

News From, For, and About Our Churches

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Our Young People

An Easter Mass Meeting was held in First Church in Grand Rapids for all the area young people on Easter Day at 2:00 p.m. There were many special numbers provided and Rev. Veldman gave a short speech. Christ is risen!!

On April 10 and 11 a Spring Retreat was held at Campy Rogers for the Grand Rapids area young people. There were many fine discussion groups on "Does the *Beacon Lights* serve its purpose?" and also on "Changes in the Church Liturgy." As one "retreater" said, "It was great! It gave us a chance to really share how we feel towards different things in the church and the world."

The annual Young People's Spring Banquet was held on May 1 in the Mayflower Church in Grand Rapids.

An Easter Singspiration was sponsored by the *Beacon Lights* on Easter evening in the Southeast church in Grand Rapids.

Our Pastors

Rev. Schipper has submitted to surgery and is a present recovering. For some weeks the Southeast Church was without their pastor. We hope that he may soon be able to lead his congregation again.

Rev. Heys is home from Jamaica! One April 26 the Holland young people sponsored a "welcome home" singspiration for him in their church.

On April 16 Rev. Lubbers, who was recently also in Jamaica, gave a lecture in the Oak Lawn Church on "The purpose of Missions in the Prot. Ref. Churches."

Our Membership

Confession of faith was made by Miss Jan Van Baren South Holland.

Births

A son, born to Mr. and Mrs. E. Cammenga of Holland.

Marriages

Miss Joan Lubbers of Hudsonville and Mr. John Bouma on April 3.

Mr. Harold Miedema of Hope and Mrs. Wilma Sterk on March 26.

Our Servicemen

These are the new addresses of some of our servicemen.

From Hudsonville: PVT. Doug Miedema 378-60-0221, Co B Bn. 5th B.D.E., Platoon No 3, Fort Polk, Louisiana 71456

From Hope in Walker: PVT. Richard Huizinga 380-54-2614, F.S. Co., A.P.O. New York 09221

From Hope in Walker: PVT. Robert Velthouse 366-52-6180, 602 C. Maintenance Co., Fort Hood, Texas 76544

Miscellaneous

Rev. Van Baren made his audience deeply aware of the Church's duty in these days of relativism and change when he spoke on "The Return of the Glorified Christ" on April 9. The lecture was held in the First Church in Grand Rapids.

The consistory of the Loveland Church has decided to have the congregation recite aloud the Apostles' Creed on Sunday evenings. "That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord

Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.”

The consistory of the Hudsonville Church also decided to institute a change. Instead of having the Communion Service twice on Communion Sunday, it will now be held only in the morning.

Do you value the Reformed confessions and faith enough to tell others about them? There is still time to submit names to your consistories for the distribution of Prot. Ref. Literature.

“The end of all things is upon us, so you must lead an ordered and sober life, given to prayer” (I Peter 4:7).

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