

"FOR, BRETHREN, YE HAVE BEEN CALLED UNTO LIBERTY;
ONLY USE NOT LIBERTY FOR AN OCCASION TO THE FLESH,
BUT BY LOVE SERVE ONE ANOTHER. FOR ALL THE LAW IS
FULFILLED IN ONE WORD, EVEN IN THIS; THOU SHALT LOVE
THY NEIGHBOUR AS THYSELF." GALATIANS 5:13-14



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WELCOME & THEME

Welcome to the 2025 PRC Young People's Convention!

We are thrilled to have you join us from August 11-15, 2025, at the beautiful Springhill Camp in Evart, Michigan. This year, we gather under the theme, "Free to Serve," taken from Galatians 5:13-14:

"For, brethren, ye have been called unto liberty; only use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by love serve one another. For all the law is fulfilled in one word, even in this; Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself."

Throughout the convention, you can look forward to engaging speeches and discussions for learning and fellowship, all in light of this message. We encourage you to participate fully, connect with one another, and make the most of this time together.

We wish you a blessed and memorable time here.

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The Obligations of Grace



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[Stanzas 7-13]

- 2 Through pain and trouble Thou hast led, And humbled all our pride; But, in the end, to liberty And wealth Thy hand did guide. Here in Thy house I give to Thee The life that Thou dost bless, And pay the solemn vows I made When I was in distress.
- 3 Come, ye that fear the Lord, and hear What He has done for me; My cry for help is turned to praise, For He has set me free.
- If in my heart I sin regard, My prayer He will not hear; But truly God has heard my voice, My prayer has reached His ear.
- 4 O let the Lord, our gracious God,
 Forever blessed be, [Him,
 Who has not turned my prayer from
 Nor yet His grace from me.
 O all ye peoples, bless our God,
 Aloud proclaim His praise,
 Who safely holds our soul in life,
 And steadfast makes our ways.



 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.
 Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne, it shall be thy royal throne. Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure-store.
 Take my self, and I will be ever, only, all for thee, ever, only, all for thee.

Frances R. Havergal, 1874

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SPEAKERS

Tuesday, August 12 - Prof. Cory Griess Wednesday, August 13 - Prof. Brian Huizinga Thursday, August 14 - Rev. David Noorman

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Kim Kuiper

<u>HELPFUL QR CODES</u>



Scan the QR code to access links to the Psalter and Hymnal apps, discussion group outlines, camp map, and digital booklet.

CONVENTION SCHEDULE

Monday, August 11, 2025	Location
Bus trip to Springhill Camp	Heritage Christian School
Registration / Tournament Game Sign-Ups / Free Time	Welcome Center
Lunch (Group A 11:45, Group B 12:15)	Dining Hall
Orientation	Olson Auditorium
Mixer Games	Earhart "Main" Field
Free Time	
Dinner (Group A 5:00, Group B 5:30)	Dining Hall
Free Time (Snack at 9:15 - Cafeteria North Porch)	
Starlight Hymn Sing - Mandatory	Main Amphitheater
Evening Devotions	Cabins
Lights Out	
	Bus trip to Springhill Camp Registration / Tournament Game Sign-Ups / Free Time Lunch (Group A 11:45, Group B 12:15) Orientation Mixer Games Free Time Dinner (Group A 5:00, Group B 5:30) Free Time (Snack at 9:15 - Cafeteria North Porch) Starlight Hymn Sing - Mandatory Evening Devotions

Time	Tuesday, August 12, 2025	Location
7:30 - 8:30 AM	Breakfast (Group B 7:30, Group A 8:00)	Dining Hall
9:00 - 9:45	Group Pictures	
10:00 - 11:00	Speech	Olson Auditorium
11:15 - 12:00	Discussion Groups	
12:00 - 1:00	Lunch (Group B 12:00, Group A 12:30)	Dining Hall
1:15 - 4:30	Tournaments, Free Time	
4:30 - 5:30	Dinner (Group B 4:30, Group A 5:00)	Dining Hall
6:00 - 8:15	Team Games	Earhart "Main" Field
8:15 - 10:30	Free Time (Snack at 8:15 - Cafeteria North Porch)	
8:45 - 10:15	Discussion Panel - Mandatory	
11:00 PM	Evening Devotions	Cabins

Time	Wednesday, August 13, 2025	Location
7:30 - 8:30 AM	Breakfast (Group A 7:30, Group B 8:00)	Dining Hall
9:00 - 10:00	Speech	Olson Auditorium
10:15 - 11:00	Discussion Groups	
11:00 - 12:00	Lunch (Group A 11:00, Group B 11:30)	Dining Hall
12:00 - 5:00	Serve One Another Day Activities, Tournaments, Free Time	
5:00 - 6:00	Dinner (Group A 5:00, Group B 5:30)	Dining Hall
6:30 - 9:00	Team Games	Earhart "Main" Field
9:00 - 10:30	Free Time (Snack at 9:00 - Cafeteria North Porch)	
11:00 PM	Evening Devotions	Cabins

Time	Thursday, August 14, 2025	Location
7:30 - 8:30 AM	Breakfast (Group B 7:30, Group A 8:00)	Dining Hall
9:00 - 10:00	Speech	Olson Auditorium
10:15 - 11:00	Discussion Groups	
11:00 - 12:00	Lunch (Group B 11:00, Group A 11:30)	Dining Hall
12:30 - 2:00	Mad Dash	Tubing Hill
2:00 - 4:30	Free Time, Slip & Slide	
4:30	Banquet Church Pictures	Olson Auditorium
5:00 - 8:30	Banquet - "Summer Carnival"	
8:30 - 9:30	Banquet Show	Olson Auditorium
9:30 - 11:30	Free Time (Snack at 9:45 - Cafeteria North Porch)	
10:00 - 10:45	Psalter / Hymn Sing (Optional)	
11:30 PM	Evening Devotions	Cabins

Time	Friday, August 15, 2025	Location
7:30 - 8:30 AM	Breakfast (Group A 7:30., Group B 8:00)	Dining Hall
9:00 - 9:45	Closing Devotions	Olson Auditorium
9:45 - 10:15	Pack & Clean Rooms	
10:15	Load Buses	Welcome Center
10:45 - 12:30	Michigan Bus Trip	Heritage Chr. School
10:45 - 2:00	Illinois Bus Trip	

DINING SCHEDULE

Monday Lunch: Group A 11:45 - 12:10, Group B 12:15-12:45 Monday Dinner: Group A 5:00 - 5:25, Group B 5:30 - 6:00

Tuesday Breakfast: Group B 7:30 - 7:55, Group A 8:00 - 8:30 Tuesday Lunch: Group B 12:00 - 12:25, Group A 12:30 - 1:00 Tuesday Dinner: Group B 4:30 - 4:55, Group A 5:00 - 5:30

Wednesday Breakfast: Group A 7:30-7:55, Group B 8:00 - 8:30 Wednesday Lunch: Group A 11:00 - 11:25, Group B 11:30 - 12:00 Wednesday Dinner: Group A 5:00 - 5:25, Group B 5:30 - 6:00

Thursday Breakfast: Group B 7:30 - 7:55, Group A 8:00 - 8:30 Thursday Lunch: Group B 11:00 - 11:25, Group A 11:30 - 12:00

Friday Breakfast: Group A 7:30 - 7:55, Group B 8:00 - 8:30

TEAM GAMES SCHEDULE - TUESDAY

GAME 6:20-6:40 6:40-7:00

#1 Stuffed Crust Pizza	Team A	Team B	Team D	Team Y
#2 Carpool Chaos	Team C	Team D	Team A	Team F
#3 Bounce House Books of the Bible	Team E	Team F	Team C	Team H
#4 Slip n Ride	Team G	Team H	Team E	Team J
#5 Colossal Kickball	Team I	Team J	Team G	Team L
#6 Head to Bed	Team K	Team L	Team I	Team N
#7 Trampoline Charades	Team M	Team N	Team K	Team P
#8 Splash Strike	Team O	Team P	Team M	Team R
#9 Domino Effect	Team Q	Team R	Team O	Team T
#10 Pictionary Prowl	Team S	Team T	Team Q	Team V
#11 Puzzle of Points	Team U	Team V	Team S	Team X
#12 Extreme Rock Paper Scissors	Team W	Team X	Team U	Team Z
#13 Team Transportation	Team Y	Team Z	Team B	Team W



TEAM GAMES SCHEDULE - TUESDAY

GAME 7:00-7:20 7:20-7:40

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#1 Stuffed Crust Pizza	Team F	Team W	Team H	Team U
#2 Carpool Chaos	Team H	Team Y	Team J	Team W
#3 Bounce House Books of the Bible	Team A	Team J	Team L	Team Y
#4 Slip n Ride	Team C	Team L	Team A	Team N
#5 Colossal Kickball	Team E	Team N	Team C	Team P
#6 Head to Bed	Team G	Team P	Team E	Team R
#7 Trampoline Charades	Team I	Team R	Team G	Team T
#8 Splash Strike	Team K	Team T	Team I	Team V
#9 Domino Effect	Team M	Team V	Team K	Team X
#10 Pictionary Prowl	Team O	Team X	Team M	Team Z
#11 Puzzle of Points	Team Q	Team Z	Team B	Team O
#12 Extreme Rock Paper Scissors	Team B	Team S	Team D	Team Q
#13 Team Transportation	Team D	Team U	Team F	Team S



TEAM GAMES SCHEDULE - TUESDAY

GAME 7:40-8:00 8:00-8:20

#1 Stuffed Crust Pizza	Team J	Team S	Team L	Team Q
#2 Carpool Chaos	Team L	Team U	Team N	Team S
#3 Bounce House Books of the Bible	Team N	Team W	Team P	Team U
#4 Slip n Ride	Team P	Team Y	Team R	Team W
#5 Colossal Kickball	Team A	Team R	Team T	Team Y
#6 Head to Bed	Team C	Team T	Team A	Team V
#7 Trampoline Charades	Team E	Team V	Team C	Team X
#8 Splash Strike	Team G	Team X	Team E	Team Z
#9 Domino Effect	Team I	Team Z	Team B	Team G
#10 Pictionary Prowl	Team B	Team K	Team D	Team I
#11 Puzzle of Points	Team D	Team M	Team F	Team K
#12 Extreme Rock Paper Scissors	Team F	Team O	Team H	Team M
#13 Team Transportation	Team H	Team Q	Team J	Team O

GAME 6:40-7:00 7:00-7:20

#1 Stuffed Crust Pizza	Team O	Team N	Team P	Team M
#2 Carpool Chaos	Team P	Team Q	Team O	Team R
#3 Bounce House Books of the Bible	Team R	Team S	Team Q	Team T
#4 Slip n Ride	Team T	Team U	Team S	Team V
#5 Colossal Kickball	Team V	Team W	Team U	Team X
#6 Head to Bed	Team X	Team Y	Team W	Team Z
#7 Trampoline Charades	Team Z	Team A	Team Y	Team B
#8 Splash Strike	Team B	Team C	Team A	Team D
#9 Domino Effect	Team D	Team E	Team C	Team F
#10 Pictionary Prowl	Team F	Team G	Team E	Team H
#11 Puzzle of Points	Team H	Team I	Team G	Team J
#12 Extreme Rock Paper Scissors	Team J	Team K	Team I	Team L
#13 Team Transportation	Team M	Team L	Team N	Team K

GAME 7:20-7:40 7:40-8:00

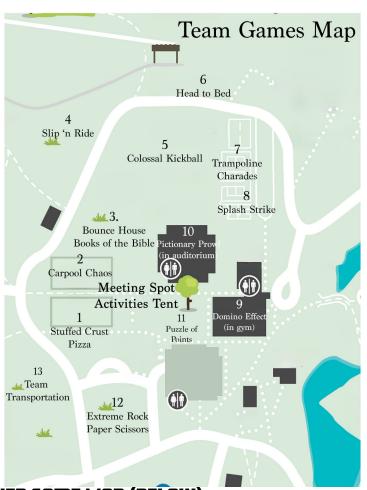
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#1 Stuffed Crust Pizza	Team R	Team K	Team T	Team I
#2 Carpool Chaos	Team T	Team M	Team V	Team K
#3 Bounce House Books of the Bible	Team O	Team V	Team X	Team M
#4 Slip n Ride	Team Q	Team X	Team O	Team Z
#5 Colossal Kickball	Team S	Team Z	Team Q	Team B
#6 Head to Bed	Team U	Team B	Team S	Team D
#7 Trampoline Charades	Team W	Team D	Team U	Team F
#8 Splash Strike	Team F	Team Y	Team W	Team H
#9 Domino Effect	Team A	Team H	Team J	Team Y
#10 Pictionary Prowl	Team C	Team J	Team A	Team L
#11 Puzzle of Points	Team E	Team L	Team N	Team C
#12 Extreme Rock Paper Scissors	Team N	Team G	Team P	Team E
#13 Team Transportation	Team P	Team I	Team R	Team G

GAME 8:00-8:20 8:20-8:40

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#1 Stuffed Crust Pizza	Team V	Team G	Team X	Team E
#2 Carpool Chaos	Team X	Team I	Team Z	Team G
#3 Bounce House Books of the Bible	Team Z	Team K	Team I	Team B
#4 Slip n Ride	Team M	Team B	Team D	Team K
#5 Colossal Kickball	Team O	Team D	Team F	Team M
#6 Head to Bed	Team Q	Team F	Team O	Team H
#7 Trampoline Charades	Team S	Team H	Team Q	Team J
#8 Splash Strike	Team U	Team J	Team S	Team L
#9 Domino Effect	Team W	Team L	Team N	Team U
#10 Pictionary Prowl	Team N	Team Y	Team P	Team W
#11 Puzzle of Points	Team P	Team A	Team R	Team Y
#12 Extreme Rock Paper Scissors	Team R	Team C	Team T	Team A
#13 Team Transportation	Team T	Team E	Team V	Team C

GAME 8:40-9:00

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#1 Stuffed Crust Pizza	Team Z	Team C
#2 Carpool Chaos	Team E	Team B
#3 Bounce House Books of the Bible	Team D	Team G
#4 Slip n Ride	Team F	Team I
#5 Colossal Kickball	Team H	Team K
#6 Head to Bed	Team J	Team M
#7 Trampoline Charades	Team O	Team L
#8 Splash Strike	Team N	Team Q
#9 Domino Effect	Team P	Team S
#10 Pictionary Prowl	Team R	Team U
#11 Puzzle of Points	Team T	Team W
#12 Extreme Rock Paper Scissors	Team V	Team Y
#13 Team Transportation	Team X	Team A





1. Providence PRC

2. Randolph PRC

3. Hosanna PRC

4. Hull PRC

5. Faith PRC

6.The Seminary7. Unity PRC

7. Unity PRC 8. Trinity PRC

9. Heritage PRC10. Holland PRC

11. Edgerton PRC

12. Hope PRC, GR

13. Georgetown PRC14. Crete PRC

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FREE TIME ACTIVITIES & TOURNAMENTS

Camp Activities

Limited Availability - See Daily Announcements

Zipline Climbing Wall Laser Taa Water Slide

Outdoor Pool Indoor Pool Giant Swing Water Blobs

Activities Requiring Sign Ups

Escape Room (located in Auditorium):

Scan the QR code at the activity tent to sign up for your chance to challenge yourself or your team to 'escape' the room. Sign up individually or grab 3-4 friends to complete the challenge together. Duration: 45 Minutes Available Times: Tuesday 1:15pm, 2:15 pm, and 3:15pm; Wednesday 12:30pm, 1:30pm, 2:30pm. and 3:30pm

Nerf Battle (Start at Activity Tent):

It's a "scavenger hunt meets senior assassin" with nerf guns! Scan the QR code at the activity tent to reserve your time slot. You can sian up individuallu or in teams of 2 or 3. Hit all the targets on the challenge list and return to the activity tent with your photo proof! Duration: 45 Minutes

Available Times:

Monday: 6:00pm, 7:00pm, 8:00 pm Wednesday: 12:30pm, 1:30pm, 2:30pm, and 3:30pm

Paint Project (F

Paint Project (Endeavor Center)
Stop by and sign your name. Add some
art or your favorite Bible verse!

Open Activities	Location
Volleyball	Inside Endeavor Center
Pickleball	Outdoor Pickleball Court
Basketball	Inside Endeavor Center
Dodgeball	Outdoor Courts
Spikeball	Activity Tent
Soccer	Soccer Field
Flag Football	Soccer Field
Gaga Ball	Outdoor Courts
Bean Bags	Activity Tent
Bucket Golf	Activity Tent
Kan Jam	Activity Tent
Crafts & Games	Endeavor Center

Mezzanine

Fishing (Canoe Beach at Jasper Beach)

Equipment available at Canoe Beach from 7:00am-8:00am on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday

OMC = Civic	Minded Christian	S			
FS = Friend-	Servants				
LOA = Living	out the Antithes	is			
PM = Peacer	nakers				
TWT = Tech	-Wise Teens				
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Divided into	"B" (boys) and "C	3" (girls) groups			
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CLBW #2	2	CLBW #2	2	B #2	2
CMC#1	3	CLBW #3	3	B#3	3
FS#1	4	CMC #1	4	B #4	4
FS#2	5	CMC #2	5	B #5	5
FS#3	6	FS#1	6	B #6	6
FS#4	7	FS#2	7	B #7	7
FS#5	8	FS#3	8	B 48	8
FS#6	9	LOA#1	9	B #9	9
FS#7	10	LOA #2	10	B#10	10
FS#8	11	LOA#3	11	B#II	11
LOA#1	12	LOA#4	12	G#2	13
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PM #4	18	PM #5	18	G#8	19
TWT #1	19	TWT #1	19	G#9	20
TWT #2	20	TWT #2	20	G#10	21
TWT #3	21	TWT #3	21	G#11	22

TUESDAY DISCUSSION GROUP TOPICS, LOCATIONS, & LEADERS

Group	Leader	Support	Location	
Christian Living in a Broken World #1	Prof. Huizinga	Heidi Kleyn	Endeavor - Snack Shack	
Christian Living in a Broken World #2	Rev. Eriks	Matthew Kaiser	Endeavor - Catapult	
Civic Minded Christians	Rev. Mahtani	Rhonda Van Bemmel	Endeavor - Summit	
Friend-Servants #1	Tim Key	Josie Dykstra	Dining Hall	
Friend-Servants #2	Andy Bylsma	Jennifer Eriks	Dining Hall	
Friend-Servants #3	Joe Ophoff	Danae Karsemeyer	Dining Hall	
Friend-Servants #4	Angela Postma	Corey Terpstra	Dining Hall	
Friend-Servants #5	Jordan Vander Kolk	Lauren Dykstra	Chapel	
Friend-Servants #6	Rachelle Vander Kolk	Peter Chesebro	Peaks - Hayes	
Friend-Servants #7	Melissa Schimmel	Carol Boeve	Peaks - Hawkins	
Friend-Servants #8	Joel Holstege	Lanae Holstege	Main Office Conference	
Living Out the Antithesis #1	Prof. Kuiper	Michael Booth	Freedom Hall	
Living Out the Antithesis #2	Joel Van Egdom	John Van Baren	Main Office Downstairs	
Living Out the Antithesis #3	Eric Mowery	Cheryl Geertsma	Gym	
Peacemakers #1	Jodi Baker	Jared Kraker	Lillie Station	
Peacemakers #2	Rev. McGeown	Terri Boven	Olsen - North Wing	
Peacemakers #3	Chris Dykstra	Tricia Brummel	Olsen - South Wing	
Peacemakers #4	Brian Kalsbeek	Lanae Holstege	Olsen Auditorium	
Tech-Wise Teens #1	Michael Hoekstra	Matt Elzinga	Olsen Auditorium	
Tech-Wise Teens #2	Jonathan Drnek	Rhonda Zuverink	Gym	
Tech-Wise Teens #3	Carter Dykstra	Randy Veldman	Gym	

WEDNESDAY DISCUSSION GROUP TOPICS, LOCATIONS, & LEADERS

Group	Leader	Support	Location
Christian Living in a Broken World #1	Jodi Baker	Joel Holstege	Endeavor - Snack Shack
Christian Living in a Broken World #2	Rev. McGeown	Randy Veldman	Endeavor - Catapult
Christians Living in a Broken World #3	Prof. Huizinga	Rhonda Zuverink	Endeavor - Summit
Civic Minded Christians #1	Brian Kalsbeek	Terri Boven	Dining Hall
Civic Minded Christians #2	Jonathan Drnek	Lanae Holstege	Dining Hall
Friend-Servants #1	Lauren Dykstra	Danae Karsemeyer	Dining Hall
Friend-Servants #2	Michael Hoekstra	Carol Boeve	Dining Hall
Friend-Servants #3	Carter Dykstra	Josie Dykstra	Chapel
Living Out the Antithesis #1	Andy Bylsma	Jennifer Eriks	Peaks - Hayes
Living Out the Antithesis #2	Prof. Kuiper	Cheryl Geertsma	Peaks - Hawkins
Living Out the Antithesis #3	Jordan Vander Kolk	Heidi Kleyn	Main Office Conference
Living Out the Antithesis #4	Joel VanEgdom	John Van Baren	Freedom Hall
Living Out the Antithesis #5	Angela Postma	Jordan VanBaren	Main Office Downstairs
Peacemakers #1	Tim Key	Jennifer Kalsbeek	Gym
Peacemakers #2	Rachelle Vander Kolk	Matt Elzinga	Lillie Station
Peacemakers #3	Rev. Jonathan Mahtani	Corey Terpstra	Olsen - North Wing
Peacemakers #4	Eric Mowery	Rhonda Van Bemmel	Olsen - South Wing
Peacemakers #5	Rev. Eriks	Michael Booth	Olsen Auditorium
Tech-Wise Teens #1	Melissa Schimmel	Peter Chesebro	Olsen Auditorium
Tech-Wise Teens #2	Joe Ophoff	Matthew Kaiser	Gym
Tech-Wise Teens #3	Tricia Brummel	Chris Dykstra	Gym

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THURSDAY DISCUSSION GROUP TOPICS, LOCATIONS, & LEADERS

Group	Leader	Support	Location	
B #1	Joel Van Egdom	Michael Booth	Endeavor - Snack Shack	
B #2	Jordan Vander Kolk	Eric Mowery	Endeavor - Catapult	
B #3	Joe Ophoff	Peter Chesebro	Endeavor - Summit	
B #4	Rev. Mahtani	Rev. McGeown	Dining Hall	
B #5	Prof. Kuiper	Matt Elzinga	Dining. Hall	
B #6	Tim Key	Corey Terpstra	Dining Hall	
B #7	Prof. Huizinga	Carter Dykstra	Dining Hall	
B #8	Michael Hoekstra	Chris Dykstra	Chapel	
B #9	Rev. Eriks	Joel Holstege	Gym	
B #10	Jonathan Drnek	Matthew Kaiser	Gym	
B #11	Andy Bylsma	Brian Kalsbeek	Main Office Conference	
G #1	Rachelle Vander Kolk	Cheryl Geertsma	Freedom Hall	
G #2	Angela Postma	Melissa Schimmel	Main Office Downstairs	
G #3	Jodi Baker	Josie Dykstra	Gym	
G #4	Heidi Kleyn	Terri Boven	Lillie Station	
G #5	Danae Karsemeyer	Rhonda Zuverink	Olsen - North Wing	
G #6	Lauren Dykstra	Lanae Holstege	Olsen - South Wing	
G #7	Tricia Brummel	Heather Veldman	Olsen Auditorium	
G #8	Carol Boeve	Alyssa VanBaren	Olsen Auditorium	
G #9	Rhonda Van Bemmel	Shelly Vander Kolk	Gym	
G #10	Jennifer Eriks	Lacey Key	Peaks - Hayes	
G #11	Jennifer Kalsbeek	Annica Kuiper	Peaks -Hawkins	

OUTLINE: CHRISTIANS LIVING IN A BROKEN WORLD

Christians Living in a Broken World: Living and Walking Alongside Those with Depression and Anxiety

Read Philippians 4:6-7, II Timothy 1:7, Psalm 55:22, Isaiah 41:10. Nearly every Christian will experience anxiety or depression at some point in their lives. They are complex subjects and there is not one simple answer to "solve" either depression or anxiety. They are a form of suffering for Christians, and depression and anxiety as suffering can work purposeful, redemptive change in the Christian life. God can and does use this suffering for the believer's good.

- What does depression look like? What does anxiety look like? Is it only a medical problem?
- 2. Who experiences depression and anxiety? Does it look the same in men and women? Are there stigmas around those who experience depression or anxiety?
- 3. Knowing that God has His people walk many different paths in this life, what can be some causes for depression and anxiety? Can there be a biological component to the cause of depression or anxiety? Can culture affect or even cause depression or anxiety?
- 4. Why do people of God who walk through similar trials respond differently? How does our spiritual maturity affect our response? How do environmental factors influence us? Are there physical components to our response?
- 5. How are we to handle it when we realize depression or anxiety in ourselves?
- 6. What resources are available to us?
- 7. People who are depressed often isolate themselves from family and friends. What is the proper response of loved ones? How can we encourage those we know who are experiencing depression or anxiety?
- 8. Can you think of Biblical examples or strategies for how God's people have dealt with anxiety or depression?
- 9. In Psalm 42, David speaks of his soul being "cast down." He cries out to God in his trouble. He expresses the depth of his pain and longing for worship. David confesses God's faithfulness and declares God to be his God even in trouble. How can you apply this example in your life?
- 10. Philippians 4:6 says, "Be careful for nothing..." and Matthew 6:34 reminds us to "take no thought for the morrow." But doesn't everyone worry at times, especially about the future? How should we understand these verses when it comes to worry and anxiety? How can we apply these truths to our everyday lives?

Challenge: Memorize a simple Bible verse that can be an encouragement in times of anxiety or depression. The Christian is not promised an easy life. We walk through many trials and temptations that can lead to anxiety and depression. Through all these things it is important to remember that our God never leaves us, or forsakes us (Hebrews 13:5). He has also given us fellow members in the body of Christ to lean on when we need encouragement. Understanding some of the challenges and difficulties in dealing with depression and anxiety can help better equip us when the storms of life come. "Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him and he shall direct thy paths." Proverbs 3:5-6

Standard Bearer articles to reference for guidance and further books about depression.

Broken Minds: Hope for Healing Witen You Feel Like You're Losing it, by Steve and Robyn Bloem. Reviewed by Martyn McGeown in SB Vol 91, Issue 01. Depression: A Stubborn Darkness, by Edward T. Welch. Reviewed by Martyn McGeown in SB Vol 93, Issue 07.



OUTLINE: CIVIC MINDED CHRISTIANS

Civic-Minded Christians: Aware and Engaged with our Government

We are called to be civic-minded Christians. This means first recognizing, according to Romans 13:1-7, that the source of our government and its authority is from God. But our government will not always seek the good of the church (II Timothy 4:3-4). We must learn how to submit to and obey a government that promotes evil. To obey as commanded in the Word, we must first be aware of what our government is doing, and secondly engaged with our government, so that we can serve the neighbor, uphold our values, and defend the truth.

- 1. Read Romans 13:1-7. Who or what is the source of our government and its power? We are called as Christians to submit to the government. Should this submission be conditional or unconditional?
- 2. What does submission look like in our lives?
- 3. What is the difference between unconditional submission and unconditional obedience? How ought Christians to respond if the government commands something against God's commandments?
- 4. Read II Timothy 4:3-4. This passage outlines how men (and in this case, men in the government) will seek to deceive and destroy the church, especially by false teachers who have "itching ears." There are many people in our government who seek to deceive and destroy the church. How do they do this?
- 5. What should the Christian do to discern truth from deception? What are some things that we as Christians can do to support each other during times of deception and persecution?
- 6. Because the government will try to deceive the church, this means that we as Christians must be aware of what our government is doing. What are some things that we can do to be aware of our government's actions?
- 7. Not only should we be aware of what our government is doing, but we should be engaged in our government. What does this look like?
- 8. One of the most important ways we can be engaged with our government is by voting. Why is voting an important civic activity for Christians? What principles should guide Christians when they vote and what should we look for in a candidate? If there are two candidates who are both imperfect or unsatisfactory, should we boycott the election or vote for the lesser of two evils?
- 9. We are called by Scripture to seek the good of our neighbors. How can we live out this calling by voting?
- 10. How engaged should Christians be in the government beyond voting? Could a Christian run for office with the hope of reforming our nation?

Challenge: Have discussions with fellow Christians about how we can discern truth from deception in our day and age (II Timothy 4, I John 4), encourage each other to participate in civic activities like voting so that we can seek the good of our neighbors (Galatians 6:9-10), and commit to praying every week that we remain civic-minded Christians and that our government leaders make wise decisions that seek the good of the citizens under them and glorify our Father in Heaven (1 Timothy 2:1-2).

OUTLINE: FRIEND-SERVANTS

Friend-Servants: Developing Proper Christian Friendships

Read I Thess. 5:11, Proverbs 18:24, John 15:12-13. God created humans to be social creatures. We need close, meaningful interactions with others. Jesus has given us the perfect example of friendship. We are also given many other godly examples in the Bible such as David and Jonathan, Ruth and Naomi, the disciples, etc. Friendship uses the bond of God's love to bring people together in a common faith with the goal of glorifying His name and living in service to His kingdom.

- 1. What does friendship mean to you? Who do we consider our friends?
- 2. What does the Bible say about friendship? Does the Bible say anything about what friendship is not?
- 3. What are some traits of a godly friend? What are some things that shouldn't be present in a healthy friendship?
- 4. Are there guidelines that the Bible gives us about who we should be friends with? Why should we desire friendships with fellow believers? Should we pursue friendships with those who are not confessing believers?
- 5. True friends hold each other accountable. What are some things we need to hold each other accountable for? What are practical ways we can encourage doing good and fleeing sinful influences?
- 6. Because friendship is between two sinners, friends may need to bring a rebuke to one another. How can we do this gently? Should friends simply put up with each other's inconsistencies? What is the calling in regard to a friend who is falling into deep sin?
- How would you address a friend when there is manipulation, control, or jealousy creeping into the friendship?
- 8. If a friendship ends for either a good or bad reason, how should you treat this person in the future?
- 9. To have good friends we must be good friends ourselves. How can we examine our own behaviors in friendship and find encouragement to be better friends?

Challenge: I will think about the kind of friend I am to others and what I can do to encourage friendship with others. The reward of a godly friendship is a beautiful relationship of growing together in Christ and a reflection of the friendship of the Trinity. Having a true servant's heart, you will cherish others, value them for who God made them to be, and reflect His unconditional love for His children. Be encouraged to look to Jesus as the perfect example of friendship.



OUTLINE: LIVING OUT THE ANTITHESIS

Living Out the Antithesis: Putting off the World & Putting on Christ

Read Romans 12:1-10. The antithesis refers to separation and opposition between darkness and light, believer and unbeliever, church and world, good and evil. Verse 2 helps us understand the antithesis by teaching, "Be not conformed to this world; but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind" and verse 9 says, "...Abhor that which is evil; cleave to that which is good." Keep these verses in mind as we discuss the antithesis further.

- 1. What defines what is good? (see Matt. 7:21; Mark 10:17ff)
- 2. Romans 12:3 speaks of "grace given unto me." Without the gift of grace, whom would you serve? How is living according to God's will actually freedom? How is the world trying to convince you that making your own rules is better?
- 3. Does being raised in a Christian home and community make us take this gift of grace for granted? How different would your life look if you were raised in a worldly home instead? Apply this to how you spend Sundays, what you are taught at school, your sexuality, and other aspects of your life.
- 4. Verse 3 says, "not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think; but to think soberly." What is the connection between pride and humility and living the antithesis? When we put ourselves in tempting situations, how are we being proud? What kind of accountability can we give ourselves to keep us from worldly temptations?
- 5. Verses 1 and 5 bring out that "we...are one body in Christ" and "that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service." How will finding your identity in Christ and being aware that you are a member of His body have an effect on the choices you make?

Read Ephesians 4:17-32. The antithesis is not just *knowing* the difference between good and evil, but living out that difference in our daily lives. The antithesis is rejecting that which is evil <u>and</u> doing that which is good (God's will). We can look at this as putting off the world and putting on Christ. Verse 22, "That ye *put off* concerning the former conversation the old man" and verse 24, "And that ye *put on* the new man..." Let's apply this same principle, of putting off and putting on, to some practical things a young person will have to make decisions about. Keep in mind, what should you put off? And what should you put on?

- 1. How should we start our day? Using social media, listening to podcasts, and checking out of the latest highlight reels and scores are not necessarily bad things. But at what point do they become wrong?
- How and when do we use our gifts and talents properly?
- 3. How can we apply this principle to our dating relationships? How about to the music we listen to and entertainment we enjoy?
- 4. In what other areas in life must we replace worldly behavior with godly, positive behavior in order to replace the worldly behavior for good?

Challenge: Identify one area in your life where you can put off worldly behavior. Make a plan for what you will put on in its place. Living out the antithesis begins in the heart and what you set your affections on. Colossians 3:1-2, "If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above.... Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth." Let's encourage one another to set our hearts on the things of God and not of this world.

OUTLINE: PEACEMAKERS

Peacemakers: Navigating Conflict with Wisdom

Read Matthew 5:9, Romans 12:18, II Corinthians 5:18, Ephesians 4:30-32. As members of the body of Christ, we are called to live in peace and unity with one another (Col. 3:15). Although conflict and trouble are inevitable in a sinful world, our response to it should reflect the humility and love of Christ. When we face conflict with other members in the body of Christ, the words of James 1:19 should be our guide: "Let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath ...".

- 1. What should be the driving force in our hearts when dealing with another person over a disagreement, sin, or conflict? How can we determine what is a small issue that can be ignored, or something more important (like sin) that needs to be addressed?
- 2. We must realize that everyone we have contact with is a sinner in need of grace, and none more so than ourselves. In Matthew 7, we are warned to remove the beam from our own eye before pointing out the mote in our brother's eye. Knowing our own sin and weakness, how can we ever address the sins of others?
- 3. Ephesian 4:15 says, "But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ." Conflicts often escalate when people are determined to speak "their truth." Even Christians with differing views on an issue may both believe that they are speaking the truth and have proof texts from Scripture. How do we determine what truth is? What does it mean to speak the truth in love and how can it resolve conflict?
- 4. God calls us to love our enemies, do good to those who hate us, and pray for those who mistreat us (Matt. 5:44). How can we live out this command with someone who hasn't acknowledged their sin or asked for forgiveness?
- 5. Sometimes a relationship with another person can be plagued by repeated conflict and trouble. Consider Job's friends, whom he called "miserable comforters" (Job 16:2). Are there times when we need to distance ourselves from friends who create stress and show patterns of toxic behavior? How do you determine when you need to draw boundaries in friendship? What might those boundaries look like?
- Conflicts with friends can be sensitive and hurtful. Give your thoughts on how to handle the scenarios below:
 - After a basketball game, you overhear friends planning to go out, but you weren't invited. How do you respond?
 - You receive a text from a friend that wasn't meant for you and it includes something hurtful about you. What do you say?
 - A friend has chosen to leave your denomination for another church. How do you
 respond when challenged about your membership in your church? How can you be
 "ready to give an answer" (I Peter 3:15)?
- 7. What are some things we can do in our lives to grow in humility and patience towards others? How can we practice being "swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath"?

Challenge: This week, I will take time to reflect on how I handle conflict and disagreements. Choose one situation, whether in person or online, where you can practice being "swift to hear, slow to speak, and slow to wrath." Before responding, pause and ask yourself: How can I reflect the humility and love of Christ in this moment? Our motivation is the beautiful promise of Jesus in Matthew 5:9, "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the children of God."

OUTLINE: TECH-WISE TEENS

Tech-Wise Teens: Discernment in a Digital Age

Read Philippians 2:1-11. This passage reminds us of the importance of humility in the body of Christ. We read of the perfect example of our Savior, who gave up the glories of heaven to suffer the humiliation of the cross for our sins. Freed from the bondage of sin and selfishness, we must put on the mind of Christ and strive to live in love and service for our neighbor.

The mind of Christ must shape how we use social media and engage with others online. As we discuss digital discernment, think about the importance that humility has in all of our interactions with others, both digitally and face-to-face.

- 1. Talk about how social media has shaped your lives as teens in 2025 compared to someone growing up 30 or 40 years ago. What social media platforms do you use? Do you think teens are better connected today than 30 years ago? Why or why not?
- 2. In Phil. 2:4, Paul calls us to look "on the things of others". It is easy to "look on the things of others" as we scroll through Instagram and TikTok, but what is Paul really describing here? How does the use of social media inhibit this calling, rather than promote it?
- 3. What current social media trends do you see as potentially problematic for a Reformed young person? Where have you seen social media harm relationships within the body of Christ?
- 4. We have been "called unto liberty" (Gal. 5:13) to serve one another. How can social media interfere with the time we dedicate to serving others? How does it impact your prayer life, Bible study, or service in the church? Are there ways to use social media to better serve others in the church?
- 5. James 4:6 says, "God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace to the humble." Everyone struggles with varying levels of pride and selfishness. How does social media feed our pride? In what ways can we foster humility in our lives?
- 6. Name some of the positive aspects of technology/social media in our lives. How can we use it to the glory of God and for the benefit of others?
- 7. Consider the following list of suggestions for fostering digital discernment and building healthy habits with technology. Are there any suggestions that you already implement in your use of technology? Any that interest or challenge you? How else can you encourage wise use of social media and technology in your day-to-day life?
 - Delete nonessential and time-wasting apps. Turn off nonessential app notifications.
 - At night, keep your phone out of your bedroom. Use a real alarm clock so your phone is not the first thing in your hands in the morning.
 - When eating with your friends or family members, leave your phone out of sight.
 - Try a digital Sabbath-one day offline each week.
 - . Invite your friends and family members to offer feedback on your phone habits.

Challenge: I will use discernment in my use of social media, striving to have the mind of Christ in all my communications. Someday we will stand before our holy God and answer for every word that we text, every meme that we share, every Snapchat that we send, and every reel that we watch. There is no such thing as clearing our browser history before the eyes of the omniscient God. Our prayer is Psalm 19:14, "Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, O LORD, my strength and my redeemer." May God give us wisdom and discernment in our use of social media so that we may exhibit the mind of Christ within us.

Adapted from the book 12 Ways Your Phone is Changing You by Tony Reinke, 2017.

Life, Liberty, & the Pursuit of Service: Young Women in the Church

Read Romans 6:14-23. We were once enslaved to sin, bound by its power and separated from God. But through His sacrifice on the cross, Jesus has set us free and given us righteousness in Him. Our convention theme from Galatians 5:13 reminds us that we have been set free to serve, "For, brethren, ye have been called unto liberty; only use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by love, serve one another." Our new liberty in Christ isn't about doing whatever we please; it's about living in joyful obedience, using our gifts to build up the body of Christ and reflect His love. Serving within the church is not just a duty, but a privilege—an outpouring of the freedom we have received in Christ.

- 1. Galatians 5:13 says we are free in Christ but called to serve one another in love. The idea of being free, yet a servant, seems contradictory. Is it? How can we use our freedom to serve rather than focus on ourselves?
- 2. Jesus washed His disciples' feet (John 13:12-17) as an example of humble service. What does this teach us about the attitude we should have when serving?
- 3. Almost all acts of service first involve pushing ourselves out of our comfort zone. What are some common excuses we might give for not serving in the church? How can we overcome those obstacles?
- 4. Are there times when we might be called to serve outside of our apparent gifts and abilities? Can you think of someone in the Bible who was ill-equipped for their calling, yet conducted it faithfully in submission to God's will?
- 5. What are some practical ways young women can serve others, even if we feel like we don't have special gifts or experience? Think of needs that you see in your church or community. How can we, as young women, help meet those?
- 6. In Luke 10:38-42, Jesus gently corrects Martha for being overly distracted with serving, while commending Mary for listening at His feet. What does this teach us about the balance between worship and service? Discuss the importance of our desire to serve coming from a heart that is first devoted to Christ, rather than from stress, duty, or seeking approval.
- 7. Proverbs 31 describes a woman of godly character who serves her family and community. How can young women today display that spirit of service in practical ways?
- 8. Women played significant roles in the New Testament church (Mary Magdalene, Lydia, Priscilla), yet we know that the roles of women in the church are different from men. In a society that promotes a distorted view of feminism and female empowerment, how can young women use their God-given gifts to serve and lead in ways that honor biblical teaching on church leadership? (See Romans 12:4-7, Acts 18:26, Titus 2:3-4, I Timothy 2:9-12.)
- 9. Think of a time when you were able to serve within your church or community. What did you learn about yourself? What did you learn about the body of Christ? How did that experience affect your faith?

Challenge: I will be mindful of the great gift of freedom I have in Christ, and use that freedom to give of myself for others. As you look for specific ways to be involved in your church and serve others, be aware of the temptation to serve out of pride. The temptation to have others notice us and earn the praise of men can be strong. To fight against this temptation, challenge yourself to conduct a small act of service that no one notices. See what you learn about yourself and the work of serving others (Col. 3:23-24).

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- 2. Why do you think Jesus calls us to serve one another? How does serving reflect His love?
- 3. Jesus demonstrated servant-leadership by washing His disciples' feet (John 13:12-17). What does this teach young men about leading through service rather than seeking status or recognition?
- 4. Almost all acts of service first involve pushing ourselves out of our comfort zone. What are some common excuses we might give for not serving in the church? How can we overcome those obstacles?
- 5. The United States of America was founded on principles of liberty and the right to certain freedoms. How is the liberty we enjoy in Christ different from the liberty we enjoy as citizens of the USA? Do we have a proper understanding of spiritual liberty?
- 6. Paul encourages Timothy to set an example for other believers (1 Timothy 4:12). How can young men today lead by example through serving in their church and community? What men in your church or community have been good examples for you? What of their examples do you want to emulate?
- 7. Sometimes young men hesitate to serve because they feel unqualified or uncertain. Are there times when we might be called to serve outside of our apparent gifts and abilities? Can you think of someone in the Bible who was ill-equipped for their calling, yet conducted it faithfully in submission to God's will? How can we overcome fear or doubt and serve confidently in the areas where God has called us?
- 8. What are some practical ways young men can serve others, even if we feel like we don't have special gifts or experience? Think of needs that you see in your church or community. How can we, as young men, help meet those?
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For Discussion Group leaders:

Here is a list of opportunities for both men and women (young and old) to serve in the church.

- Be present at church functions, lead/attend Bible studies, join in other activities. To serve
 your church, you must first know your church (and be known.) Your very presence is an
 encouragement to the older saints that God's covenant promise is extended to their
 generations (Deut. 7:9).
 - As a young person, attend Young People's Societies, Young Adults Discussion groups, YP Mass Meetings, Young Calvinists' events, etc.
 - Join a service trip, volunteer at Special Needs Week, be a Student Council member, serve on the YP Fed Board, help with the Young Calvinists' committee, etc.
- Visit those who are in need (maybe with friends!). Go Christmas caroling, host a game night with the older saints, find ways to spend time with the older generation. Ask them questions ...they have endless stories and a lot of wisdom!
- As you get older, join a church committee: Evangelism, Sunday School, church picnic, convention planning, choir director, accompanist, church library, etc.

Examples for men specifically:

- Officebearers-elders/deacons/pastors
- Usher, valet, lead song service, service committee (give example of HPRC)
 - School board member

Examples for women specifically:

- "Helping Hands" committee to bring meals and care for those in need
- Nursery attendant, librarian, Sunday School teacher
 - Organize fundraisers, join a school Mothers' Club, serve as a room mother, host a kids' storytime at church, etc.

EVENING DEVOTIONALS

TRUE KNOWLEDGE

John 14:6, II Timothy 3:1-7, Prov. 9:10

We live in an age of almost limitless information at our fingertips. We are constantly bombarded with the newest trends, fads, and opinions from self-proclaimed experts on every topic under the sun. We are drowning in an ocean of information, yet still thirsty for knowledge. Il Timothy 3:7 warns of those who are "ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth." This is a serious danger for us today. What truth is Paul talking about? How do we come to a knowledge of the truth? What is the difference between having information and having knowledge? Why is it important to step away from the noise of news and delve into the Scriptures? What practical steps can we take to ensure that we aren't just consuming information, but are truly seeking to know God?

WHY PRAY?

James 5:16, Phil. 4:6-7, Matthew 7:7-8, Psalm 145:18

Why do God's people pray? Doesn't God already know all of our needs? And if we believe in God's eternal plan, isn't everything already determined in our lives? What's the point of bringing our requests to God? We know that God commands us to pray in the Bible. What is the deeper purpose of prayer, beyond just asking God for things? How might prayer change us, even if it doesn't change our circumstances? Read Phil. 4:6-7. Does this passage help to answer some of our questions? Share some prayer requests. Pray together, or even take turns to pray aloud if comfortable.

FINDING REST IN JESUS

Matthew 11:28-30

If you were asked to describe Jesus to someone, what would you say about Him? What two adjectives does Jesus use in Matthew 11:29 to describe Himself and who He is at His very heart? Do you think of Jesus as being approachable? Why or why not? Are you ever hesitant to bring your cares, concerns, anxieties, and especially sins to Jesus in prayer? If yes, why? How will understanding that Jesus is gentle and lowly cause you to grow in your relationship with Him? How can we follow Christ's example, and be more compassionate, gentle, and lowly with each other?

ENDURING FAITH

Job 13:15

What does it mean to have faith like Job in times of suffering? Think of a time when your faith was tested. How did you respond? What helped you to hold on? Remembering past experiences of God's faithfulness can help us to trust Him during current struggles. Are there moments in your life where you saw the presence of God clearly? What are some habits or choices that we can establish and make to help us grow an enduring faith?

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EVENING DEVOTIONALS

I AM NOT MY OWN

Heidelberg Catechism, Lord's Day 1

Discuss the beautiful confession we make in Lord's Day 1 of the Heidelberg Catechism: "I am not my own, but belong unto my faithful Savior Jesus Christ." What does this mean for the child of God? How does this look personally in our own lives? What comfort does this bring us? How can we do better?

FAVORITE BIBLE PASSAGES

Almost all of God's children have a favorite Bible passage (or many!) from the time when they were very young. Take some time to think of some favorite Bible verses. What do these verses teach you about God? Why do you love them? Maybe they've brought you comfort in a difficult time, maybe someone special first shared them with you, or maybe you just find the phrasing especially beautiful. If you are willing, please share one of your favorite passages and briefly explain why it's meaningful to you.

TUESDAY DISCUSSION PANEL

Denominational Differences in Doctrine and Worship: What is Actually Important?

This year's panel discussion will focus on questions that get to the root of denominational differences in doctrine and worship. Have you ever wondered why we worship the way that we do? What about how we are to view doctrinal differences in other denominations? What is really important and what is not? How are we supposed to view those who attend churches in other denominations? Are different styles of worship wrong? Is there anything we can learn from other denominations? Come and bring any questions relating to this topic and learn from our panelists!

Moderator: Rev. Garry Eriks Panelists: Prof. Brian Huizinga, Prof. Cory Griess, Rev. Audred Spriensma, and Rev. Martyn McGeown

Submit Questions for Discussion Panel:



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2025 PRC YOUNG PEOPLES FEDERATION BOARD MEETING

- 1. Opening Prayer and Devotions
- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Motion to raise young people's dues
 - a. The Fed Board voted in favor of a proposal to raise the annual Young People's dues from \$20 to \$30. The current dues have been \$20 for many years and are not currently covering the increase there has been in travel expenses. Most of the additional dues will go towards covering travel expenses to and from conventions. A travel subsidy fund has also been established with participating Protestant Reformed churches to contribute to. It is our hope that this, along with raising the dues will give more breathing room for steering committees working out travel expenses and conventioneers who are traveling from out of state.
- 4. Motion to make amendments to the Fed Board Constitution
 - a. Proposed Amendment to Article 9 of the Constitution: "Two advisors, who shall give council and guidance, shall be chosen from the ministry or eldership of our churches. At least one of the advisors shall be from the ministry. They shall attend all executive board meetings and shall be encouraged, but not required, to attend the annual convention."
 - b. Proposed Amendment to Article 3 of the Bylaws: Remove Librarian from the first paragraph as we do not keep one on the committee anymore.
 - c. Proposed Amendment to Article 7 of the Bylaws: "It is encouraged that all elections of officers be made from members of the Federation or former members no more than 8 years removed from membership."
- 5. Motion to change the convention format on a trial basis
 - a. Note concerning the proposal: The Fed Board voted in favor of this proposal for a new convention format. This was addressed in the December issue of last year's Beacon Lights. Since then, more discussion has been had and details ironed out. This convention format will be for a 3 year trial basis only, but the Fed Board has determined that it is a necessary next step due to future problems with the sizes that our conventions will be. The Fed Board is sending this proposal to the Delegate Board at convention 2025 with a strong recommendation that they adopt it.
 - b. First Year Convention Proposal The Convention Coordinator Committee would like to propose a separate convention for the conventioneers entering their sophomore year of high school taking place the same week as the main convention (first year of eligibility). We are proposing this as a maximum three year trial starting in 2027. At the end of each convention we would need to evaluate the following items in order to see the feasibility of continuing this format.
 - i. What is the cost of each convention vs just one convention?
 - ii. Are we able to shorten the time frame of planning the convention for the large convention?
 - iii. Has the number of conventioneers gone up or down based on the new format?
 - iv. Is this new format easier or harder for the CCC to help the host churches?
 - c. For trial purposes we would hope to contain these conventions to the Great Lakes Region. The final goal is not to have this convention to be held only in Michigan, but to expand this convention to smaller churches. This gives more churches an opportunity to showcase their church, and to be able to host a convention that would otherwise not be possible if it was a full convention.

2025 PRC YOUNG PEOPLES FEDERATION BOARD MEETING

- i. Grounds
 - I. This additional convention would help to address the size of the conventions:
 - 1. The size of conventions makes it difficult to find camps capable of hosting a convention. This years total 482
 - The size makes it difficult for a church to take on that big of a convention.
 - Organizing the first-year convention would be an easier undertaking for a smaller church, and the activities at this convention could be repeated year over year. This years first year conventioneers - 153
- ii. For first-year conventioneers, but especially for those from smaller churches/communities, adding a smaller convention for just the first-year conventioneers will make conventions more approachable and less intimidating.
- iii. With a separate convention for the first-year conventioneers, the convention can be tailored to the specific needs and concerns of these conventioneers and assist them in building friendships in their age groups before continuing to the bigger convention. It also provides an opportunity to better establish the rules and expectations of conventions.
- 6. Vote for new members for the Fed Board

Vice President: Mitch Koole, Nick Kuiper Vice Treasurer: Jared Kraker, Calvin VanBemmel Events Coordinator: Larissa Brands, Brittney VanOverloop Spiritual Advisor: Rev. David Noorman, Prof. Brian Huizinga

Vice Secretary: Hannah Kamps

- 7. Motion to Adjourn
- 8. Close with Prayer

2025 PRC YOUNG PEOPLES SOCIETY DELEGATES

Byron Center PRC
Mekenzie Lubbers
Sonhia Overbeek

Cornerstone PRCTJ VanderMeulen

Austin Zandstra

Faith PRC Jacob Scholten Jayden Westra

First PRC Grand Rapids

Eric Phelps Jacob Hop Ethan Kleyn

First PRC Holland

Caleb Looyenga Avery Dykstra

Georgetown PRC

Quinton Dykstra Megan Visser

Grace PRC

Samantha Meulenberg Chase Kooienga

Grandville PRC

Andrew Pastoor James VanderKolk

Hope PRC Grand Rapids

Jeremy Rutgers
Joey Oosterhouse

Hudsonville PRC

Jonathan Hoekstra Sam Duthler

Pittsburgh PRC

Michael Tolsma Noah Gurevich

Providence PRC

Morgan VanderSchaaf Blake Pipe

Southeast PRC

Oliver Kuiper Nathan Kerkstra

Southwest PRC

Ethan Looyenga Jordan Kuiper

Trinity PRC

Austin VanderKolk Amber DeVries

Unity PRC

Colten Mingerink Ellie Eriks

Wingham PRC

Chad Geertsma Isabella Vermeersch

Zion PRC

Everett Kamps Joel VanOverloop

Calvary PRC

Ty Brummel Skylar Van Bemmel

Covenant of Grace PRC

Kalamazoo PRC

Crete PRC

Hunter Regnerus lan Lenting

Doon PRC

Luke De Jong Alex Wynia

Edgerton PRC

Heritage PRC

Hope PRC of Redlands

Brielle Feenstra Joseph Karsemeyer

Hosanna PRC

Hull PRC

Simon Andringa Sam Baker

Immanuel PRC

Joshua Span Luke Wierenga

Loveland PRC

Mason Griess Seth Brands

Lynden PRC

Zoe Dykstra Nikki Kuiper

Peace PRC

Miriam Marcus Tessa DeJong

Randolph PRC

Jason Krosschell Brayden Buteyn



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Holly Feenstra Cheryl Geertsma Heidi Haveman Michael Hoekstra Lanae Holstege Marissa Holstege Nathan Holstege Joel Holstege Brian Huizinga Matthew Kaiser Jennifer Kalsbeek Brian Kalsbeek Danae Karsemeyer Timothy Key Heidi Kleyn Bryce Kooienga Tyler Kraker Kim Kuiper Prof. Doug Kuiper Rev. Jonathan Mahtani

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CONVENTION RULES - 2025

Convention week is intended to be a time of spiritual enrichment and fellowship for the young people of our denomination. We believe that all conventioneers know what is expected of them. However, we all need guidelines to govern us at times. As host, Hudsonville Protestant Reformed Church will require all conventioneers and chaperones to abide by these rules so we can honor Christ, respect each other, and have an enjoyable time.

- Choice of clothing for all events including swimming and the banquet will be modest and demonstrate love for God and the neighbor.
 - For Men: Shirts with sleeves torn or cut, or sides cut out, are not allowed. Shirts must be worn whenever you are not swimming.
 - For Women: Swimsuits must have full-covering tops & bottoms and no bare midriffs. Shirts and shorts must be worn over suits whenever you are not swimming. Clothing must not expose the trunk part of the body in any position (e.g. shirts that can leave a bare midriff, chest, or sides). Shorts or skirts must be at least mid-thigh length. Sports bras and leggings are not independently-sufficient coverings.
 - · Shirts, shorts, and shoes must be worn when inside all buildings.
 - Hats may not be worn during prayers, devotions, speeches, or discussion groups.
 - If a Chaperone thinks your clothing is inappropriate, you will be asked to change.
 Additional violations will be referred to the Discipline Committee.
- No water or food fights in the camp facilities and dining hall.
- No illegal drugs, smoking, vaping, chewing tobacco, or alcohol.
- No over-the-counter sleep inhibitors such as No-Doze, Monster, etc.
- No knives, matches, lighters, fireworks, explosives, or any type of weapon.
- No pranks, theft, vandalism or graffiti. You will be responsible to pay for any damage or loss. We will show respect for other people and their property.
- No pets or other animals are allowed in buildings.
- No unauthorized swimming without lifeguard supervision, and no use of activities for which SpringHill requires staff when no staff are present.
- Cell phones will be allowed during free time and games for phone calls or taking
 pictures. They may not be used during speeches or discussion groups, except for
 singing and Bible reading. Chaperones have the right to take away phones if they
 feel you are abusing this privilege.
- Boys are not allowed in girls' buildings, nor are girls allowed in boys' buildings.
- Conventioneers and chaperones are expected to stay on SpringHill grounds at all times, and off any private property within the camp.
- At the time devotions are scheduled to begin, all conventioneers must stay in their buildings. If you leave your building after this time, your parents may be notified, and you may be expelled from the convention.
- If you are expelled from the convention, you and your parents are responsible for getting you home.

Discipline: The young person who is expelled will be held responsible for sending a letter of apology to the Federation Board and the host church Steering Committee showing true remorse for their misconduct. Upon receiving this letter, the Federation Board may grant the young person reinstatement toward future conventions.

CONVENTIONEERS

Bethel URC: Elsie Bomers, Kennedy Engelsma

Byron Center PRC: Alayna Lubbers, Allyson Nead, Cassidy Kuiper, Dana Bleyenberg, Daniel Langerak, Elsie VanTil, Hailey Mingerink, Isaac Ophoff, Izaak Boorsma, Jack Mingerink, Jessica Gunnink, Joshua Hekstra, Lucas Lubbers, Mekenzie Lubbers, Nicholas Dykstra, Patience Chesebro, Sarah Bleyenberg, Sophia Overbeek, Sydney Lubbers

Calvary PRC: Addyson De Jager, Ali Van Der Brink, Annica Van Bemmel, Aubyn Boogerd, Brendan Van Maanen, Carly Brummel, Colton Westra, Hadley Driesen, Jaylie De Jager, Joshua Boonstra, Kerstin Brummel, Kylie Schiemeyer, Mattias Vis, Maya Driesen Skyler Van Bemmel, Ty Brummel, Tyce Klein, Whitney Westra

Castledawson Presbyterian Church in Ireland: Anna Foster, Lily Foster

Cedar Church OPC: Colin Corson, Nolan Corson

Cornerstone URC: Benjamin Overway

Cornerstone PRC: Aiden DeJong, Austin Zandstra, Bryce De Jong, Caiden De Jong, Emmett Verburg, Jenna Schaaf, Landon Armendariz, Maddy Lenting, Marta Vander Meulen, Max Dykstra, Sophie Armendariz, TJ Vander Meulen

Covenant PRC of Northern Ireland: Abbie Moore, Joshua Carmichael, Taylor Carmichael, Jack McCaughern, Samuel Graham

Covenant URC: Landon Kamps

Crete PRC: Aaron Boverhof, Calvin Engelsma, Collin Dykstra, Deklan Haak, Douglas Mancusi, Hunter Regnerus, Ian Lenting, John VanderMeulen, Kendra VanOerloop, Micah Olsson, Owen Smits, Rafe Medema, Vada Medema, Zack Lentina

Doon PRC: Alex Wynia, Danica Blankespoor, Kara De Jong, Lanae Kuiper, Luke De Jona

Edgerton PRC: Emily Boverhof

Faith PRC: Alaina Uittenbogaard, Brady Holstege, Brielle Van Overloop, Claire Van Dyke, Cristina Spronk, Derek Den Hartog, Dylan Van Til, Elise Bruinooge, Emery Scholten, Ethan denHartog, Gerrit Brummel, Jack Byker, Jacob Scholten, Jaimeson VanOverloop, Jay Zandstra, Jayden Westra, Jordan Koole, Kinsley Mowery, Kohen Hanko, Lauryn Looyenga, Luke Deemter, Maci Holstege, Matthew Korhorn, Melanie Westra, Micah Hanko, Olivia Uittenbogaard, Olivia Wigger, Samantha Koole, Sydney Brummel, Troy Zandstra

First Byron CRC - Avery Noorman

First PRC Grand Rapids: Autumn Knott, Chase VanPutten, Eli Dykstra, Eric Phelps, Ethan Kleyn, Grant Hop, Jimmy Whiteley, Joanna Lehrman, JohnOwen Griess, Leah Pastoor, Levi Baldwin, Salem Griess, Simeon Griess, Stephen Kuiper, Trevor Hayes, Jacob Hop

First PRC Holland: Alex Gritters, Amber Kuiper, Avery Dykstra, Caleb Looyenga, Ella VanOverloop, Evelyn Langerak, Hayley Gritters, Isabelle Steenwyk, Lawrence Steenwyk, Martin Langerak, Nelle Cnossen, Owen Boverhof, Shelby Kuiper Georgetown PRC: Aaron Spriensma, Aiden VanBaren, Ainsley Jurgens, Analise Pols, Bryce Schipper, Carter Potjer, Cohen VanBaren, Cole Visser, Daniel Ondersma, David Langeland, Elijah Horvat, Evan Bomers, Jacob Penna, Jordyn Kalsbeek, Josie Brummel, Kimberly Korhorn, Landon Kooienga, Maddie Kooienga, Madison Lubbers, Megan Visser, Olivia Bleyenberg, Quinton Dykstra, Trenton Holstege, Tristan Ritsema, Zachary Pols

Grace Immanuel RBC: Anna Kamps

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Grace PRC: Brice Feenstra, Brooklynn Meulenberg, Chase Kooienga, Evan Kleyn, Jadon Langerak, Julie Kleyn, Lucy Schimmel, Malea Moelker, Olivia VanDenTop, Phin Leep, Samantha Meuelenberg, Seth Leep, Sidney Vander Veen, Simon Windemuller

Grandville PRC: Addy Baas, Alyse Van Dyke, Andrew Pastoor, Anthony Mowery, Ava Langerak, Brody Schimmel, Caitlin Brands, Caleb Vink, Cowen Van Overloop, Danielle Bylsma, Easton Schimmel, Ella Baas, Ellery Engelsma, Everley Schipper, Jace Cammenga, Jacob DeBoer, Jacob Huizinga, James Vander Kolk, Karli DeBoer, Kristen DeBoer, Logan Kamps, Mallory Vander Kolk, Oliver Vander Kolk, Tressa DeVries, Tyler Kaiser, Violet Schipper

Harvest OPC: Anna Hassevoort, Grace Velthouse

Hope PRC Redlands: Avery Feenstra, Brandon Karsemeyer, Brelynn Gritters, Brielle Feenstra, Elly Hopkins, Joseph Karsemeyer, Logan Gaastra, Lydia den Hartog, Peyton Hopkins, Stefan Den Hartog, Taylor Den Hartog

Hope PRC Walker: Alanna Kalsbeek, Annika Kamps, Avery DeVries, Caleb Schipper, Clair Kalsbeek, Colton Huizinga, Emma Bosveld, Graham DeMeester, Jenna DeVries, Jeremy Rutgers, Joseph Oosterhouse, Leah Kalsbeek, Lydia Minderhoud, Madison Schwarz, Micah Kuiper, Miriam Kuiper, Ondra Kalsbeek, Ruby VanUffelen, Sara DeVries, Tyler Tanis, Wyatt Wassink

Hosanna PRC: Kailyn Ferguson

Hudsonville PRC: Allison VanderMeulen, Andrew Duthler, Annikkah Brower, Ashlee Feenstra, Ashlyn VanOverloop, Avery Zuverink, Brennen Gritters, Camden Gritters, Cody Feenstra, Davis Dykstra, Ella Butler, Emma Gritters, Janelle Feenstra, Jared Holstege, Joelle Cnossen, Jonathan Hoekstra, Kenton Butler, Levi Zuverink, Lexi Boverhof, Malaya Kamps, Maraya VanOverloop, Owen Zuverink, Paige DeBoer, Samuel Duthler, Tyler Gritters

Hudsonville Reformed: Josiah VanderKolk, Addison Drnek **Hull PRC**: Amos Andringa, Boyd Groeneweg, Braelynn Davelaar, Bryce Uittenbogaard, Gracia Kooima, Keely Groeneweg, Kierra Keynen, Samuel Baker, Simon Andringa

Immanuel PRC: Annika Gallagher, Hayley Gallagher, Joshua Span, Luke Wierenga, Martin Goosen, Neil Goosen, Olivia Wierenga

Loveland PRC: Adam Kooienga, Alaura Moore, Bailey Tolsma, Bethany Kortus, Brennen Kooienga, Brooklyn Carson, Caleb Carson, Colin Scritchfield, Deborah Pipe, Ella Holstege, Hannah Cammenga, Jacob Tash, Jaelle Poortinga, Jori Kamps, Joseph Pipe, Joshua Moore, Josiah Bos, Kara Van Bemmel, Kate Moore, Logan Scritchfield, Marie Mowery, Mason Griess, Rebecca Griess, Sarah Moore, Seth Brands, Tyler Pipe

Lynden PRC: Cody Kuiper, Mason Dykstra, Nicole Kuiper, Zoe Dykstra **Peace PRC**: Andrew Regnerus, Ava De Jong, Brianna Dykstra, Cameron Terpstra, Carson Houck, Claire Bruinsma, Elliott Baldwin, Emmalie Dykstra, Hudson Bruinsma, James Regnerus, Kennedi Poortinga, Miriam Marcus, Neil Bosman, Nicole De Jong, Owen DeJong, Tessa DeJong

Pittsburgh PRC: Jason Tolsma, Michael Tolsma, Noah Gurevich, Shane Mahtani **Providence PRC**: Anna Foster, Blake Pipe, Gavin Heyboer, Gerrit Bol, Hannah Kleyn, Jake Koole, Keegan VanDyk, Liam Heyboer, Lily Foster, Mara Kuiper, Morgan VanderSchaaf, Peter VanderSchaaf

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Randolph PRC: Alyssa VanderVeen, Ann Regnerus, Aubrey Regnerus, Brayden Buteyn, Gracia Van Baren, Jason Krosschell, Joelle Van Baren, Natalie Hoksbergen, Nicole Krosschell, Zoe Huizenga

Southeast PRC: Caleb Kortering, Drew Kortering, Elaina Flikkema, Graylynn McKinney, Greyson Flikkema, Jack Jabaay, Landon Kerkstra, Lauren Flikkema, Nathan Kerkstra, Oliver Kuiper, Owen Jabaay, Quinn Kerkstra, Vanessa Pipe Southwest PRC: Alicia Lubbers, Anna DeVries, Avery Hanko, Brayden Cleary, Brooke Lubbers, Caleb Vaalburg, Ethan Looyenga, Gavin Kuiper, Jordan Kuiper, Kendra Kuiper, Laci Potjer, Lee Kamps, Levi Kooienga, Lyla Kuiper, Sawyer Petroelje, Taylor Hanko

Trinity PRC: Amber DeVries, Ayla Holstege, Beka Bylsma, Blake Kuiper, Conner VanSingel, Devin Machiele, Eli Kamps, Grady Machiele, Grant Dykstra, Hailey Velthouse, Hattie Karsemeyer, Jayson Hanemaayer, Kailyn DeBoode, Kent Kuiper, Laelle Terpstra, Levi Dykstra, Levi Schimmel, Lucas Van Baren, Luke Drnek, Maddy Noorman, Madison Schimmel, Madison Van Overloop, Marisa Van Overloop, Mason Fisher, Maya Velthouse, Natalie Bylsma, Paige Vander Kolk, Piper Holstege, Samuel Dykstra, Tressa Lenting

Unity PRC: Alivia Van Overloop, Charlie Dommissee, Chloe Mingerink, Colten Mingerink, Dalton Buiter, Danae Van Baren, Ellie Eriks, Jordyn Medemblik, Justin Elzinga, Kaden Mingerink, Madison Dykstra, Maggie Lubbers, Natalie Dykstra, Sadie Mingerink

Wingham PRC: Anabelle Vermeersch, Chad Geertsma, Isabella Vermeersch, Megan Geertsma

Zion PRC: Abbie Koole, Alexis Looyenga, Andrew Westra, Austin Griffioen, Bailey Dykstra, Breydan Doezema, Cambria Rau, Cameryn DeBoer, Carmen Dykstra, Casey Karsemeyer, Conner Gunnink, Cory Van Oostenbrugge, Eli Brummel, Everett Kamps, Isaac Kamps, Isaac Westra, Jacoba Kalsbeek, Joel VanOverloop, Landon Koole, Laura Kamps, Levi Koole, Lyla Rus, Madalyn Karsemeyer, Meghan Kooienga, Micah Rau, Micah Vink, Morgan Karsemeyer, Natalie Van Uffelen, Paige Decker, Shane Cnossen, Toby Holstege, Treyton VanBaren

2026 CONVENTION PREVIEW

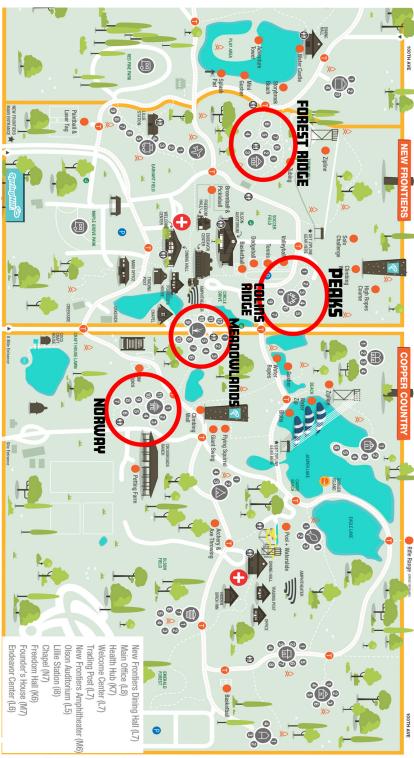


Theme: Cherishing His Church Psalm 26:8 "Lord, I have loved the habitation of thy house,

and the place where thine honour dwelleth."

August 10-14, 2026

Camp Chautauqua -Miamisburg, Ohio





Forest 1. Xylem 2. Biltmore Stick

Ridge 3. Canopy 4. Broadleaf 5. Conifer 6. Clearcut 7. Shelterwood 8. Crown

Colins Ridge Peaks & 7 Harvard 8. Pikes 4. Rainier

9. Colins Ridge 9a. Cascade. 1. Whitney 2. St. Helens. 3. Shasta 5. Longs 6. Hood

9b. Cavern. v9c. Canyon 9d. Caldera

4 Wintergreen 5 Trillium 6 Clover 7 Primrose 8 Chicory 9 Dandelion 10. Marigold 11. Foxglove 12. Snapdragon

Meadowlands

1. Coralroot 2. Calypso 3. Heartleaf

Norway

4. Porcupine 5. Wolf 6. Bobcat 10. Moose 11. Elk 7. Coyote 8. Bear 9. Dear 1. Fox 2. Muskrat 3. Wolverine