



**Song-of-the-Week**

Ask the children to list characteristics of the children of God who abide with Him in His tabernacle. Then compare their answers to the 12 characteristics listed in Psalm 15. Sing Psalter #24 "Tests of Christian Character" with the children this week.

1. Who, O Lord, with Thee abiding, in Thy house shall by Thy guest?  
Who, his feet to Zion turning, in Thy holy hill shall rest?  
He that ever walks uprightly, does the right without a fear,  
When he speaks, he speaks not lightly, but with truth and love sincere.
2. He that slanders not his brother, does no evil to a friend;  
To reproaches of another, he refuses to attend.  
Wicked men win not his favor, but the good who fear the Lord;  
From his vow he will not waver, though it bring him sad reward.
3. Freely to the needy lending, no excess he asks again;  
And the innocent befriending, he desires not praise of men.  
Doing this, and evil spurning, he shall nevermore be moved:  
This the man with Thee sojourning, this the man by Thee approved.

**Athletics**

**Boys' Baseball** – Coach: Brad VanderVeen (616-610-5289)

Tuesday, March 25	Practice	3:30-5:15 pm
Thursday, March 27	Practice	3:30-5:15 pm
Saturday, March 29	Practice	2-4 pm

**Girls' Soccer** – Coach: Deb Feenstra (616-706-8834)

Tuesday, March 25	Practice	3:15-5 pm
Friday, March 28	Practice	3:15-5 pm

*Full season schedules are posted on the school website  
hopeprcschool.org.*

**Athletic Director (AD)**

The search is on for a new AD for the 2025-26 school year. Those interested should contact Mr. Koole to discuss the position and the duties that accompany it.

**Choir Director Position Available**

The School Board is seeking applicants for the 4-6<sup>th</sup> & Jr. High choir director position for the 2025-26 school year. The 4-6<sup>th</sup> choir meets once a week and the Jr. High choir meets twice a week. Those interested in this opportunity should contact Steve Langerak, Education Committee Chairman - [langeraкмasonry@gmail.com](mailto:langeraкмasonry@gmail.com) for more information.

**Reading Month Updates**

This is the last week of reading month – there is only one more check in after today. Please make sure you submit reading minutes on Thursday by 10AM. This is the most important check-in so far! Winners of the pizza party will be notified on Thursday! Reminder: Friday is wear a shirt with words day.

**Chapel**

The 8<sup>th</sup> grade invite all to their chapel this Wednesday, March 26, at 8:30 am. Rev. N. Decker has agreed to speak.

**Report Cards**

Report cards will come home with the children (K-3) this Wednesday DV. Please check your child(ren)'s progress, sign the cards, and return them in a timely fashion.

**Spring Break and Early Dismissal**

There will be no school on Monday, April 7 through Friday, April 11. School will dismiss at 2 pm on Friday, April 4.

**Hope Classic Races**

The 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Hope Classic Races are scheduled for Saturday, May 24 (Saturday before Memorial Day). Have you started your training for the 5K or 1 mile runs? Watch for registration after spring break. Sponsor requests were recently sent out. If you know of a business which would be willing to sponsor or if individuals would like to sponsor, please contact Mr. Koole soon.

**Mark Your Calendars**

April 21	Annual School Society Meeting – 7:30 PM
April 23	Kindergarten Program (Hope PRC) – 7:00 PM
May 1	Elementary Music Program, Grades 1 <sup>st</sup> -3 <sup>rd</sup> Hope School Gym – 7:00 PM
May 8	Bands/Choirs Concert, Grades 4 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> Hope School gym – 7:00 PM

**School Circle News**

**Hot Lunch / Snack Sale – March 26**

**Hot Lunch: Burgers** Servers (please be to school by 11 am): Carrie Meulenberг, Leah W, Lydia B, Erin C, Stephanie DB

**Snacks provided by junior high students:** Keira W, Zach B, Elizabeth DB, Cole D, Bri F, Cole F, Jamon H, Quinton H, Wyatt J (Please have 24 homemade, prepackaged snacks to the school kitchen by 9am. Thank you!)

**TRIP**

TRIP will be sold every Tuesday morning from 8:15-9:00 AM in the classroom to the right at the bottom of the ramp. Please contact Sharla Moelker at 791-6091 with any questions.

**Requested Announcements**

**Restaurant Style Breakfast:** Holland PRC young people are hosting a made to order breakfast **this Saturday, March 29 from 7:30-10:30AM** at our church. Come enjoy omelets, hash browns, Belgian waffles, homemade cinnamon rolls, and many other items made hot and fresh for you! Reservations are required for large groups and preferred for all others, however walk-ins are welcome. To make a reservation call or text Laura Dykstra at 616-836-2418.