



## Highlights March 18, 2018

### Calendar for the Week

- TODAY**
- Choir Practice, 8:15 a.m.
  - Morning Worship with Pastor Dan, 9:30 a.m.
  - Mission of the Month Offering: Mission Opportunity Fund
  - Sunday School, 10:50 a.m. (with Pastor Dan, info on back)
  - "Essentials Class," 5-7 p.m. (at church)
  - Journey High, 5:30 p.m.
- Monday**
- Beth Moore Study Group, 6:45 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.
- Tuesday**
- Young at Heart, LaRue's at 9:30 a.m.
  - Deacon Meeting, 6 p.m.
  - Consistory Meeting, 7 p.m.
- Wednesday**
- Prayer Group, 9:30 a.m.
  - Midweek Classes, 6:15 p.m. (info on back)
  - Journey Mid, 6:15 p.m.
- Next Sunday**
- Palm Sunday
  - Choir Practice, 8:15 a.m.
  - Morning Worship, 9:30 a.m.
  - Sunday School, 10:50 a.m. (in Sanctuary)
  - CPR/First Aid Training Session, 10:50 a.m. (in Fellowship Hall)
  - Journey High, 5:30 p.m.
- Coming Up**
- Pinewood Derby with Dinner, 3/28 starting at 5:30 p.m.
  - Maundy Thursday Service, 3/29 at 7 p.m. (communion)
  - Good Friday Service, 3/30 at 6:30 p.m.

### Coming Up @ Hope Church

Hope Church invites all of you, your family, friends and neighbors to join us for an Easter Celebration on April 1st! The Easter Worship Service will begin at 10:30 a.m. following a Community Pancake Breakfast at 9:30 am. Please spread the word, all are invited!

### Prayers and Praises

Our sympathy is extended to the Charles family on the passing of Arlene Doot on Wednesday, March 14. Visitation will be today from 2-4 p.m., and also tomorrow (Monday) at 9 a.m. at Langelands on 9th Street. The funeral service will follow at 10 a.m. with a luncheon after.

Visitation for Joe Mejeur will be held tomorrow (Monday) at 11 a.m. with a Memorial Service at 12 noon, with a luncheon here at Hope Church.

**Continued prayers for:** Karen Otten, Irene Fraaza, Jake Zuidema, Mary Anne Schiedel, Ev VanDonselaar, Don DeWolf, June Schaap, Julie Bos, Jim Loedeman, Helen Roglic, Chuck Harmon, Becky Nap, Dave Collison, Gideon Schripsema.

#### Weekly Volunteers

##### Greeters

N: Ken & Kelly Milliman  
S: Don & Nancy VanDonselaar

##### Greeters Next Week

N: Steve & Amy Vlietstra  
S: Craig & Dara Bosker

##### Ushers

Rob VanderWeele, Ken Larsen,  
Tom Musk, Don VanDonselaar

##### Elder Greeters

Shauna Collison, Heather Offringa,  
Rick Wielopolski, Don VanLandegent

##### Nursery

McKenzie Bronsink, Nicole  
Cody, Bethany Brown

##### Nursery Next Week

Becca Gillam, Jenelle Poth,  
Sue VanderMeer

##### Children & Worship

Pat MacQueen

##### Children & Worship Next Wk.

Meg Sanders

Giving Report for: 3/11

#### General/Mission Fund

##### **Received**

\$4,875.00

##### **Budgeted**

\$7,035.60

#### Mortgage Retirement

##### **Received for the Week**

\$250.00

##### **Needed for Next Payment**

(April 15)

\$5,468.85

##### **Monthly Payment**

\$5,468.85



## Announcements

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I would like to thank everyone for the delicious meals and words of encouragement regarding my recent broken wrist and surgery. It was greatly appreciated and just what we needed during this transition time.

Thanks again, Gloria

Today is the final day to purchase Easter flowers in memory or in honor of loved ones. Flowers are \$7 each and you can take them home after worship on Easter. See Susan Williams in the Fellowship Hall after worship today to order or if you have questions.

Hope Church will be holding a Maundy Thursday Service on Thursday, March 29 at 7 p.m. called "Walking the Road to Calvary." Communion will be served.

Hope Church will be hosting a Good Friday Service led by other area churches, North Bridge, City Gate, and Good Shepherd on Friday, March 30 at 6:30 p.m. All are invited to attend. It will be a traditional service.

**Great opportunity to serve!** Our congregation is so blessed to have the Safi family worship with us each week. They have been in the US for 2 years now and are doing very well with the huge adjustments involved since moving to Kalamazoo. As you can imagine, there are still difficulties and hurdles for them to overcome. Here are some areas of need that our congregation can help with:

1. The 2 oldest girls, Meri and Apliona, could use some regular tutoring with their school work. Someone available once a week would be great. They are both in high school.
2. Occasional transportation assistance during the day is needed to bring Jolie or the children to doctor appointments.
3. The family could also use someone to help screen their mail for any Medicaid notifications from the Department of Health and Human Services and help the family respond to DHHS when needed.

For additional information or to express interest in helping with any of these needs, please fill out an Interest Card located in your pew. FYI, you do not need to speak Swahili to be of assistance. Thank you!

**Midweek Class:** John Beeman will continue teaching the midweek class on "Understanding God's Will for Your Life" Wednesday, March 21. Class begins at 6:15 p.m. See you there!

**Young at Heart will be meeting at LaRue's for brunch on Tuesday, March 20 at 9:30 a.m.** Please sign up on the lobby table to attend!

**Former missionary, Rev. Dave Zomer, will be installed as Pastor at Bethany Reformed tonight at 5:30 p.m.** A light dinner will follow. All are invited!

**Great Learning Opportunity for All:** Pastor Dan will continue to lead the Adult Sunday School Class this week. If you were not present at the previous sessions, the elders strongly encourage you to listen to the presentations posted on our website and download the printed material, or stop by the library and ask for a CD and printed material.

TODAY: "*Generational Differences and their Impact on Church Life*"

On alternate Sundays, the regular format of sermon discussion will continue. So you are encouraged to carve out some time and make as many of these sessions as possible. The next session is April 15.

**Coming up on March 25, immediately following the Sunday morning service, there will be an Infant CPR/First aid training session for all nursery volunteers and anyone else who would like to join us in the Fellowship Hall.** The class will be taught by Laura Strunk. This is not a certification class, but the information will be very important to anyone who cares for infant/toddlers in any setting. Come join us!

**The Congregational Care Team is looking for volunteers to assist in meeting the needs of our church family.** If you can occasionally provide a meal, transportation to an appointment, help with house cleaning/laundry, yard work, occasionally baby sit, offer pet care, or have other 'skills' you can share, please fill out the "Interest" card in the pew and drop it in the offering plate or box at the Connection Center.