



Song-of-the-Week

We and our children have been delivered from the folly of unbelief and released by the work of Christ from spiritual bondage. What a great deliverance! Read Psalm 53 with the children this week and joyfully sing Psalter 53B with the children.

- 1. Fools in their heart have said, there is no God of might;
Corrupt are they and base their deeds, in evil they delight.
- 4. These men of evil deeds, will they no knowledge gain,
Who feed upon my people’s woes, and prayer to God disdain?
- 6. Yea, God will put to shame and make them flee away,
For He will cast them off in wrath and fill them with dismay.
- 8. When God from distant lands His exiled ones shall bring,
His people shall exultant be, and gladly they shall sing.

Athletics

- 7th – 8th Boys’ Soccer** – Coach: Mr. Zach Koole (616-617-7952)
 - Tuesday, September 29 Home vs. Legacy Chr. 4 pm
 - Thursday, October 1 Home vs. Hudsonville (7th) 4 pm
 - Tuesday, October 6 at Adams Chr. 4 pm
- 7th Volleyball** – Coach: Miss Hannah Kamps (616-490-0430)
 - Tuesday, September 29 Home vs. Dutton Chr. (1) 4 pm
 - Thursday, October 1 Home vs. Jenison Chr. (1) 4 pm
 - Tuesday, October 6 Home vs. Heritage Chr. (2) 4 pm
- 8th Volleyball** – Coach: Miss Gayle Lotterman (616-901-1439)
 - Thursday, October 1 at Jenison Chr. (1) 4 pm
 - Tuesday, October 6 at Heritage Chr. (1) 4 pm

Note to Parents

We kindly remind parents that children attending school games should remain in the gym and under their supervision throughout the event. This practice is encouraged by the AOK League and helps maintain an enjoyable experience for everyone while supporting our teams.

School Pictures - 8th Graders

Picture forms are coming home with the 8th graders today. Here is the link to preview your 8th graders' pictures: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/jMDpe5PerqehuCue9>. On the order form please indicate for the yearbook if you would like the **1st, 2nd, or 3rd** image. You may order from a different image if you like as long as you indicate which one. Please turn your forms in at the office by **Friday, October 2**.

PTA (Parent Teacher Association)

PTA is scheduled for tomorrow, September 29 at 7:30 in the music room. We will have as our speaker Rev. William Boekestein, the author of RFPA book “Finding My Vocation.” He will speak on the topic “Raising Children of Truth in a Post-Truth Age.” We hope to see you there!

The School Circle will once again be hosting the Lend a Helping Hand table in the back of the music room at PTA. Please consider helping the teachers out in this way.

Parent/Teacher Conferences

Conferences are scheduled for October 8 and 9. School will dismiss at 2 pm on Thursday the 8th and 11:45 am on Friday the 9th. Schedules will be distributed this week.

Friday - Hope Classic T-shirt Day

In honor of the Jog-A-Thon on Friday, pull out those old Hope Classic shirts. If you have one, we’d love to see you wear it on Friday for our Jog-A-Thon!

Help Needed – Paid Position

The Building Committee is looking for someone who is interested in keeping the sidewalks around school clear of snow and ice this winter. Applicants must be 18 or older to operate motorized equipment, though individuals under 18 may also apply. Please contact Tom Huizinga at 616-862-2843 for more information.

Directory Correction

Please make this correction to your school directories: Kayli VanderKolk’s number is 616-325-9217. Thanks!

Echoes Yearbooks

The 8th graders have begun sending requests for patrons, page sponsors, and ads for the 2027 *Echoes*. If you would like to help, a form is included on the back of this note. If you would like a yearbook, please pre-order using the form on the reverse. We do not order many extras and this will guarantee you receive a copy.

School Circle News

Hot Lunch / Snack Sale – September 30

Hot Lunch: Pizza Servers (please be to school by 11 am): Leigh Kooienga, Jill Kregel, Kara K, Jori K, Mary L

Snacks provided by Jr. High students: Daniel DB, Emma D, Nicklas DV, Rielle D, Grady H, Kenzie H, Cienna J, John K (Please have 22 homemade, prepackaged snacks to the school kitchen by 9am. Thank you!)

Helping Hands - Teacher Snacks

A signup genius has been created for those who wish to provide the teachers with snacks every other Monday throughout the school year. Use the following link to sign up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0849A8A82FA2FEC52-65687230-snacks>

Jog-A-Thon Fundraiser

The Start Strong Jog-A-Thon is this Friday afternoon! Please return completed pledge forms to teachers by Wednesday, and send a water bottle with your child on Friday. Family and friends are invited to come out and cheer on our runners! The heat schedule is below:

Soccer Field	Outer Circle	Inner Circle
Heat 1 (1:10 - 1:20)		1st
Heat 2 (1:25 - 1:35)	7th	Kindergarten
Heat 3 (1:40 - 1:50)	6th	2nd
Heat 4 (1:55 - 2:05)	8th	3rd
Heat 5 (2:10 - 2:20)	5th	4th

We still need at least two more volunteers for this event. Please contact Shannon Bylsma (616-540-6039) if you’re willing to help!

Family Fun Night - Volunteer Needed

The Family Fun Night general store has one volunteer but is looking for one more to help run the general store for Family Fun Night. Please reach out to Leigh Kooienga or Cassie Van Oostenbrugge if you're willing to be added onto this committee.

Keycard Books

Do you ever go to Subway, Wendy’s, McDonalds, Russ' or Arrows? If so, the Keycard Book has a deal just waiting for you. Other participating businesses can be found at QRKeyCard.com, by looking on Hope’s website or stopping by school to peruse a book in the office. There are even Early Bird Specials. The sooner you buy your book, the more you can save. Contact Deb Hoeksema (dhoeksema@hopeprcschool.org) 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 Brenda Duncan at 616-644-5816 with any questions.

Requested Announcements

The Peer to Peer Walk was postponed until Saturday, October 10. Donuts and coffee will start at 9:30 with the walk starting at 10. The track will be open for walking as well as part of the cross country trail. We are looking forward to a great turnout in support of the Special Education program, its Board, staff, kids and families!

CCHS Senior Class would like to invite you to attend: CCHS Fall Festival Saturday, October 3 from 4:00pm-8:00pm. Come out and join us for a fun evening at the athletic complex. Dinner, games, activities for kids, and the alumni soccer game at 7pm. Seniors are selling dinner tickets \$50 per family or \$10 individually. Please reach out to your favorite senior to purchase tickets.

Fall Festival Apple Sales: The CCHS senior class will be selling half bushels of apples. Ida Red and Jonagold will be \$15 and Honeycrisp \$25. If you don't have access to a senior and would like to purchase apples, text Karen Kuiper (616-662-0948) or Rochelle VanderKolk (616-634-0711).

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The annual Heritage Christian 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament for grades 3-8 will be held on Saturday, November 7, 2026! Start getting your teams together & sign up at the following link: [HCS3on3 Sign Up](#). The registration deadline is October 10th.

The Adams Christian Mothers Club would love to invite the ladies from your school community to our **2026 Tasting Bee** on **Friday, November 6!** The Tasting Bee is a fun ladies' evening filled with delicious food, fellowship, a silent auction, and more. Guests will have the opportunity to sample a variety of dishes throughout the evening and take home our brand-new **Adams Christian cookbook**, filled with hundreds of recipes submitted by families and friends of our school community. **Tickets are \$40 per person** and include admission to the event and one cookbook. Registration is now open, but seating is limited! **Each person attending must be registered!** Registration closes **October 2 or when all seats are filled.** Grab some friends, register together, and come enjoy a wonderful evening with us! If you have any questions please reach out to anyone on the committee (Monica Hoekstra, Elizabeth Koerner, Lauren Bodbyl, Kelly Karsemeyer, Shelby Mingerink, Nicole Kooienga & Laura Langerak)

The Reformed Witness Committee of Hope Protestant Reformed Church invites you to a timely debate between Prof. D. Kuiper and Dr D. Noe, on the topic of Marriage, Divorce, and Remarriage on October 2, 2026, at 7:30 pm in Covenant Christian High School's Jubilee Hall. Please use the following link to submit questions that you may have for the speakers regarding the topic. <https://hopeprchurch.org/divorce-debate/>. The debate will be live streamed.

CCHS Boys Basketball will again be offering the "Future Chargers" league for boys in grades 3rd-6th. The league is 5 weeks long and starts November 14 and runs through December 12 . Additional details can be found in the link below. It's a fun way to develop basic basketball skills while working with the boys varsity players and coaches. Please use the link below to sign up and to get more information. Please sign up ASAP as there is limited space. **Deadline to register is October 18. Click on Link to sign up: [FUTURE CHARGERS SIGN UP](#)**

2027 Hope Echoes Yearbook Project

I would like to support the *Echoes* Project in the following way:

- ☐ Pre-purchase a book \$35
- ☐ Patron \$40*
- ☐ Page Sponsor \$50*
- ☐ Advertisement \$60*

*Check here ☐ if you desire a *FREE* yearbook with your support.

Name/Business Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Businesses, please include a current business card.

*Make checks payable to Hope School
and turn in to the school office by **DECEMBER 11**.*