# HERITAGE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

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#### SONG OF THE WEEK

#### Nearer, Still Nearer

(8<sup>th</sup> grade class song)

Nearer, still nearer, close to Thy heart, Draw me, my Savior, so precious Thou art. Fold me, O fold me close to Thy breast; Shelter me safe in that haven of rest.

Nearer, still nearer, nothing I bring, Naught as an off'ring to Jesus, my King – Only my sinful, now contrite heart; Grant me the cleansing Thy blood doth impart. Nearer, still nearer, Lord, to be Thine, Sin with its follies I gladly resign, All of its pleasures, pomp, and its pride; Give me but Jesus, my Lord crucified.

Nearer, still nearer, while life shall last, Till safe in glory my anchor is cast; Through endless ages, ever to be Nearer, my Savior, still nearer to Thee.

### (One Final) HOT LUNCH (Thanks, hot lunch ladies!)

May 28 - Marco's

#### From the Fair Restaurant Committee for the Hudsonville Fair, August 23 - 28

Shift Sign-ups: Ready for some end-of-the-school-year math? There are 246 families represented at Heritage Chr. School and 269 total shifts for a 6-day fully staffed restaurant. This fundraiser in past years has raised upwards of \$60,000 for the school, which in turn, keeps tuition down for these aforementioned 246 families. If every family would volunteer to work just 1 6-hour shift, there would be 23 remaining shifts to fill. Currently, there are 63 open shifts, with many families signing up for more than 1 shift, as well as a good amount of other supporters who are filling shifts. With 4 ½ days left of school, it would be pretty fantastic if we filled the remaining 63 shifts! Go to <a href="www.signupgenius.com">www.signupgenius.com</a> and search the email address, <a href="heritagehudfair@gmail.com">heritagehudfair@gmail.com</a>, which then directs you to the shift schedule.

Any questions, please contact Ronda Van Bemmel at 616-401-8851.

Food/Gift Card Donations Sign-ups continue as well on SignupGenius! We are asking for gift cards and food items donations for our restaurant, which will reduce expenses and help our restaurant succeed. Please bring your donated items to school BY NEXT THURSDAY and place them in the totes which are located just inside both the main and elementary entrances. Please bring gift cards into either office.

**Morning Food Prep Helper Needed:** Anyone willing to prep food Tuesday and/or Wednesday mornings (7:30-11) of fair week? Contact Tara Koole at 616-808-6237 if you are able to or have any questions.

It takes a TEAM to obtain success, and we'd love it if you joined our team! THANK YOU!

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

May 31 – Memorial Day Break June 2 – K-3 Field Day June 3 – ½ Day of school, Graduation We express our deepest sympathy to Brenda Pastoor, Marlene Haan, and Wilma Overway in the passing of Mr. Calvin Yonker (Brenda's dad and Marlene and Wilma's brother in law). The funeral was held today. Revelation 22:5: "And there shall

be no night there; and they need no candle, neither light of the sun; for the Lord God giveth them light: and they shall reign for ever and ever."

Today's memo will be the final one for the 2020-21 school year. Please read it over carefully! There is a lot of important information in here! Any new announcements between now and the end of the school year will be emailed out to the parent email list.

## SCHOOL NEWS

The COVID committee is aware of the June 1 changes to gathering orders. We are working to get approval to implement them for the night of our graduation. When or if something changes, and we hope it does, parents of graduates will be informed.

We will not have school next week Monday, due to the Memorial Day holiday.

Our final day of the year is next week Thursday, June 3. School will dismiss that day at 11:30 AM. There will NOT be public busing at the end of that day. During our final all-school devotion of the year, Mr. B Kuiper reflected on the past year, a year that we have concluded only with the help of the Lord. "...students have worked diligently and in dedicated ways to produce their homework and their tests, and to give evidence of learning, but also done other things in service to the school—

taken homework for sick students, helped with milk delivery, or flag raising, or kind words in the hallway when a classmate needed them — picking up books or pencils that have dropped — or others... many, many acts of kindness in the year gone by. I thank you for those things, because in so doing you've strengthened the body of believers here at Heritage Chr. School, and you've strengthened the name Christian. You've done that to the glory of God. We pray that each of you may have a wonderful time of rest...and that the summer may be a time of refreshment and enthusiasm and energy so that we can return here in the fall to take up our labors once again to His glory."

The first day of the 2021-2022 school year is Monday, August 30. The summer *Heralder* will come out in mid-August. Class lists and bus routes (if we get enough drivers) will be posted in that edition of the *Heralder*.

It's the end of the year – please tell your children to check the lost and found areas!! Anything not claimed will be donated to the HCS sale.

Report cards will be ready for pickup between 9 AM and 1:45 PM by the main office on June 15 - 17. Any packets not picked up by June 17 will be mailed or delivered to church mailboxes in the next couple of weeks. We would appreciate it if you were able to pick them up, saving us from driving them around and/or postage!

**Enrollment packets are being sent** home with your youngest children today. The deadline for turning in those forms is **Friday, June 18**. All forms MUST be turned in by June 18, whether there is payment included or not. The initial tuition payment is due on July 15. Thank you so much!!

**Physical copies of the** *Heralder* **will be handed out in PR churches** this coming Sunday, but will also be emailed out to all families on tomorrow. In the *Heralder* are many articles worth reading, and also a large number of student writings, supply lists for next year, and the 2021/22 school calendar.

It's warm out, and children have grown over the winter. Please take a peek at you kids before they leave for school, and make sure that their clothing conforms to the HCS dress code (especially notable right now is the length of their shorts).

**NEXT YEAR'S SUPPLY LIST will be published on the Parent Page** of the website today, will be in the *Heralder* distributed this week Sunday, and will be in the August *Heralder* as well.

**Reminder: Covenant Christian High School will NO longer provide** yearly sports physicals. This means that if your child entering 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> grade intends to play a sport at Heritage during the 2021-2022 school year, you MUST schedule his/her sports physical with you own doctor's office. We encourage you to do this ASAP. A valid sports physical for the 2021-2022 <u>MUST be dated after 4-14-21</u>. If you have any questions, please contact the office.

All library books were due last week. If you still have some at home, please return them ASAP. If you got overdue notices, please scrounge around as a family to locate them!

Mark your calendars with this summer's TRIP dates: June 15, June 19, July 13, July 27, August 10, and August 24. Regular hours will continue on September 1.

We have TWELVE yearbooks left, then we are OUT! You can purchase books from the main office. The cost this year is \$20. If you are a patron or placed an advertisement in the yearbook and would like one, you may pick up one free copy (also in the main office).

Reminder for parents of 6th graders, next year's kindergarteners, and all NEW entrants to HCS: Heritage Christian School is required by the State of Michigan to have an up to date immunization record on file of each student entering 7th grade, kindergarten and all new entrants by the first day of school. These official records can be obtained from your child's doctor's office. In compliance with state laws, all immunizations must be complete and official immunization records turned in to the office when school begins on Aug. 26, 2019. If you have any questions, you may call the office at 669-1773 or email receptionist@hchr.org. Thanks!

Bus Monitor: We are taking applications for a Bus Monitor to monitor the students that transfer buses at Hudsonville High School. This is a paid position and would be from 7:15-7:45 AM and then again from 2:35-3:05 PM. We would also consider splitting the position between 2 people if that would work better. If you're at all interested, please contact Sharon Kraker at businessoffice@hchr.org.

We also STILL have need of bus drivers. Without drivers, there can't be bus runs! Please contact Jessica VanDerKolk with any questions at <a href="mailto:transportation@hchr.org">transportation@hchr.org</a> or 616-688-5456.

#### AREA PR SCHOOLS

**2021 Covenant Christian Chargers K-12 Soccer Camp will be held** July 19-22 at CCHS. This camp is open to boys and girls entering kindergarten through 12th grade. Registration forms are available at the Covenant Christian athletics page or by using the following link: 2021 Charger Soccer Camp

CCHS 1st-8th grade Cross Country Camp is scheduled for July 12-14 at Covenant Christian HS. This is for all boys & girls entering 1st-8th grade in fall of 2021. Please sign up at www.covenantchristianxc.com/1st-8th\_grade\_xc\_camp.html. If you have any questions, please contact middle school XC coach Jared Kraker at xcountry@hchr.org or high school XC coach Brian Kalsbeek at brijenkalsbeek@gmail.com.

**CHARGER CHEER CAMP: August 17-19 for Grades 1-8 - Visit our** website for more details and registration. Camp will be outside this year in the field between Covenant and Hope. Payment will be due at camp on the first day. (www.chargercheer.wixsite.com/cheer/summer-camp)

CCHS Girls Volleyball Camp is scheduled for July 12-15. This is for all girls going into 4th-8th grade for Fall of 2021. Please contact Carli Engelsma for a link to sign up or with any questions at carli.gritters@gmail.com by June 14. Payment is due anytime before or on the first day of camp. Thanks!

CCHS Girls Basketball Camp - Grades 3-8: The CCHS Girls Basketball Camp for those entering 3rd - 8th grade will be Monday, June 14 through Thursday June 17, 2021. The camp will be held in the CCHS gym. Sign-up will again be online & will be open on the CCHS website from 05/03/21 - 05/21/21. Payment is due on the first day of camp please do not mail in your payment. If you have any questions, please contact Doug Kaptein (616-238-8080 or dkaptein 32@gmail.com).

The Hope Classic races are scheduled for Saturday morning, May 22. Information and registration for the races can be found at www.hopepreschool.org/classic. Come on out and enjoy this annual event!

CCHS Boys Basketball Camp June 9-11 (Grades 7-10) and June 21-24 (Grades 3-6). This is open to boys going into 3rd-10th grades (Fall 2021). To sign up, please go to: covenantchristianathletics.bigteams.com/main/campsclinics and click on the 2021 boys basketball camp link. Registration and payment details can be found within the link. There is limited space, so please sign up right away. If you have any questions, please contact Tyler Schimmel at tylerschimmel21@gmail.com.

#### **OTHER NEWS**

The Southwest YPS Softball Tournament is this Saturday, May 29 at Whistlestop Park in Byron Center. A delicious lunch of hamburgers and hotdogs will be available. This year we are offering a FREE hotdog lunch for kids 10 yrs. old and younger. Bring your family to enjoy the ballgames. See you there!

The Voices of Victory will present a concert on Memorial Day at 7 PM at the Christian Reformed Conference Grounds (12253 Lakeshore Dr,- Grand Haven, MI 49417). Join us in praise to God at the beautiful, air conditioned facility on the lakeshore.

**Peer to Peer Walk - Please save the date of Saturday, Sept. 25 2021** for the annual Peer to Peer Special Education Awareness Walk at Millenium Park, 1415 Maynard Ave. SW in Walker. Coffee & donuts/t-

shirt pick-up at 9:30am, with the walk beginning at 10:00. We are excited to be able to host this special event once again! We hope you will join us in supporting the special work of the PR Special Ed Society. Look for more information to come.

Beacon Lights is excited to announce that we will be sponsoring a summer writing contest! This contest is for anyone entering seventh grade or older during the 2021-2022 school year and will include monetary prizes for the top FIVE entries in each of the four age groups. Follow the link from the "Contact Us" tab of the Beacon Lights website or use the following web address for more details! https://beaconlights.org/contact-2/summer-writing-contest/