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Bible Passage of the Month

Hebrews 12:8-10

If you are not disciplined—and everyone undergoes discipline—then you are not legitimate, not true sons and daughters at all. ⁹Moreover, we have all had human fathers who disciplined us and we respected them for it. How much more should we submit to the Father of spirits and live! ¹⁰They disciplined us for a little while as they thought best; but God disciplines us for our good, in order that we may share in his holiness.

For all our fathers, no matter if you are a father by birth or a father of the heart. We celebrate you.

Dad's Hands

Dad's hands were king-size and strong.

With his hands, he built our home and fixed all the broken things.
Dad's hands gave generously, served humbly, and loved mom tenderly,
unselfishly, completely, unendingly.

With his hands, Dad held me when I was small, steadied me when I
stumbled, and guided me in the right direction.

When I needed help, I could always count on Dad's hands.
Sometimes Dad's hands corrected me, disciplined me, shielded me,
rescued me.

Dad's hands protected me.

Dad's hand held mine when he walked me down the aisle. His hand
gave me to my forever love, who, not surprisingly, is very much like
Dad.

Dad's hands were the instruments of his great big, rugged-tender heart.

Dad's hands were strength.

Dad's hands were love.

With his hands he praised God.

And he prayed to the Father with those big hands.

Dad's hands. They were like Jesus' hands to me.

By Mary Fairchild

Communion

Communion will be observed June 4 at both services.

Prayer Time

The church Worship Center (sanctuary) will be open for prayer Mondays from 8:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. There will be **no** prayer time on June 26.

S.A.L.T. Events

We go on Tuesday, June 6, at 1:00 p.m. for Booth Brothers, Greater Vision, and Legacy V at Blue Gate Performing Arts Center in Shipshewana. Betty Busman will hand out tickets and a map to dinner at the event center lobby at 12:30 p.m. On Saturday, June 10, we will see the Metropolitan Choir concert (freewill offering taken) and have dinner (cost on your own) at the Christian Reformed Conference Grounds. The church bus leaves at 4:30 p.m.

VBS

VBS will be June 26-30. This will be a great week to “Shine Jesus’ Light.” VBS is for all kids ages 4-5th grade. This will be in the evening this year. We can’t do VBS without volunteers! If you would like to volunteer, please talk to Bethany Courson.

Fall Kick Off

Save the date of Sunday, September 10, for our annual Fall Kick Off. This year we will be hosting a Pulled Pork Smoke-Off. If you are interested in participating or have questions, please contact Heather Smoes (heather@coopersvillereformed.com).

Men’s Retreat

Sign up now to guarantee a fun, Spirit-filled time with other men. The retreat will be at Lake Ann Camp from September 29-October 1. Cost is \$155 which includes your food and lodging. Register online at www.coopersvillereformed.com under events by August 1.

Women’s Retreat

Join us for the women’s retreat at Grace Adventures from October 13-15. Cost is \$165 and includes food and lodging. The speaker is author and teacher, Amy Siefert. Register online at www.coopersvillereformed.com under events.

Vacation Bible School

Coopersville Reformed Church

June 26-30

5:00-8:00 pm

VBS is for 4-year-olds through 5th grade in the fall.



We begin at 5 pm with a meal. Our fun will begin at 5:30 pm. This is going to be a fun-filled week where we get to “Shine Jesus’ Light.”

Pre-registration is strongly encouraged so groups can be formed! You may register your kids on our church website (www.coopersvillereformed.com/vbs-registration), or call the office at 616-837-8949.

Windswept Way by Irene Hannon is the newest addition of the Hope Harbor series. Buying a haunted house was not in Ashley Scott's plans, but when an intriguing opportunity drops into her lap after a major life setback, she finds herself trekking cross country to Hope Harbor on the Oregon coast to launch a new life. What will she find when she arrives? What could go wrong? The characters struggle with heavy and very real problems, and yet despite all the emotions that will tumble in your heart as you read, you are left feeling lighter as the author fills you with hope, love, and faith. This book, like the others in the Hope Harbor series, can be read as a stand-alone story. But I think you will enjoy the story even more if you have already met Charley the artist/taco chef/adviser, his friends Floyd and Gladys, a couple of friendly clerics, and other returning characters who call Hope Harbor home.

The Cairo Curse by Pepper Basham, a Freddie and Grace Mystery. Newlyweds Lord and Lady Astley have already experienced their fair-share of suspense, but when a honeymoon trip takes a detour to the mystical land of Egypt, not even Grace with her fiction-loving mind is prepared for the dangers in store. From an assortment of untrustworthy adventure-seekers to a newly discovered tomb with a murderous secret, Frederick and Grace must lean on each other to navigate their dangerous surroundings. As the suspects mount in an antiquities' heist of ancient proportions, will Frederick and Grace's attempts to solve the mystery lead to another death among the sands? (Description from back cover of book)

What was it like to encounter Jesus face-to-face? How would he have made you feel, changed your way of thinking about God? Would he have turned your world upside down? When you read Jerry Jenkin's account of **The Chosen: I Have Called You by Name**, it will feel like a refreshing transfusion that restores life to the people of the Bible and to its redemptive story. You will feel like you are there. You will hear the Messiah call YOU by name. (Taken from the book jacket)

The Metropolitan Affair by Jocelyn Green is set during the Roaring Twenties. The High Society of New York are extremely interested in all things Egyptian after the discovery of King Tut's Tomb. An excellent forger is preying on this interest. Dr. Lauren Westlake is the assistant curator of Egyptology for the Metropolitan Museum of Art. Detective Joe Caravello needs the expert eye and knowledge of Dr. Lauren to help him track the criminal. Will they be able to work together and stop this art fraud? There are several layers of deception from a variety of characters that will keep you guessing until the last chapters. (Review by Norene Sattler)

Birthday Celebrations

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- 1 Kyle Castenholz, Riley Leach
 - 2 Travis Cheadle, Rick Draft, Nate Mihalek
 - 3 T.J. Leach
 - 4 Rylee Lamsma
 - 5 John VanDoorn
 - 6 Joel Annen, Kendall Lemmen, Diane North
 - 7 Andrew Powers, Heather Smoes, Lisa VanDonkelaar
 - 8 Mark Baker, Chad Busman
 - 10 Maxine Bowman, Lucas Budai, Tony Tubbs, Autumn VanDonkelaar
 - 11 Nathan Bassette, Travis Rosel, Annie Sietsema
 - 12 Ashlynd Maki
 - 14 Theresa Vander Ark
 - 15 Jalyne Ferguson, Eric Lillibridge
 - 17 John Clauson, Judah Zimmerman
 - 18 Annaliese Mey
 - 20 Ann Timmer
 - 21 Matthew Langlois, Heather Mekkes, Dylan Schoolcraft, Travis Van Den Brink
 - 22 Wade Wiltenburg
 - 23 Sybrant Walt
 - 25 Taylor Lamsma, Callyn Neumann
 - 26 Jeremy Brookhouse, Joseph Heinz
 - 27 Janyce Engle
 - 28 Sybren Bakker, Justin Bennink, Onna DeVries
 - 29 Westin Courson, Mikaedam Knoll, Carol Riemersma
 - 30 Dylan Visser, Dylan Worrell

Servant's Page

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Nursery & Little Tykes

The current Nursery & Little Tykes schedule is posted by the women's bathroom in the lower level of church. This is updated regularly to accommodate changes due to illness and vacations.

Greeters

| | | Back of Sanctuary | Lobby |
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| June 4 | 9:00 a.m. | Jim & Kris Van Huis | Jim & Stacey Hanenburg |
| June 11 | 9:00 a.m. | Wes & Bonnie Busman | Ron & Beth Veldman |
| June 18 | 9:00 a.m. | Rodney & LeaAnn Tibbe | Scott & Tami Schoolcraft |
| June 25 | 9:00 a.m. | Tom & Diane Rozema | Jon & Shelly Visser |

Coffee Fellowship

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| June 4 | Lynda Johnson, Sheri Busman, Deb Mauk, Marcia Draft, Kalene Sietsema |
| June 11 | Beth Mast, Beth Baron, Jan Jordan, Mary Bialas, Michelle Segel |
| June 18 | Tracy Kooistra, Lisa Wiltenburg, Jody Baker, Evonne Erhorn |
| June 25 | LeaAnn Tibbe, Kalene Sietsema, Karen Lemmen, Carol Riemersma, Julie Palma, Amanda Casler |

Calendar of Events

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June 2023

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | | | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 4 9:00 am Worship 10:45 am Worship | 5 8 am-7 pm Prayer Time in Sanctuary | 6 6:00-7:00 am Rooted in Prayer 1:00 pm S.A.L.T. Event | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 Kids Hope Fishing Day 4:30 pm S.A.L.T. Event |
| 11 9:00 am Worship 10:45 am Worship | 12 8 am-7 pm Prayer Time in Sanctuary | 13 6:00-7:00 am Rooted in Prayer | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 |
| 18 <i>Father's Day</i> 9:00 am Worship 10:45 am Worship | 19 8 am-7 pm Prayer Time in Sanctuary | 20 6:00-7:00 am Rooted in Prayer | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 |
| | | | | Crossroads Summer Trip | | |
| 25 9:00 am Worship 10:45 am Worship | 26 | 27 6:00-7:00 am Rooted in Prayer | 28 | 29 | 30 | |
| | Vacation Bible School | | | | | |

Church Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

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