

Almond Valley Mailbox Messages February 11, 2018

GENERAL

Ladies, you are all invited to a **Spring Tea hosted by the Bethany Christian Services Guild**. "Let Music Fill the Air" is the theme this year. Doesn't that sound beautiful? Join us on Saturday, March 17, from 2 pm to 4 pm, at Zion United Reformed Church, 1220 Canal Street, Ripon. For more information and to buy tickets, please see Sharon Melcher or Cherie Andriese.

Hosts Needed!! Dordt College Concert Choir will be in Ripon March 14 & 15 during their Spring Tour. If you'd like to help by hosting a pair of students for those two nights, please contact Linda Scholten at 209-275-7762 or rikscholten@yahoo.com. Mark your calendars for their concert at First CRC on Thursday, March 15, 7:00pm!

RIPON CHRISTIAN

Ripon Christian's Close-up Club will be selling tri-tip sandwiches, chips and drinks during the Almond Blossom Festival on Saturday, February 24th. All proceeds will help defer the cost for Juniors and Seniors who are going to Washington D.C. in March 2019 to get a "Close Up" educational experience of American government. You may purchase tickets ahead of time by contacting a close up member or from the High School Office. Two locations are available for your convenience: Corner of Main & Maple Ave., 11:00 a.m. – 3:00p.m.; Ripon Christian PAC parking lot, 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Mark your calendars. Boosters 3 on 3 March Madness is coming to Ripon Christian, Saturday, March 24. We will once again have both Middle School and High School/Adult divisions. We hope to have a girls/womens bracket this year. Start getting your team together and join the fun playing basketball and supporting RC athletics at the same time. Registration information is available in the high school office, the elementary office, and on the school website. Contact Janet Engel if you have any question at jengel@rcschool.com.

SAVE THE DATE! Ripon Christian Schools **MERCHANDISE & LIVESTOCK AUCTION, SATURDAY, APRIL 14th, 2018.** Please mark your calendar for Saturday, April 14 to attend the 36th Annual RCS Merchandise & Livestock Auction. The auction will start at 9:30am & will be held at the Escalon Livestock Market, located at the corner of Lone Tree & Escalon Bellota Roads in Escalon. There will be close to 200 items to bid on in all price ranges, so everyone in the community is encouraged to attend & give their support. Cash, check or credit card donations will also be accepted at the door. Also, students from RC's Close-Up Club will be outside in the auction yard ready to wash your vehicle for a donation. And don't forget about the free BBQ lunch that will be provided that day for all who attend! If you have an item or service you would like to donate towards this year's auction, please call Bryan Van Groningen at 765-1494 or Ken Van Gorkum at 838-2549.

CRC ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Opportunity for Service	Feb. 11	Feb. 18
Greeter AM	Phil & Joyce Kok Rich & Bev Maliepaard	Daniel & Janeen Dykxhoorn Ryan & Teresa Vander Veen
Usher	Tim Fernandes Lloyd Van Dyken Rich Vanden Akker - PM	Tim Fernandes Lloyd Van Dyken Rich Vanden Akker - PM
Security PM	Bill Butterman	Jim Schuller
Coffee Server	Margie Winters Karen Viss	Irene Bishop Karen Viss
Nursery	Saylor De Abreu Jalyn De Zwaan Sydney McMurray PM Katie Bulthuis Joyce Kok	Renaë Goslinga Lori Gonzales Sierra Sorensen PM Janean Heyboer Amanda Schoolland
Children in Worship	Cindy Vander Molen Ruth Visser David Koolhaas Jennifer Carrasquel	Shauna den Dulk Natasha Smith Corey Viss Ashley Schuller Kaitlyn Goslinga
Sound	Corey Viss	Dave Hollander
Video	Dylan Koolhaas	Nicholas Visser
Projection	Jody Eskes	Heather Visser
Worship Team	Dawn Eskes Scott Viss Randy Eskes	Jennifer Carrasquel Olivia Orozco Cindy Vander Molen
Musician	Janean Heyboer* Brittany Bloemhof Geri Hekman Bill Butterman Jack Andriese Matthijs Moret	Susan Visser* Dawn Eskes Cliff Schoolland Saylor De Abreu Rod Mora Jack Schoolland
Evening Accompanist	Susan Visser	Vivian Roorda
Deacon - Offering AM	Daniel Dykxhoorn* Sherwin Heyboer* Jon De Zwaan Dusty Hoekstra	Sherwin Heyboer* Jon De Zwaan* Dusty Hoekstra Dale De Bie
Elder-Door	Randy Eskes Ron Vander Molen Ric Winters	Randy Eskes Ron Vander Molen Ric Winters
Communion	John Van Zwaluwenburg* Randy Eskes Dave Hollander Jerry Segaar Ron Vander Molen (n)	

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Opening of Worship

Take Time to Be Holy (Screen)

Take time to be holy Speak oft with thy Lord
Abide in Him always And feed on His Word
Make friends with God's children Help those who are weak
Forgetting in nothing His blessing to seek

Take time to be holy Let Him be thy Guide
And run not before Him Whatever betide
In joy or in sorrow Still follow thy Lord
And lookin to Jesus Still trust in His Word

Take time to be holy Be calm in thy soul
Each tho't and each motive Beneath His control
Thus led by His Spirit To fountains of love
Thou soon shall be fitted For service above
Public Domain

Lord, Our Lord, Your Glorious Name (#8:1,4 PH)

God' Will for Our Lives: Lord's Day 36, Q99

Your Name (Screen)

As morning dawns and evening fades
You inspire songs of praise
That rise from earth to touch Your heart
And glorify Your Name

(Chorus) Your Name is a strong and mighty tower
Your Name is a shelter like no other
Your Name let the nations sing it louder
'Cause nothing has the power to save
But Your Name

Jesus in Your Name we pray
Come and fill our hearts today
Lord give us strength to live for You
And glorify Your Name

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Children, ages 3 yrs – 2nd grade, are dismissed for their time of age-appropriate worship. They meet downstairs in the youth center.

Congregational Prayer

Offering Ripon Christian Tuition Assistance (Next week: General Fund)

Prepare our Hearts (Screen)

Prepare our hearts to worship You
The Ever Faithful Ever True
Forgive our sin and make us new
Prepare our hearts to worship You

Prepare our hearts for holy ground
Let our defenses tumble down
Come do what only You can do
Prepare our hearts to worship You

Prepare our hearts to worship You
To worship You we worship You

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Hearing God's Word

Text: Exodus 20:7 (p. 118)

Message Worshipping Our Holy God

Communion

Closing of Worship

There is a Redeemer (Screen)

There is a Redeemer Jesus God's own Son
Precious Lamb of God Messiah Holy One

(Chorus) Thank You O my Father
For giving us Your Son
And leaving Your Spirit
Till the work on earth is done

Jesus my Redeemer name above all names
Precious Lamb of God Messiah
O for sinners slain

When I stand in glory I will see His face
There I'll serve my King forever
In that holy place

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Today

Today Rev. Mark VanDyke will continue preaching from Exodus, *Worshipping Our Holy God*. God's people represent him. To misuse his name or misrepresent him (something we all do!) offends him and leads people away from him. On the other hand, to honor the sanctity of his name in our words and actions is to teach others that he is holy.

This morning we have an opportunity to joyfully receive the sacrament of Holy Communion. At Almond Valley the bread and juice are distributed to the congregation as you sit and contemplate the work of Jesus Christ in reconciling us to God. After the whole congregation has been served, we eat and drink together when led by Pastor Mark. Any person who honestly repents of their sin, looks to Jesus for their salvation, and who is a professing member in good standing at a Bible-believing church is welcome to receive the sacrament this morning. God bless you as you commune with him!

Our Children in Worship program is for 3yrs old – 2nd grade children that meet during the morning worship service for age appropriate worship. Today the lesson is *Lenten Puzzle*.

This evening Rev. Mark VanDyke will be continuing with the Heidelberg Catechism - Lord's Day 6: Jesus, the Human & Divine Mediator

Announcements

Office Hours this week: The office will be closed Wednesday.

Family Promise is here again! Beginning next week 2/11, we have the opportunity to serve 4 families (11 people) through this ministry. Sign-ups are in the hallway or see Dusty Hoekstra for more info. (275-2203) Our next hosting time is not until August, so don't miss the opportunity to give of your time to bless this ministry.

Church Family

AV Church Family: Thank you for all the kindness you have shown me, my family, and extended family – the many prayers, visits, cards, gifts, food, etc. The Family of God is truly amazing. It is great to be worshipping with you again! The Melcher Family

Birthdays this week 2/11 Kim McMurray 2/12 Ethan McMurray 2/14 Clara Mae Teekell 2/16 Eric Bulthuis, Pastor Phil Kok, McKenna Moret 2/17 Geri Hekman

This Week's Calendar

Sunday 11	Morning Worship – 9:30am Beth Haven B & C – 10:45am Youth Education Classes (K-12) -10:45am Adult Education Class – 11am Family Promise Week Begins – 5pm Evening Worship – 6pm
Monday 12	Deacons Meeting – 7pm Cadets – 6:30pm CIC: Gators
Tuesday 13	Impact (MS Youth) – 7pm Council Meeting – 7pm
Wednesday 14	WWW – 9am Video - "The Salt of the Earth" Good News Club – 2:15pm AV Youth Group – 7pm
Thursday 15	Ladies Bible Study – 6am – Coffee: Barb/Bonnie Worship Team Practice – 6:45pm Worship Committee – 7:30pm
Friday 16	
Saturday 17	
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