

## CHURCH CALENDAR AND EVENTS

January 22	9:30 a.m. Elders meet for prayer
January 22	9:45 a.m. Sunday School for all ages
January 22	11:00 a.m. Worship Service & Officer Installations
January 22	5:00 p.m. Adult Choir Practice
January 22	6:00 p.m. Sunday Evening Activities
January 24	6:45 p.m. Women's Bible Study at the home of Marilyn Brooks
January 29	5th Sunday Covered Dish Lunch
February 5	Music Conference Meeting
February 7	2:00 p.m. Sunshine Sisters to meet at the home of Barbara Moses
February 12	4:30-7:00 Opening Gospel Conversations Training

## LOVE OFFERING

It was mentioned by a member that we consider taking up a "Love Offering" for the Evans. I spoke to Rev. Evans for a good bit on last Sunday morning and he didn't indicate any needs other than for our continued prayers.

Charles and Carolyn have been a beloved part of our congregation for many, many years. Not just when he served as Pastor, but during all the times he has filled our pulpit over the years. Especially during our search for a new pastor, when he spent many hours with our congregation checking on their needs and lifting their spirits only to have to stop when Carolyn's health began to falter.

There are many needs that we, as a congregation, have addressed lately and many more that will probably come up in the future, but, personally, I would like to see us take up a collection from those members who choose to donate, not so much to meet a financial need that the Evans may have (although my guess is that the insurance company is leaving many charges for them to cover) but to show the depth and breath of our love and God's love for them.

The Session has approved a Love Offering to be taken up for Rev. and Mrs. Evans to show our love and support for them. If you know of someone who may want to donate but may not be aware of the offering, please let them know.

Place the donations in a special offerings envelope or otherwise clearly mark them as being for the love offering and put them in the collection plate on either Sunday Jan. 15th or Sunday Jan. 22nd or get them to the church secretary by Friday Jan. 27th. ~Rob Elliotte

## VISITORS, PRAYERS & PRAISE

If you are a visitor and interested in learning more about our church and the Associate Reformed Presbyterian denomination, please see one of the greeters in the vestibule. If you would like to receive our newsletter or other information about our church, by mail or by e-mail, please provide us with any pertinent information using the Yellow Friendship Register found in your bulletin. You may place it in the offering plate or in the wooden Church Office box, located in the vestibule, as you leave this morning. The Yellow Friendship Register can also be used to submit prayer requests or notes of praise.

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

The Friendship Sunday School class is in need of a van driver who would alternate with the current two drivers. The need will begin in April. This is a great ministry opportunity. Could your spiritual gift be to drive the van? Romans 12:6 says, "Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them..." Please be in sincere prayer about whether the Lord would have you drive and/or for the Lord to burden the right person's heart to drive. If you have questions see one of our deacons.

## MISSIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

The Missions Committee will meet on Wednesday, January 25th at 7:00 p.m. Anyone interested in what is going on in Missions or getting involved is invited to attend.

## MUSIC CONFERENCE MEETING

If you are interested in attending or being involved in the Music Conference this year, we will have a brief meeting on Sunday, February 5th immediately following the service. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss plans for our Soup Lunch Fundraiser.

## 5TH SUNDAY COVERED DISH

This is just a reminder that on January 29th we will have a covered dish meal following the service. Please plan to join us for this time of fellowship.

## FLOWER CHART FOR 2017

A new chart has been placed in the vestibule for 2017. If you have questions at all please see Nancy Roach or Cathy Best. They both make sure that there are flowers placed even if there are no sign ups. Cathy is responsible for the even months and Nancy takes care of the odd months. Please consider contributing this year.

