

Monday, April 28, 2025 ~ Volume 78, Issue 32

Song-of-the-Week

The first half of Psalm 19 tells the marvelous works of God in creation, especially in the heavens. Declare with the creation the glory of God by singing Psalter #37 with the children this week.

- The spacious heav'ns declare the glory of our God, The firmament displays His handiwork abroad; Day unto day proclaims His might And night His wisdom tells to night.
- 2. Aloud thy do not speak, they utter forth no word, Nor into language break their voice is never heard; Yet through the world the truth they bear And their Creator's pow'r declare.
- 4. His daily going forth is from the end of heav'n; The firmament to him is for his circuit giv'n; His journey reaches to its ends, And ev'rywhere his heat extends.

Athletics

Boys' Baseball – Coach:	Brad VanderVeen (616-610-5289)	
Monday, April 28	at Heritage Chr. (8)	4 pm
Wednesday, April 30	Home vs. Byron Center Chr.	4 pm
Friday, May 2	at Heritage Chr. (7)	4 pm
Tuesday, May 6	at Hudsonville Chr. (7)	4 pm
Girls' Soccer – Coach: Deb Feenstra (616-706-8834)		
Tuesday, April 29	at Hudsonville Chr. (8)	4 pm
Thursday, May 1	at Jenison Chr.	4 pm
Monday, May 5	at Hudsonville Chr. (7)	4 pm
Tuesday, May 6	at Dutton Chr.	4 pn
	(South Christian HS field)	

New Athletic Director

Mr. Andy Bylsma has agreed to serve as Athletic Director for next year.

7th Grade Volleyball Coach

Anyone interested in coaching 7th grade volleyball in the fall, please contact Mr. Koole.

Financial Drive

The spring financial drive is underway. Drive information letters were placed in church mailboxes recently. If you did not receive a letter and desire to support the drive, please contact the school office. A balance of \$127,909 needs to be collected in this drive to meet the approved budgeted amount. Prayerfully consider this need and give as you are able by May 5.

Choir Director Position Available

The School Board is seeking applicants for the 4-6th & Jr. High choir director position for the 2025-26 school year. The 4-6th 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 - <u>langerakmasonry@gmail.com</u> for more information.

Kindergarten Round-Up

Kindergarten Round-Up is scheduled for Thursday, May 8 at 9:30 AM in the music room.

Vacation Station Orders

Reminder: All Vacation Station orders are due TOMORROW!

The 27th Annual Hope Classic race registration is now open! The races will take place on Saturday, May 24. Go to <u>www.hopeprcschool.org/classic</u> to view details and register to run or walk in the 5K or 1 mile races. The deadline to register and receive a free shirt is May 10.

Elementary Music Program

Hope School's $1^{st} - 3^{rd}$ grade students will present their 32^{nd} annual program in the gym this Thursday, May 1 beginning at 7 PM.

MAP Assessments

The students in $3^{rd} - 8^{th}$ will be taking the 3^{rd} round of MAP Assessments the week of May 5. Please see to it that the students are well rested and limit appointments if possible. Results of these assessments will accompany the end of the year report cards.

Band/Choir Concert

The band and choirs will present a concert on Thursday, May 8 in the school gym starting at 7 PM. This will include the $4^{th}-6^{th}$ grade choir, the $7^{th}-8^{th}$ grade choir, the 5^{th} grade band, and the $6-8^{th}$ grade band.

Chapel

The sixth grade invites you to their chapel scheduled for next Friday, May 9 at 8:30AM. Prof. R. Dykstra has agreed to speak.

Many Thanks

We express our heart-felt thanks to all who made the open house Saturday for "our" retirement a heartwarming event. Thanks to the committee for making arrangements and to all who attended the open house. We are humbled by the many expressions of thanks and words of encouragement. It has been and is a great privilege to work in the service of God's covenant. – Ron & Sherry Koole

School Circle News

Hot Lunch / Snack Sale - April 30

Hot Lunch: Pizza Servers (please be to school by 11 am): Alyssa Huizinga, Amber G, Cherith G, Andra H, Anna H

<u>Snacks provided by Jr. High Students:</u> Charlotte M, Sadie M, Nolan M, Alex O, Deakin P, Anthony Q, Trevor R, Alexa S, Reeve S (Please have 24 homemade, prepackaged snacks to the school kitchen by 9am. Thank you!)

Motman's Fundraiser

Motman's is giving 25% of our sales back to school. This is a great way to support Hope School and a local business. You only have a few weeks left to get your gift cards. Contact Deb Hoeksema with any questions.

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.

See the requested announcements on the back \rightarrow

Requested Announcements

8th graders interested in learning about Robotics at CCHS are invited to the robotics house on Saturday, May 10th, from 5:00–7:30 PM for robots and pizza! The CCHS team will be there to talk about the new game, which is scheduled to be unveiled at VEX Worlds that week, and to start planning new robot designs for the 2025–26 season. The first 15 minutes will be a presentation about Robotics at CCHS. Parents are encouraged to stay for the overview and then return to pick up students at 7:30 PM. Please email <u>cchsrobochargers@gmail.com</u> to let us know you are interested or if you have any questions. The robotics house is located at the corner by the entrance to Covenant (4545 Fenwood St).

CCHS Boys Basketball Camp: June 9-12 (Grades 3-8): This camp is open to boys going into 3rd-8th grades (Fall 2025). Due to the PRCA 100th Anniversary and the ongoing construction at Covenant, we are moving the camp to Heritage Christian. To sign up, please go to: <u>covenantchristianathletics.bigteams.com/main/campsclinics</u> and click on the 2025 boys basketball camp link. The deadline to sign up is May 15. There is limited space, so please sign up right away.

Girls Youth Basketball Camp Registration is now open! Basketball camp for girls entering grades 3-8 & 9-12 will be Monday - Thursday, June 9-12, 2025. Dates, time & cost are listed at the top of the registration link. New this year, please register those entering 9th grade as well (grades 10-12 do not need to register). We can't wait to see you there! Please use this link to register; https://forms.gle/npw58qMiVsWRoOmD6

Girls Volleyball Camp for 4-8th grade girls will be July 28-31, 2025 at Covenant Christian High School this summer. Sign up using <u>this</u> <u>link</u>. Contact Carli Engelsma with any questions at 616-466-8660.

PRSO string summer camp for string players on June 23-27, 2024. The camp will be held at Adams Christian School in Byron Center Michigan. Elementary/middle school camp will be held in the mornings; high school/post high camp will be held in the evenings. A combined concert is planned for Friday evening, 6/27. We invite string students who are school-aged as well as adult string players. PRSO alumni and other adult string players are encouraged to consider joining us! <u>https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScl2R6emBbcat1f7WVe</u> 4MJqK5VltoBlpIY37fwY6tZtUXJvJw/viewform?usp=dialog

Join us for the 1st annual Charger Summer Baseball League for students going into 9th-12th grades this fall. Each team will be guaranteed 7 games. The games will take place on a Tuesday or Thursday the weeks of June 24, July 8, July 15, and July 22. See more information on the attached form. Sign up by May 24!! We'd love to see a good turnout. We will need about 44 kids to make this work. Sign up here: <u>https://forms.gle/gXB8nfUWVk8s7EHu6</u>

K-12th Boys/Girls Charger Soccer Camp July 14-17, 2025!. Register for the camp - <u>Soccer Camp Form</u> Payment and Registration due May 31. If you have any questions or concerns please contact Marissa Holstege at <u>marissajo29@gmail.com</u> / 616-264-1128 or Shon Griess at <u>sgriess@charter.net</u> / 616-437-7871. Due to construction, camp will be at Heritage Christian this year.

Chargers Middle School XC Team Signups are now open for 6th-8th graders for Fall 2025. We compete in 7 races throughout the fall. Our team typically consists of about 60 middle schoolers from Covenant's feeder schools. Even if you might not be able to run in all of the races, why not be one of them? You may just discover your new favorite sport or a new

friend from a different school. Please sign up at <u>https://www.covenantchristianxc.com/middleschool</u>. If you have any questions, please contact middle school XC coach Jared Kraker at <u>xcountry@hchr.org</u>.

CCHS K-9th grade Running Night Camp is scheduled for Thursday, August 7 at Covenant Christian HS. This is for all boys & girls entering K-9th grade in fall of 2025. Please sign up for this FREE event at <u>https://www.covenantchristianxc.com/middleschool</u>. If you have any questions, please contact middle school XC coach Jared Kraker at <u>xcountry@hchr.org</u>, high school XC coach Brian Kalsbeek at <u>brijenkalsbeek@gmail.com</u>, or high school T&F coach Brantley Van Overloop at <u>bvanoverloop@covenantchristianhs.org</u>.