

ENGAGEMENT

- **KIDS HOPE USA:** Mentors, please remember to RSVP for our Mentor Appreciation Western Barbeque Dinner on Tuesday, February 13, 6:30pm in the Gathering Place.
- **SOUTH AFRICA:** Are you interested in going on a South Africa mission trip? Maybe this would be your first time or it's time to go again! Trips are being planned for April and October 2018. Please contact Tonya Tolsma (tonyat@christmemorial.org) or Paul Scholten 566-0030 or (pauls@christmemorial.org) for more information.
- **CARE CLOSET NEEDS:** peanut butter, pancake mix/syrup, cereal, canned fruit, brownie mix, canned tuna/chicken, spaghetti sauce/noodles, laundry soap, toothpaste, men's & women's deodorant, toilet paper, paper towels, cooking oil, rice mixes, hamburger/tuna helper. Please drop off your items in the marked basket at our collection center in the lobby. **We are also in need** of a volunteer to help oversee the donations. Please contact Terri at terri@atlasministries.org for more information.
- **HATS, MITTENS, GLOVES, AND SCARVES** are all needed during the cold months in Holland! The Faith in Action Growth Community is collecting items to share with Holland West kids and other organizations. Please bring new or gently used items to the collection basket near the Information Center. Thanks for your generosity!

WORSHIP & CREATIVE ARTS

- **ASH WEDNESDAY:** Plan to join us on Wednesday, February 14, at 6pm for this family-friendly service that marks the beginning of the Lent season, a six-week period dedicated to reflection, prayer, and fasting, leading to Resurrection Sunday/Easter.
- **EARLY CHILDHOOD ENRICHMENT CLASSES (ECEC)** for children preschool – start February 6 and 7. Register online: <http://cmcholland.org/get-involved/music/class-offerings/> or contact Laurie Dekker at laurie.dekker@gmail.com.
- **GOSPEL CHOIR:** If you have a heart for glorifying God through song, integrating diverse music and culture, the Gospel Choir is the group for YOU!! Rehearsal will be held next Thursday, February 8, at 6:30pm in the Forest and Thursday, February 15, at 6:30pm in the sanctuary. The Gospel Choir will sing Sunday, February 18, in the 10:30am service. For more info and to sign up, visit the Info Center or contact Breanna at breannac@christmemorial.org!
- **LARGE PRINT BIBLES AND BULLETINS** are available at the Info Center and at Door D.

PRAYERS OF CELEBRATION AND CONCERN

HOSPITALIZED: Carwin Kamps (Holland), Tim Stoike (Blodgett); Marcia Hagen (Butterworth)

REHABILITATION: Todd Swieringa (Allendale Nursing and Rehab Community)

DISCHARGED: Jodi Koning, Beverly Compagner

SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED TO: Shirley Rhoda and family at the passing of Shirley's brother Roger Essenburg on January 15.



CHRIST MEMORIAL CHURCH

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 4, 2018

LIVE LIKE JESUS!

Linda Schaftenaar has served as a greeter at Christ Memorial for 10 years. As a member of CM Church for almost 40 years, she finds this as a way to connect with people and to be a help to new people coming to CMC. She finds that volunteering as a greeter is easy to do because there is a three-month rotation, and she can easily plan ahead. Linda plugs in many places as a volunteer, and another way she serves at CMC is by helping with Laundry for the Lord. The CMC kitchen uses a lot of linens for events and daily towels and cloths for washing, and those items

need to be laundered and returned. Linda is on a rotation with other “Laundry for the Lord” volunteers and will pick up a bag or two of kitchen linens and return them within a few days. Linda has found a great way to serve face to face and behind the scenes. There are many ways to serve at CMC! Interested? Please contact Lynn White at lynnw@christmemorial.org to learn more about being a greeter as well as other ways you can get plugged in.



ADULT MINISTRIES

- **CONTEMPORARY CHRISTIAN LIFE ISSUES FORUM (CCLI)** from 10:30-11:30am in the chapel. **This morning kicks off part 1 of a 3 part series:** *The Colossian Forum* presented by Rev. Dr. Chris DeVos, manager of church partnership and care at The Colossian Forum. This three-part class (February 4, 11 & 18) will provide an introduction to The Colossian Way, a Christian practice for engaging contentious issues. Week one will focus on the way we look at “problems” in the church and consider how this impedes progress. Week two will focus on the question “What is Unity?” by teasing our understanding of unity and forming a biblical/theological view. Week three will lead us to practice what we’ve preached, engaging a particularly contentious issue as a positive catalyst for discipleship.
- **FEMALES OF ALL AGES, TODAY IS THE LAST DAY TO SECURE YOUR SPOT FOR CUPCAKES & CANVASES** taking place next Sunday, February 11, from 6- 7:30pm in the Gathering Place. Cost \$15. **Advance registration and pre-payment is needed for this event.** Offered by **SISTERS ON SUNDAYS (SOS)**, a new monthly gathering of women of all ages and experiences. Each month on the second Sunday women will be given the opportunity to relax, relate, and refresh with other women in a fun and casual setting. Stop by the Info Desk for more details. Free child care available.
- **THERE IS STILL ROOM FOR YOU! Many groups and classes have started, but you can still show up!** Grab one of the “Life to the Full” booklets at the Information Center and find your place to plug in. Growth Communities, Life is _____, The Magnificent Story, Precepts, CCLI, Men’s and Women’s Study Groups, and more. You are welcome to just show up! Questions or need help with finding the right fit—contact Lori at 796-3361 or lorib@christmemorial.org.
- **ARE YOU SEEKING A RECURRING ADVENTURE IN COMMUNITY, FAITH, AND LIFE? JOIN A GROWTH COMMUNITY!** Meeting today: 9 or 10:30am – This is Us (Room 168); 10:30am - Open Hearts, Open Hands (Room 164); GAP (Green Room); Friends in Christ (Room 167); Walking in Faith hosting *The Real Lord’s Prayer* (Room 165/166). Meeting tonight: 5:45pm - Prime Time hosting *Prayer – Does It Make Any Difference?* (Room 165/166); 5:45pm – T2 (Room 167 - meets monthly on the 2nd and 4th Sundays); 5:45pm – Faith in Action (Room 169). Meeting Wednesday at 6pm: People of Purpose hosting *The Mission of Jesus*. For info on all of our Growth Communities, pick up a *Life to the Full* booklet at the Info Center or contact Lori at lorib@christmemorial.org.

CHILDREN & YOUTH

- **FUSION** is still in need of men to help in our small group time on Wednesday nights. We have wonderful leaders who are dads and businessmen and active in the community, and having extra help when they need to be away for a night is imperative to the success of the program. Please e-mail Misty at mistyc@christmemorial.org for more information.
- **WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER:** Burgers and fries. Join us each week from 5-6pm for a free dinner. PB and J, salad and drinks in addition to our weekly special!

CARE & CONNECTIONS

- **SHUTTLE DRIVERS NEEDED:** We are in need of warm and friendly men and women (ages 18 and up) who have a desire to welcome guests by driving our shuttles! You can be the first contact with our guests. Our shuttle drivers are making a difference. Come and be a part of changing lives! Please contact Lynn at lynnwhite@christmemorial.org.
- **NEW MEMBERS RETREAT** – If you are interested in learning more about joining Christ Memorial Church as a member, please attend our New Members Retreat on February 25 from 12PM to 4:30PM in the Adult Wing, Jerusalem Room #167. We will share a light lunch, along with our mission, vision and values while getting to know one another while you decide if you would like to partner with us through membership. To sign up, please contact Deanna at deanna@christmemorial.org or 616-796-3360.
- **FUN and GAMES:** Seniors at least 55 years young are welcome to a “Fun and Games” luncheon on Tuesday, February 20, at 12 noon. Cost is \$10 at the door. Come experience the “Newly Wed” game with four couples, Bingo, and Trivia. Sign up at Kiosk #2 or e-mail deanna@christmemorial.org by Tuesday, February 12.
- **SECOND SERVICE GREETERS:** Are you looking for a way to connect at CM Church? Come and join the Connections Team! This team is looking for people who are warm and friendly to help greet our guests at our second service. Contact Lynn White at lynnw@christmemorial.org or 796-3362.
- **COOKIES! COOKIES!** Are you a young adult who loves cookies? Do you like to bake cookies? Do you use frosting? We have opportunities . . . Keep reading:
 1. **YOUNG ADULTS, DO YOU LIKE COOKIES?** If you haven’t updated us on your current address, please e-mail dorisvk@christmemorial.org before Monday, February 5, so we can send you cookies! Parents, if you want us to pray for and support your young adult, please get us their address.
 2. **DO YOU ENJOY BAKING COOKIES?** If you would like to bake cookies to send to our young adults, please contact Tonya Tolsma at tjtolsma@sbcglobal.net before Friday, February 9. Thanks!
 3. **FROSTING CANS** – Please bring in your cleaned and label-removed frosting cans to the collection basket near the Information Center. These will be used to hold cookies that will be sent to our young adults. Thanks for your help!

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **WELCOME!** This morning we are excited to officially welcome Becky Visser (Children’s Ministries Director) and Jose Duran (Pastor of Missional Living) to our staff! **PLEASE JOIN US** near the Welcome Center between the services today and introduce yourself to them.
- **DONATION NEED:** Children’s Ministries is in need of shoe boxes WITH lids. Please drop off your donations to the collection center in the lobby near the Info Center. They may simply be placed on the floor next to the shelving unit of baskets.
- **HAPPY TOWN CHRISTIAN TRAVELERS:** Happy Town Christian Travelers trips this year include a Daniel O’Donnell concert; the new play “Jesus” at Sight and Sound Theater in Landcaster, PA; The Ark Encounter, NYC; a brown bag trip; a White Caps game; and many more. Go to the Information Center for flyers for these trips!