



Song-of-the-Week

How conscious are we and our children that we are in a serious conflict with a three-fold enemy? As David wrote in Psalm 35, we need the Lord to defend us. Rejoice with the children about the wonder of our salvation by singing Psalter #92 with the children this week.

1. Be Thou my helper in the strife, O Lord, my strong defender be;
Thy mighty shield protect my life, Thy spear confront the enemy.
Amid the conflict, O my Lord, Thy precious promise let me hear,
The faithful reassuring word: I am thy Saviour, do not fear.
3. My soul is joyful in the Lord, in His salvation I rejoice;
To Him my heart will praise accord and bless His Name with thankful voice.
For who, O Lord, is like to Thee, defender of the poor and meek?
The needy Thy salvation see when mighty foes their ruin seek.

Friends & Family Night

All of the students will be participating in the events of Friends & Family Night on Friday evening, **March 20**. The evening will begin at 7 p.m. all together in the gymnasium and then there will be classroom presentations that deal with the fine arts until 9 p.m.

March is Reading Month

Please encourage your children to read, read, read! School has provided several opportunities to help promote reading. The Iditaread begins this week (please turn in your forms if you have not already), there is also the Whitecaps' promotion, and the activities that were listed in last week's memo. This Friday, students are encouraged to wear a pair of comfy "reading" slippers at school.

Band Solo/Ensemble

This year's solo and ensemble festival is next Thursday, March 19 at Hope School. Students should be signed up and practicing their songs. A full schedule will be posted on the school website next Monday.

Attention 8th Grade Parents

Mr. Noorman visited school and passed out packets to the 8th graders last week. Covenant Christian High School will host a meeting for parents of 8th grade students who would like more information about scheduling packet and the process for signing up for classes for next year. The meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 18 at 7:00 p.m. in the library at Covenant. Note that the meeting is Wednesday the 18th, not Thursday as stated in the packet. The completed forms should be returned to the 8th grade teacher or school office by March 25.

Have you started your art?

HEARTPRIZE 2020
April 24 & 25

It will be here before we know it!

Entry forms are available in the school office and on the school website, www.hopeprcschool.org.



School Circle News

Hot Lunch / Cupcake Sale - March 11

Hot Lunch: Hot Dogs/BBQ - Deb Feenstra, Kara K, Jori K, Carla L, Jori L, Kelly L, Mary L

Cupcakes provided by: Julie R, Cheri R, Erin R, Laura R, Jenn S, Sara S, Julie S, Sarah S, Cindy S, Julie VB, Erika VDT (Please have 24 cupcakes to school by 9 am. Thank you!)

Catering - Volunteers Needed

Hope School catering is looking for some serving and kitchen help for upcoming events. Please sign up using this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0949AEAD2CABFB6-wedding> or text Elaine at 616 420-1446.

Requested Announcements

The Heritage Christian School Spring Children's Clothing and Toy Sale will be held on Saturday, March 14 from 9am - 12:00. Items for sale include infant to teen clothing, outdoor/indoor toys, books, games, shoes and sandals, sports equipment, baby gear, maternity, and more. Delicious baked goods are also for sale! Located in the large gym at Heritage Christian at 6340 Autumn Dr., Hudsonville. Hope to see you there!

The Byron Center Young People would like to invite you to join them for their fundraising event "Joyful Praise with One Accord". The program will be held on Saturday, March 14 at 7 PM at Byron Center PRC. The feature of the night is the male quartet, One Accord, and there will be a few special numbers by the young people as well. A freewill offering will be taken to help offset the costs of the YP convention to be held this summer at Lake Williamson (Carlinville, IL). Refreshments will be served after the program. We hope you can join us!

Please plan to join the Southwest Young People's Society for a pancake breakfast on Saturday, **March 21**. Breakfast will be held at the Southwest Protestant Reformed Church from 8:00 - 10:30 am. Proceeds will benefit the 2020 Young People's Convention at Lake Williamson in Carlinville, Illinois.

The Holland Young People will have a Breakfast fundraiser on Sat March 28 from 7:00-10:00 am at Holland Church. Breakfast will be served "restaurant style" from a variety of popular menu options, and served hot to your table. Please mark your calendars and plan to join us! Donation proceeds will be used for our 2020 convention costs.

SW Young Peoples Softball Tournament: Sign your team up now to play in our annual softball tournament on May 23rd, 2020. It will once again be held at Whistlestop Park in Byron Center. We are looking for youth (14-18) and men's teams to participate. Cost is \$275 for men's and \$100 for youth teams. Deadline to sign up is April 20th. Email southwestsoftball@gmail.com to sign up or text Sarah Stange at 616-432-0276 with any questions that you may have. We look forward to another great turnout this year!