

## SLCRC MIDWEEK

November 14, 2018

### SHARING YOUR FAITH

Greg Laurie says that “95 percent of all Christians have never led another person to Christ.” That is a sad and sobering statistic, because it probably means that 95 percent of all Christians are not actively sharing their faith. What it also means is that 95 percent of all Christians are disobeying a direct order from Jesus, our Commander in Chief, who directly told us to tell others about Him.

Do you want to be the 95 percent or do you want to be among the 5 percent who share their faith and lead people to Christ?

The first place to start as you prepare to share your faith is to pray for the lost. This is critical. If you want to have the heart of Jesus, you need to pray for the people Jesus died for.

*“I urge you, first of all to pray for all people. As you make your requests, plead for God’s mercy upon them, and give thanks... This is good and pleases God our Savior, for he wants everyone to be saved and to understand the truth (1 Timothy 2:1,3,4).*

From Oswald Chambers, *“If you cannot express yourself well on each of your beliefs work and study until you can. If you don’t other people may miss out on the blessings that come from knowing the truth. Strive to re-express a truth of God to yourself clearly and understandably, and God will use that same explanation when you share it with someone else.”*

- Bruce Bickel and Stan Jantz

### THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 18, 2018 – NOVEMBER 24, 2018

Sunday, Nov. 18: 9:30 am – Worship  
Sunday, Nov. 18: 10:30 am – Coffee Fellowship  
Sunday, Nov. 18: 4:00 pm – Chimes Rehearsal  
Sunday, Nov. 18: 5:00 pm – Bible Study  
Sunday, Nov. 18: 6:30 pm - Youth Groups  
Wednesday, Nov. 21 7:00 pm – Thanksgiving Eve Service

### PRAYER CONCERNS

Remember the following friends and members who have health issues, are in a nursing home, are homebound, or experiencing personal cares and concerns:

Bob & Rhea Teunis – The Hume House at 1244 W. Southern Ave., Apt. 9, Muskegon, MI 49441

Ruth Wierenga, Etta Peterson, Henrietta Laning, - Homebound

George Wierenga is under hospice care and is at home.

Cheryl Rasinske – Harbor House in Jenison

Marshall Teunis – Marshall is back at American House-17387 Oakcrest Parkway.

Henry & Amy Sterenberg – living at Lake Woods, 1684 Vulcan, Muskegon, MI 49442

### FAITH PROMISE

Thanks to everyone for the your pledge to support our Faith Promise Ministry. The total amount that was pledged this past Sunday for Faith Promise for 2019 was \$11,015.00. Pledge cards are available on the Welcome Table if you would still like to make a pledge. Pick up a pledge card and place your completed pledge card in the offering plate or leave it in the box provided on the Information Table.

### **WOMEN AND GIRLS CHRISTMAS TEA**

It is exciting to announce that once again the Christmas Tea is coming back. It will be held on Wednesday, December 5, at 7 pm, in the Fellowship Hall at our church. Women are needed to host a table of eight. The hostess is responsible to decorate a table with her favorite Christmas dishes, centerpiece, etc. and provide a dessert for her table. We also need ladies who just want to come and enjoy a lovely night out. Entertainment will be provided by the Western Michigan Christian High School Ladies Choir. Sign up sheets for both are provided on the podium. Any questions call Ena Brondyke at 402-4039 or Joyce Van Beek at church at 842-8580.

### **CONNECT**

Come to Connect today at 6 pm. Dinner will be served when you arrive. BBQ's, chips and dip, cole slaw, green beans and scalloped potatoes and cake will be served. Classes will be offered for all ages. Connect will not meet next Wednesday, November 21 as we will hold our Thanksgiving Eve Service then.

### **CHIMES**

Many signed up to play the chimes on Sunday, December 9. Rehearsals will be on Sundays November 18, November 25 and December 2 at 4 pm.

### **THANSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS SERVICES**

We will have a Thanksgiving Eve Service next Wednesday, November 21 at 7 pm. Pastor Mike will bring the message. First CRC of Grand Haven will be joining us for that service. First CRC has invited us SLCRC to join them for their Christmas Service on Christmas Day, December 25 at 10 am and we have accepted their invitation. First CRC is meeting in the Grand Haven Christian School Gym since they are going through a big remodel.

### **BIG BUCK CONTEST**

The Big Buck Contest is under way for members of SLCRC. Check the sheet on the office window. for the latest to see what hunter was successful in shooting a deer.

### **15<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL SOUP FOR ALL EVENT**

Remember the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Soup For All Event, to be Thursday, November 15, 2018 from 11:30 am to 1 pm at St. Patrick –St. Anthony Catholic Church in Grand Haven. This community fundraiser draws hundreds of people annually as The People Center, Salvation Army of Grand Haven, Love in Action, Grand Haven Public Schools Homeless Program receive support.

### **COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING FEAST**

A Community Thanksgiving Dinner will be served on Thanksgiving Day at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Spring Lake from 12 noon to 3 pm. All are welcome. If you wish to request meals to be delivered to your home or place of residence, please call 842-1702 (St. Mary's Church) before Thanksgiving Day . Meals will be delivered between 12 noon and 3 pm.

### **SAVE THE DATE**

**Household Distribution** – November 16.

**Thanksgiving Eve** – There will be a Thanksgiving Eve Service at SLCRC at 7 pm.

**Ladies Christmas Tea** - Wednesday, December 5

**Gingerbread House Build** – Wednesday, December 12 at 6 pm