



SECOND THOUGHTS

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March 2005

Maundy Thursday Dinner and Communion

Come to the Maundy Thursday Dinner/ Communion Service, Thursday evening, **March 24**, beginning at **7:00 pm**. We will bring food to share, sit around a single large table, sing, celebrate Jesus, and join in communion with Jesus and one another.

A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board. Please put down your name and the number of people in your family who will be attending, as we want to be sure to set the right number of places.

Easter Sunday Service

Easter Sunday Worship Service is **Sunday, March 27th**. **Curly Boelhouwer** and **Hap Harris** have volunteered to bring some goodies for a simple, festival coffee hour. If anyone else would like to contribute to Easter morning coffee hour, please contact Hap Harris.

Easter Flower Plants *Hyacinths Replacing Daffodils*



Order forms for gifts of Tulips, Lilyies or Hyacinth plants for Easter Sunday are available on the tables at each door of the church, or you may use the form included with this newsletter.

This year will be slightly different. We are not offering daffodils. The daffodil crop hasn't been the best over the past few

years, therefore, we are replacing them with Hyacinths. Gifts may be made in memory of a loved one or in honor of friend, family member or fellow church member still living. Cost of floral gifts remain as they were the past few years: \$10.00 for all flowers.

Please print legibly when completing the form so we can spell names correctly. Attach your check for the proper amount to the order form when you return it. Place it in the offering plate, in Kathy's mailbox at the base of the office stairs or return by mail to the church office, 100 College Ave., New Brunswick, NJ We must receive the order forms by **March 13th**.



Many thanks go out to our "Brunch Boys", **Curly Boelhouwer** and **Hap Harris** for last Sunday's, February 27th, "Double Header Brunch". Also helping them with this victorious venture were **Ellie Holz**, **Judie & John O'Shea**, **Toni Patton**, **Tom Williamson**, **Joan, Judy & Sharon Boelhouwer**, & **Alison Esther** (and her girl scout troop). Also thank you to **Walt Holz** and other members who donated food for the brunches.

The Neighbor's Breakfast was a success. Many homeless and their families came out and enjoyed stacks of pancakes, eggs, bacon, and danish. We served more than expected.....and almost ran out of food!

After worship, **Helmut Horr** led our congregational meeting with **Suzanne Wade**

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presenting the 2005 budget. Many questions and concerns were taken from the floor. Sue led us in discussing where our church is heading financially over the next few years.

Another congregational meeting will be held in April to elect new Elders and Deacons. These Offices are two of the most important within the church; those who hold them have responsibility for the membership and property of the congregation, and for seeing that both we and the assets we have been given are used to bear faithful witness to the Good News of Jesus Christ. More details to come.

The congregation also presented Benni Molnar Willman with a bouquet of flowers thanking her for displaying her artwork in the Narthex on Sundays in February. Benni donated 20% of her sales to the church. If anyone is interested in purchasing any of her work, you can contact her at 732 249-0394 or pick up one of her business cards located in the Narthex.

News for Women and Seniors

Women's Lunch

Women's lunch will be Tuesday, **March 8th**. Come join us and invite others to meet at 12:00 noon for lunch. Don't forget your bagged lunch. Come prepared while we continue our study of "The Sweet Life", Chapter 5 by Louis Lotz. All are welcome.

Older Adult Spring Fling Fellowship

The Warwick Center is sponsoring a "Spring Fling" at the Warwick Conference Center,

April 24—28, 2005. It is an Elderhostel-like program that includes Bible study sessions, educational lectures, extra-curricular activities and, of course, lodging and meals. It is a great week of Christian fellowship, fun and learning, and it is a very reasonably-priced getaway for the senior folks of our congregation. Registration forms, payment and

more detailed information is posted on the bulletin



Reformed History Lecture

The Reformed Church of Highland Park is inviting you and members of our church to join with their members for a full day of history called, "Reformed In America."

This will be hosted by Dr. John Coakely. This event will be held on Saturday, **March 5th** from 9am-4pm. You will learn about the roots of our denomination. The event is free, except for a \$7 fee for a catered lunch.

Please let them know by Thursday **March 3rd** how many will be attending (there is a cap. so please let them know). They can be reached at 732 249-7349 or by email: seth.kaper-dale@juno.com.



Church Bulletin Bloopers....

Taken by the First Reformed Church newsletter

- ☺ The Fasting and Prayer Conference includes meals.
- ☺ Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a change to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Don't forget your husbands.
- ☺ Barbara remains in the hospital and needs blood donors for more transfusions. She is also having trouble sleeping and requests tapes of Pastor's sermons.
- ☺ Eight new choir robes are currently needed due to the addition of several new members and to the deterioration of some older ones.
- ☺ The ladies of the church have cast off clothing of every kind. They may be seen in the basement on Friday afternoon.
- ☺ Weight Watchers will meet at 7:00 pm. at the First Presbyterian Church. Please use large double door at the side entrance.