

# PROVIDENCE CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

## NEWS AND NOTICES

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK January 6-12, 2019	
<b>Sunday</b>	
8:30 AM	Prayer Time
9:30 AM	Worship Service
11:00 AM	Sunday School and Catechism
4:00 PM	Prayer Team Meeting
5:00 PM	Worship Service
5:00 PM	Middle School Youth Group
<b>Monday</b>	
9:30 AM	Open Pickleball
7:00 PM	Revive Meeting (AA)
<b>Tuesday</b>	
9:00 AM	60 North Breakfast at Russ'
5:00 PM	Spirit Moves Karate
<b>Wednesday</b>	
6:30-9:30 AM	Open Prayer Time
6:30 AM	Men's Promise Keepers
9:30 AM	Women's Bible Study
6:00 PM	Refuel Dinner
6:30 PM	GEMS, Cadets, Adult Classes
7:00 PM	Revive Meeting (AA)
<b>Thursday</b>	
8:30 AM	Men's Breakfast at Russ'
12:30 PM	Open Pickleball
7:00 PM	Vision Team Meeting
8:15 PM	Men's Basketball
<b>Friday</b>	
9:30 AM	Parents and Preschoolers Open Gym Time
6:00 PM	Ladies' Craft Night
<b>Saturday</b>	
8 AM-5 PM	Upward Basketball Games
9:00 AM	Spirit Moves Karate

**Welcome!** "I am the way, the truth and the life," Jesus said. "No one comes to the Father except through Me."

### PRAYER CORNER

*Be blessed to receive Jesus' healing journey.*

"You have made known to me the path of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence, with eternal pleasures at your right hand."

Psalm 16:11

*The verses in the Prayer Corner above are part of the healing prayer journey. Join us as we share these verses weekly. Clip them out and post them in a prominent place so you can read them and meditate on the gift God has given us in Jesus during the week.*

### PRAYER AND PRAISE

**Please include the following people in your personal and family prayers:**

- Linda Buit
- Kelly Franken
- Brent Hofstra
- Jill Meyers
- Sam Naber
- Sheri Peacock
- Don Schumaker
- Ed Timmer
- Linda Vander Heide
- Bennett Vander Vennen
- Lexi Van Soelen
- Ben Zandstra
- Our service members:  
Brian Smit and Steph Walstra

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## WORSHIP

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**This morning**, we begin a New Year's series of messages titled, "**What's in a Name?**" that focuses on the concrete images God offers in his word to help us understand his character. Today we learn what it means that God is our Rock. We will also receive our **2019 Star Card**.

**This evening**, we will begin a study of the difficult but important truths found in the Canons of Dordt. The first focus is the bad but necessary news of Fallen Humanity.

**Today after the morning service**, elders and prayer team members will be available to pray with those who desire it. *"Is anyone among you sick? Let them call the elders of the church to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord."* James 5:14



**Next week: In the morning**, we will continue our new series of messages, "**What's in a Name?**". We will focus on the image of God as the "Shade" in our deserts. **In the evening**, we will continue a study of the truths found in the Canons of Dordt, focusing on our adoption by God.

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## FROM COUNCIL

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**The Council nomination process to elect new Elders and Deacons has begun.** If you would like to recommend someone for consideration as an Elder or Deacon, please contact Dave Hofstra ([dhofstra@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dhofstra@sbcglobal.net)).

**Elder Update:** Because of the recent circumstances of Sam Naber's battle with cancer Doug Naber needed to resign from being an elder to support his family. The elders have decided that the best way of giving elder care to the members of this district is to share the district with other elders until a new elder can be selected and installed in May. We thank Doug for his service and continue to pray for his family.

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## WOMEN'S MINISTRY

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**Wednesday morning Bible study is starting up again this week!** We will study Acts 1-12 together over six sessions, starting with Acts 1 and 2 at our first meeting (January 9). Grab a journal packet from the table in the narthex and come prepared to dive into these Scriptures with us! Contact Jenni Timmer ([jenni.timmer@gmail.com](mailto:jenni.timmer@gmail.com)) or Jill Boersma ([jboers50@gmail.com](mailto:jboers50@gmail.com)) with questions.

**Please Note:** Our Wednesday morning schedule looks different for the month of January. Bible study will meet the 2<sup>nd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> weeks, and Mom Group will meet on the 3<sup>rd</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> weeks. We will resume our regular schedule in February. Thanks!

**Mom Group:** Please join us January 16 as we kick off a fresh new year! Michele Loveless, founder of "Skinny House", will join us. If you've never come before, this is a great opportunity to see what we're about! Contact Jenni Timmer ([jenni.timmer@gmail.com](mailto:jenni.timmer@gmail.com)) or Allyson Vriesman ([al.vriesman@gmail.com](mailto:al.vriesman@gmail.com)) with any questions

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## DISCIPLESHIP

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**Sunday School and Catechism start up again today. Welcome back!**

### 1<sup>st</sup> Grade ABC Bible Memory

Today: *Love your neighbor as yourself.*  
Next week: *My child, give me your heart.*

### 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grade Bible Memory

This week: Philippians 4:4  
Next week: Philippians 4:4-5

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## 4:12 YOUTH

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High School Youth Group

**This weekend, January 11-12, is our All-Nighter at the YMCA!** Parents, please drop your teen off at 8:30 pm and plan to pick them up at 5:30 am. We are not allowing kids to drive to/from this event since they'll be up all night. **Cost is only \$20** for dodge ball, archery tag, bubble balls, pickle ball, swimming, board games, pizza, and more! Don't forget, there will be a raffle drawing for a TV and guessing games for gift cards! **Sign up with Vonnie by TODAY!**

**Small groups next week, January 13:**

- 9<sup>th</sup> graders in the youth loft
- 10<sup>th</sup> graders at Kuipers'
- 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> graders at Hofstras'

**Reminder:** We will help lead Worship 145 on January 27 as part of our Large Group meeting.

"Don't let anyone think less of you because you are young. Be an example to all believers in what you say, in the way you live, in your love, your faith, and your purity." 1 Timothy 4:12



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## CARE AND FELLOWSHIP

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**60 North:** We are meeting for breakfast at Russ' this Tuesday, January 8, at 9 am. Anyone ages "60 and north" is welcome to join. We're a fun group!

**Providence Men:** We'll meet for breakfast this week Thursday, January 10, at 8:30 am at Russ'. All men are welcome!

**Ladies, please join us for a night of crafting** this Friday, January 11, at 6 pm. Take your scrapbooking, card making, and/or knitting! Snacks to share are also a great idea. Please enter through the 'B' doors by the gym. Questions? Ask Laura Greenwood at 616-309-3951.

**Prayer Opportunity at SCHS:** Gather with others tonight, January 6, 7-7:45 pm, at the new South Christian High School building to pray in, pray over, and pray for every space of this school.

**Remember to pray for and support our missionaries:** The Grimbergs, Lees, Martins, Neeleys, Spalinks, WaKitavis, and Wrays.

**Kitchen Reminder:** If you plan to use either kitchen with your rental or ministry purpose, please contact Jan Boersma at 616-334-4851 to receive proper training on the equipment if you haven't done so yet. Thank you!

**REVIVE:** Do you struggle with alcohol or drug abuse? Join us in our loft Mondays and Wednesdays at 7 pm for **open AA meetings**. Steve Huizinga coordinates the meetings (616-299-8809). *Please pray God uses this ministry.*

**Got the winter blues?** Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD) is a type of depression related to changes in the seasons. Symptoms include irritability, fatigue, heavy feeling in the arms or legs, oversleeping, appetite changes, and weight gain. SAD is treatable; calling our Church Assistance Program at 616-455-6210 can help you recover faster.

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### OUTREACH

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**Reaching out through life-giving relationships within our community.**

**The Master's Builders are planning a trip to North Carolina in March.** We are going to work with those who have been hurt by the flooding. Please let Arie Docter know if you are interested (adoc1959@yahoo.com or 616-745-1039) Thank you.

### Missions Spotlight

*Mwya and Munyiva WaKitavi*

East Africa

**REFUEL WELLNESS CLASS:** We are restarting the Wellness Class this week! Join us January 9 as Shelly Faber leads this opportunity to pursue greater health and wellness. **Please sign up TODAY in the fellowship hall if interested!**



**Refuel is THIS week Wednesday, January 9.** The meal will be hosted by our **REFUEL Dinner Crew**; proceeds go to Outreach Ministries. GEMS, Cadets, Wellness Class, nursery and KidzClub all start at 6:30 pm. **This is a wonderful opportunity to invite your neighbors and friends to join us!**

**New VBS Opportunity Coming this Summer:** In your mailboxes today, you will find more information regarding the Backyard Bible Clubs that we hope to run in our community this summer in partnership with the Pier. **We will have an informational meeting** on Sunday, January 27, after the morning service.

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### HAND 2 HAND

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**Hand2Hand packing volunteers are needed!** Parents are encouraged to sign up with their sons or daughters (ages 8 and above). High schoolers are welcome to find a friend or two and sign up as well! It only takes 30-40 minutes. Please sign up online at SignUpGenius; the link is up on the "Providence Family" Facebook page. Questions? Ask Ruth Ringnalda at 616-827-3770. Thank you!

