

Welcome To *Vriesland Reformed Church*



OUR MISSION

We Worship

In Worship, we are fervent

We Seek

In Evangelism, we are zealous

We Encourage

In Encouragement, we are deliberate

We Serve

In Love and in Service, we are passionate

We Pray

In Prayer, we are unceasing

November 8, 2009

8:30 & 10:45 Morning Services

Prelude
Call to Worship
Prayer of Confession
Words of Assurance
Songs of Worship
Congregational Care & Prayer/Offertory Prayer
Giving of God's Tithes & Our Offerings
Scripture **Philippians 2:1-11**
Message **"I Believe in the Son"**
Closing Song
Benediction
Closing Chorus

Vocals: Tami Emmick, Elaine Kraai, Steve Kraai,
Amy Meeuwssen, and Kristi Nelson

Instrumentalist: Tim Blesch, Andrea DeWeerd, Deb DeYoung, Bob VandenBosch, Dane Werkema, Amy Wittingen, and Doug Wittingen

6:00 PM Evening Service

Scripture Joel 3
Message *"Tell Me Whose Side Are You Leaning On?"*

Today's Events

- Sunday Education Classes - Children
- Sunday Education Classes - Adult
"The Practice of Faith" - meets in Portable #3
"How did the Gospel Spread?" - meets in the sanctuary
- Parents meeting for High School Mission Trip at 4:00 PM
- Consistory Prayer at 5:00 PM
- Post-High Small Group Bible Studies at 8:00 PM in the Fellowship Room

Nursery Attendants

Tiny Tots

(Birth - 24 months)

8:30 AM - Lynn Bos- Coordinator
Cindy Caywood
Miranda Koomen

10:45 AM - Michelle Danielson- Coordinator
Janet Bing
Jill Brouwer
Shawn Compagner
Haley Krommendyk
Harley Swainston

Wee Worship

(2yrs old until entering W.C.)

Kate Harmon- Leader
Sandy Boersen
Becky Johnson
Sara Engelsman - Leader
Pat Brower
Whitney Krommendyk

Evening Service - Shari Compagner and Kalyynn Evink

Sunday School - Jill VanDam

Coffee Attendants

Priscilla VanKoevering (Set-up)
Laurie Mast (Clean-up)

Evening Facilitators - Kristy Isenga

THANK YOU to Pastor Rotman, Pastor Wilson, and Eric Folkers for ministering to our family during Dick's illness and death. Our family was comforted and blessed by the beautiful funeral service. Thank you to the ladies who served lunch at the funeral and thank you to our Vriesland family for the many cards, prayers, and expressions of sympathy. We can feel God's presence through this difficult time. 2 Corinthians 1:3 *"Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort."*

-Carol Schermer, Mike and Pam Schermer family, Jason and Nicole Veenstra,
Ron and Shelly Sall family, David and Nancy DeJonge family, Jeff and Lyn Cooper family

TODAY IS AN OPEN HOUSE for Nelson Koeman who is celebrating his 90th birthday. It will be held at Beaverdam Reformed Church from 2-4 PM. There will be cake and ice cream. Everyone is welcome!

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15 at 8:00 PM the Post-High group will be going to see Shane Claiborne at The Gathering at Hope College. If you would like to car-pool, please meet at church at 7:00 PM sharp! If you have any questions contact Pastor Tim Wilson.



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD - This Christmas you can share joy and hope with a needy child in a troubled country like El Salvador or India by taking part in Operation Christmas Child, a mission project of Samaritan's Purse. Everyone can participate by bringing a gift-filled shoe box to church by Sunday, November 15. Complete details are outlined in the Operation Christmas Child brochures; please follow the directions carefully. The brochures are available on the table in the narthex, please call the church office with any questions.

THIRD THURSDAY MEAL FUNDRAISER - In an effort to raise funds for the new Third Thursday (a gathering of mothers of young children) we will be hosting a "Soup Bar" on November 18 from 5-6:60 PM in the Youth Building.

IT'S ALMOST TIME to start another year of "Secret Pal". Please pick up an information sheet at the Information Center in the narthex, fill it out and put it in Jason Harsevoort's mailbox by November 18 to be included in another year of Secret Pals. Wouldn't you like to brighten some other woman's day?

THIRD THURSDAY - A group for mothers of young children, will have Emily DeYoung from Winning at Home speaking for their gathering on November 19 in the Youth Building. Feel free to invite friends and family.

ALL CHURCH BOWLING: On November 20 we are going bowling at the Hudsonville Lanes at 7:00 PM. Two games of bowling plus shoes is \$6.00 per person. Nursery will be provided. Please sign up at Information Center in the narthex if you would like to attend or help out with the nursery.

WE WOULD LIKE TO have a choir or Ensemble for our Thanksgiving Eve Service on Wednesday, November 25. Practice will be on Wednesday, November 18 at 6:45 PM in the sanctuary. Please sign-up at the Information Center.

MIDDLE SCHOOL/HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS - We need your talents for a Youth Praise Band/Team to sing or play in church November 29 at both AM services. Practice is Tuesday, November 24 at 6:30 PM. If you are interested please sign up at the Information Center.

4x4 INFORMATIONAL MEETING - will take place Sunday, November 15th at 4:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. If you are in a 4x4, or desire to begin one, it is highly recommended you attend. This meeting should take approximately 45 minutes.

NEW VISITATION MINISTRY - Want to be blessed? Want to be a blessing? There are many in our congregation who cannot come here to Church so let's go to them! They need us and we need them! If you would like to be a part of a Visiting Ministry please let us know by signing up at the Information Center in the narthex. If you wish to visit in pairs please indicate that as well. We will be compiling a visiting schedule and will notify you as to who, where, and when.

REMEMBER OUR MILITARY PERSONNEL, OUR MISSIONARIES, AND OUR SENIORS: If you would like to send holiday cards to these people, there is a list of names and addresses at the Information Center. Please pick up the list and return your cards to the Information Center by December 6. We will then mail the cards for you.

CRAN-HILL RANCH CAMPING: If you signed up for Cran-Hill Ranch on August 6, 7, 8 (2010) or the weekly family camp the forms are in your mail box. If you do not want to attend and have a form, please return it to the church office. The money and the forms are due on November 15th. If you did not sign up to go and want to camp, contact the church office.

Weekly Calendar

Monday (9)

6:15 AM High School Bible Study
 6:30 PM Education Committee Meeting
 6:30 PM Financial Peace Meeting in the Fellowship Room
 8:00 PM Women's Bible Study - Room 6
"The Uncommon Women"

Tuesday (10)

6:00 AM Men's Bible Study in the Chapel
 6:15 AM Young Men's Bible Study
 9:30 AM Sewing Guild meets in the Fellowship Room
 10:00 AM Moms Club
 6:30 PM Men's Bible Study in the Library - (Please read Jeremiah 7)
 6:30 PM Pastoral Consistory Meeting

Wednesday (11)

1:00 PM Prayer Time in the Sanctuary - everyone is invited
 6:30 PM Joyful Noise Choir (Pre-school through 1st Grade)
 6:30-7:45 PM GEMS - 2nd - 6th grade girls
 6:30-7:45 PM Cadets - 2nd - 6th grade boys
 Bible Lesson/Individual Badge Night
 2nd Grade Explorers - Lesson 3
 3rd Grade Adventurers - Lesson 3
 4th & 5th Grad RPB - Lesson 5
 6th Grade RPB - Lesson 5
 6:30 PM Women's Bible Study *"I Saw the Lord"* will meet in Portable #5
 6:45-7:45 PM *Walk With Me* (Pre-school through 1st Grade)
 6:30 PM Middle School Youth Group
 7:45 PM High School Youth Group

Thursday (12)

6:30-8:00 PM Praise Team Practice

Next Week Sunday - November (15)

- We will celebrate the sacrament of Holy Communion
- Sunday Education Classes - Children
- Sunday Education Classes - Adult
"The Practice of Faith" - meets in Portable #3
"How did the Gospel Spread?" - meets in the Sanctuary
- 4x4 Orientation Meeting at 4:30 PM in the Sanctuary
- Communion Vesper Service at 5:30 PM in the Sanctuary
- *"The Crew"* meets at 7:15 PM in the Youth Building
- Post-High Small Group attending *"The Gathering"* at 8:00 PM
- Cran-Hill forms for the 2010 Church Campout are due
- Operation Christmas Child Boxes due today

Remember in Prayer

"The earnest prayer of a righteous person has great power and produces wonderful results." James 5:16
 (New Living Translation)

We pray comfort for:

The Schermer family, grieving the loss of Dick
The families who lost loved ones in the massacre at Fort Hood on Thursday

We pray healing for:

Those suffering with cancer: Al Sorensen, Kelli Jacoby (daughter of the VanDorts), Sheryl VanderMyde, and Judy VandenBosch
Gavin Morlan, recovering from 2 hip replacement surgeries
Al Sorensen, recovering from 2 separate surgeries he had last week on his arm

We pray God's blessing on:

Our Congregations response to the opportunity to sponsor the boys living at the Hope House in Mexico
Those 200 million persecuted Christians who suffer for the cause of Christ

Shut-ins, Mert and Frieda Wabeke

Jeff Lampen, continuing his work in Hungary

The Pastoral Consistory meeting on Tuesday evening

President Obama, his administration, and all our political leaders

Those serving in the military: Andrew Mast, Scott Koeman, Chad Pugh, Dana Sorensen, Bobby Sorensen, Ed Schrotenboer (Steve & Sue Flokstra's son-in-law), Christopher Schneider, and Reggie King

Our Nation: *"If My people who are called by My name will humble themselves and pray, and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land".*

For up-to-date Prayer Opportunities, please call the Prayer Line
688-SOUL (7685) OR Toll Free **1-877-277-2952**

Next Sunday's Assignments

Nursery Attendants

	Tiny Tots (Birth - 24 months)	Wee Worship (2yrs old until entering W.C.)
8:30 AM	Ruth Walters Daniele Smallegan Elaine Kraai	Patty Scholten- Leader Katie Flage Rachel Walters
10:45 AM	Kristi Nelson- Coordinator Paula Dannenberg Katie Danielson Dawn Evink Holly Nelson Heather Zeerip	Erica Folkers - Leader Amy Hulsman Lindsey Nelson

Evening Service - Muriel Boerman and Beth VanHaitsma

Sunday School - Claire Sorensen

Coffee Attendants

Lisa Freeman (Set-up)
 Taraynn Niehnui (Clean-up)

Evening Facilitators - Al & Lynn Bos

FUNDRAISER "CHILI" DINNER - On Wednesday night we had a great turnout and cleared about \$700 for our **Mission Trip Scholarship Fund!** Thanks to everyone who made donations, helped prepare, serve, set up, and cleanup! By the way, we have some extra chili available - great for your hunting camp! The chili is packaged in quart containers and is located in The Youth Building kitchen freezer. The cost is \$2.00 per quart. Help yourself and please place your payment in the Drop Box at the Information Center.

Giving Report Sunday - November 1, 2009

Giving	Weekly Budget Need	
\$13,447	\$ 11,034	General Operating Fund
\$ 1,720	\$ 2,028	Benevolent Fund
\$ 680		Building Fund
\$15,847	Total	

Financial Report - October 2009

General Operating Fund

Benevolent & Mission Fund

Building Fund

The Details

	<u>Oct 09</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Receipts	\$41,391	\$227,783
Disbursed	\$43,667	\$229,258
Over (Short)	(\$2,276)	(\$1,475)

	<u>Oct 09</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Receipts	\$9,770	\$39,698
Budget	\$8,791	\$43,955
Over (Short)	\$979	(4,257)

	<u>Oct 09</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Receipts	\$2,420	\$12,099
Disbursements	\$0	\$ 9,250
Balance on Hand		\$138,227

The Quick Bottom Line

In October our expenses were more than the amount collected by \$2,276. So far this fiscal year (June-Oct) our expenses have been more than the amount collected by \$1,475

So far this fiscal year, we've collected \$4,257 less than needed to keep up with the payments to our missionaries and other benevolent commitments.

Last year at this time we had collected about \$8,115 more than this year.

The Thanksgiving Service will be on Wednesday, November 25 at 7:00 PM. The Thanksgiving offering that will be collected that evening will be divided between the **Lucas Smith family** and **Compassionate Heart Ministry**. *Compassionate Heart* is a ministry located at City on A Hill and is a Christ centered, after school drop-in center for young people, ages 14-26 with disabilities. In addition to those ministries, other designations are also honored.

THE HEAT IS GOING DOWN - In an effort to be good stewards all thermostats throughout our facilities have been lowered. Bundle up - dress in layers - snuggle - thanks for your cooperation!

Sign-ups & Information Currently at the Information Center Located in the Narthex

- *Visitation Ministry* sign-up
- *Bowling* at Hudsonville Lanes November 20
- Ride the *Hope Bus* sign-up for November 22
- *Second Gleaners* on Tuesday, November 24
- *Thanksgiving Ensemble* Practice November 25
- *Youth Praise Team* Practice November 29
- *Secret pal* Information Sheet
- *Holiday Mailing* List

Notable Dates:

November 15: Operation Christmas Child Boxes Due
 November 15: Cran-Hill Camping Forms Due
 November 20: All Church Bowling at Hudsonville Lanes
 November 25: Thanksgiving Eve Service at 7:00 PM
 December 24: Christmas Eve Service at 5:00 PM

How to Reach Us

Vriesland Reformed Church
 6839 Byron Road Zeeland, Michigan 49464
 Phone (616) 772-2791
 Prayer Line (616) 688 SOUL - Toll Free (877) 277-2952
 Email - office@VrieslandChurch.org
 Fax - (616) 772-4997
 www.VrieslandChurch.org
Church Office Hours
 Monday 9:00 AM - 12:00 P.M.
 Tuesday - Friday 9:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

The following are available for you:

-Nursery - for newborn through 3 years old
 -Hearing Loop System
 -CD reproductions of the Worship Services
 -Weekly Bulletins are available at
www.VrieslandChurch.org
 -Both AM & PM sermons are available at
www.VrieslandChurch.org
 -Please contact the church office with any special needs.