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COOPERSVILLE REFORMED CHURCH



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This year as we gather to celebrate Thanksgiving, let's remember to celebrate the greatest gift of all—salvation through the Lord Jesus Christ. Here are 17 Bible verses to help you reflect on the abundant blessings of God. *Please note that all Bible verses are from the NIV unless otherwise noted.*

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

Psalm 103:1-4

Praise the LORD, my soul; all my inmost being, praise His holy name. Praise the LORD, my soul, and forget not all His benefits — who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit and crowns you with love and compassion.

Colossians 2:6-7 (NKJV)

As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him, rooted and built up in Him and established in the faith, as you have been taught, abounding in it with thanksgiving.

Isaiah 12:4-5 (NASB)

And on that day you will say, "Give thanks to the LORD, call on His name. Make known His deeds among the peoples; make them remember that His name is exalted." Praise the LORD in song, for He has done glorious things; let this be known throughout the earth.

James 1:17

Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows.

1 Chronicles 16:34 (ESV)

Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good; for His steadfast love endures forever!

Hebrews 12:28

Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe, for our "God is a consuming fire."

Psalm 95:1-5 (NKJV)

Oh come, let us sing to the LORD! Let us shout joyfully to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving; let us shout joyfully to Him with psalms. For the LORD is the great God, and the great King above all gods. In His hand are the deep places of the earth' the heights of the hills are His also. The sea is His, for He made it; and His hands formed the dry land.

Philippians 4:4-7

Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Psalm 118:24 (ESV)

This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Colossians 3:15-17

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts. And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.

1 Chronicles 29:13 (NKJV)

"Now therefore, our God, we thank You and praise Your glorious name."

Enhesians 5:18-20 (NASB)

... but be filled with the Spirit, speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody with your hearts to the Lord; always giving thanks for all things in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to our God and Father.

Psalm 107:1-3 (ESV)

Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good, for His steadfast love endures forever! Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, whom He has redeemed from trouble and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

Psalm 119:1-8

Blessed are those whose ways are blameless, who walk according to the law of the LORD.

Blessed are those who keep His statutes and seek Him with all their heart — they do no wrong but follow His ways. You have laid down precepts that are to be fully obeyed. Oh, that my ways were steadfast in obeying your decrees! Then I would not be put to shame when I consider all your commands.

I will praise you with an upright heart as I learn your righteous laws. I will obey your decrees; do not utterly forsake me.



30 Days of Fasting at CRC

Fasting is a spiritual discipline that we are called to participate in throughout the Scriptures. According to the Bible, fasting means to voluntarily reduce or eliminate your intake of food for a specific time and purpose. Jesus calls us to fast as His people but the heart behind our fasting is very important. You can find the daily calendar on our website.

Fall Retreat

Our Crossroads Youth Group will be at a fall retreat November 4-6. Please keep this group in your prayers.

Thanksgiving Service

We will be having our annual Thanksgiving Service on Wednesday, November 23, at 7 pm. Come and prepare your hearts to give thanks to our Lord.

Toys For Tots

We will be collecting toys until December 2. Bring an unwrapped brand new toy to donate. Look for the box in the lobby.

Family Celebration

The Annual Congregational Meeting (Family Celebration) will take place on Monday, December 5. We will begin with a catered meal at 6:00 p.m. Childcare will be available following the meal. Please RSVP for the dinner so we have an accurate count and if you need childcare. We will then have a time of worship and celebrations after which you will have the opportunity to approve the proposed 2023 general budget and vote on nominees for Elder and Deacon. Anyone may attend the Family Celebration. Only communicant members (age 18 and older) of Coopersville Reformed Church are eligible to vote.

W.O.W.

Our Worship on Wednesday (W.O.W.) continues from 6:00-8:00 p.m. All kids ages 4-5th grade are welcome to join us for a time of worship, fun, and most importantly, learning about Jesus.

S.A.L.T. Events

On Friday, December 9, we will go to a 3 Heath Brothers concert and dinner at the Christian Reformed Conference Grounds. December 30 will be our annual Christmas party in the Activity Center.

Women's Quilt Group

The Women's Quilt Group is up and running for the season. We get together from 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. We meet the second Friday of the month in the Activity Center. Come and go as your schedule permits to sew, knit, and crochet for missions.

Coopersville Blood Drives

Coopersville Blood Drives are at Coopersville United Methodist Church, 105 68th Ave. N, Coopersville, MI!

- 4th Tuesdays every month 1:30-7:00 p.m.
- 2nd Friday of even months 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Next drives: November 22, December 9, and December 27. We need YOU! and bring a buddy to donate with you.













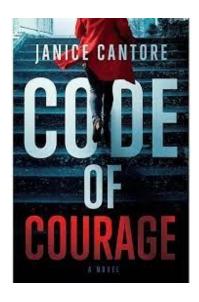


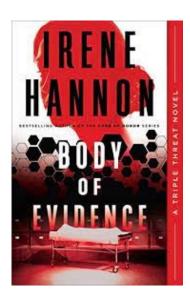


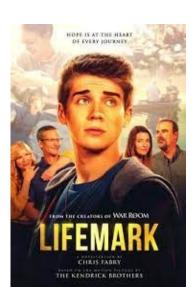
<u>Code of Courage</u> by Janice Cantore (fiction) Detective Danni Grace has never met a police officer who wants to face a scenario where pulling the trigger on another person is the only option. When the worst does occur and there's a police-involved shooting, it leads to riots and calls to disband the entire police force in La Rosa, Danni's hometown. After fifteen years on the force, Danni has had enough. Injured in the line of duty when a protester throws a chunk of concrete at her and shaken by the vitriol being shown to the police, Danni realizes for the first time that she's lost her passion for the job. While she's on a leave of absence, though, a community activist in La Rosa is shot and a fellow officer is blamed for his murder. Taking on this case means stepping back into a job Danni's not sure she can do anymore . . . and working closely with her ex-husband, Gabriel Fox, an investigator for the city prosecutor's office. Danni will need to tap into her code of courage to uncover the truth, prevent another injustice, and uphold her oath to serve and protect. (Publisher promo)

Body of Evidence by Irene Hannon is book three in the Triple Threat Series. Irene is a master storyteller, and this book does not disappoint. I thought I knew shortly into the mystery who the murderer was, but I was so wrong. Well played red herrings are so appreciated. The solution didn't come by popping a new or obscure character into that role at the last minute, also greatly appreciated. The story included some sweet romance, but it did not overpower the suspense element. While it is the third book of a series, Body of Evidence works well as a stand-alone read. (Review from Christian Book)

<u>Lifemark</u>, a novelization by Chris Fabry. Based on the motion picture by The Kendrick Brothers. This book and movie are inspired by a true story of adoption, redemption, and hope. Melissa has clung to the thin thread of hope given by the adoption agency that someday her newborn son might want to connect with her. When his eighteenth birthday arrives, she calls the agency to simply update her contact information, not expecting a response. For eighteen years, she's tried to believe she made the right decision – for him. But if she never sees him again, how can she ever be sure?







Birthday Celebrations

- 1 Hannah Mast, Carter Poliski, Charlotte Ribnicky, Daniel Schippers
- 2 Sue Breuker, Mason Hanenburg
- 3 Aiden Courson, Loren Courson, Chloe Russell
- 4 Janet Van Ryswyk, Karen Vander Jagt
- 5 Savannah Karr, Scott Schoolcraft
- 8 Avah Chatman, Megan Vander Kolk
- 9 Dan Grit, Danielle Terpstra, Madeline Visser
- 10 Steve Baird
- 11 Angel Grit
- 14 Allison Steadman
- 15 Ranea Cushway, Aaron TerBeek, Johanna Van Dop
- 16 Waylon DeMull, Christie Hill, Pam Klinge
- 17 JoAnn Boom
- 18 Mayerick Chatman
- 19 Ginny Sietsema
- 20 T.J. Baron, Norah McEachen
- 23 Lauren North
- 24 Coralee VanDenBrink
- 25 Jo Anne Hewitt, Brian Tibbe, Jim Van Huis, Evan Vander Kolk
- 26 Terry Sattler
- 27 Sydney VanTimmeren
- 28 Melodee Bergy, Mike Reynolds
- 29 Mikey Budai, Sienna Hines
- 30 Bob Serba, Lois Van Wienen, Lee Vander Kolk

Servant's Page

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Nursery

The current nursery 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.

Little Tykes

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9:00 a.m. Greeters

November 6	Jim & Stacey Hanenburg, Jon & Shelly Visser
November 13	Ron & Beth Veldman, Charlie & Bonnie Vander Kolk
November 20	Jeff Alberda, Jan Jordan
November 27	Randy & Coralee VanDenBrink, Nichole Heinz

Coffee Fellowship

November 6	Deb Mauk, Lynda Johnson, Marcia Draft, Mary Bialas
November 13	Beth Mast, Amanda Casler, Jan Jordan, Norma Busman
November 20	Heather Smoes, Kalene Sietsema, Evonne Erhorn, Carolyn Cushway
November 27	Ron & Carol Riemersma, Julie Palma, Karen Lemmen, Christie Hill

November 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		I 6:00-7:00 am Rooted in Prayer	2	3	4	5
		7:00 pm Choir of Praise Practice	6:00 pm W.O.W. 6:30 pm Cuddle Up Time 6:45 pm The Vineyard		Crossroads Fall Retreat	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
9:00 am Worship 10:45 am Worship		6:00-7:00 am Rooted in Prayer			9:00 am-2:00 pm Women's Work Bee	
6-8 pm Women's Bible Study 7-8:30 pm One Way	7:30 pm Consistory Meeting	7:00 pm Choir of Praise Practice	6:00 pm W.O.W. 6:30 pm Cuddle Up Time 6:45 pm The Vineyard			
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20	21	22	23	24	25	26
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5-6:30 pm Crossroads 6-8 pm Women's Bible Study 7-8:30 pm One Way		7:00 pm Choir of Praise Practice	7:00 p.m. Thanksgiving Service	Office Closed		
27	28	29	30			
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		7.00	6:00 pm W.O.W. 6:30 pm Cuddle Up Time 6:45 pm The			
NO Youth Groups		7:00 pm Choir of Praise Practice	Vineyard			

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

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