

## Opportunities Sign Up

### We will attend "Kids & Communion"

Child(ren)'s name(s)  
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### We will attend the Easter Treasure Hunt

**Child's Full Name**                      **Age**  
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 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Contact Phone \_\_\_\_\_

### I will attend the Soup & Pie Supper

     I will bring      guests  
     I will be a table hostess  
     I will be a greeter

### We will attend Servants of the Night

### I/we will serve in the nursery for Good Friday services

     5:00 p.m.  
     6:30 p.m.

### I/we will donate

     *lily(s) in honor of*

\_\_\_\_\_ relationship \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ relationship \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ relationship \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

## GLOBAL & LOCAL MISSION

**Mission Team Continues Cedar Rapids Repair** RCA missionaries Bruce & Laurie Hawley will lead an eight-week blitz of rebuilding, and an MDRC team will be there May 9-15. Contact Denny and Judy Applegate, 255-2889 for more information.

## FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

**Men's 40+- Basketball** Fun recreation and fellowship for guys! Come to the Bridge campus Tues. evenings, 8 p.m. Contact Max Dill, 252-7791 for more info.

**Ladies Lunch Bunch** All ladies are invited to join us for lunch *Mon., March 15, 11:45 a.m. (note time)* at Macaroni Grill, 4502 University in West Des Moines. Call Myrna Satre, 274-0837, to RSVP.

**Sr. Adult's Lunch at the Corner Café** Meet us there; 2731 110th St. in Urbandale, *Wed., March 17, 11:30 a.m.* This is located in the Deerfield Crossing Strip Mall.

**Sr. Adult Bible Study** Meets at 9 a.m. *Wed., March 24* in the Fireside Lounge of the Meredith Drive campus. Faye Horpestad will provide refreshments and Pastor Carl will lead study of Romans 12. All are welcome!

## CHILDREN AND YOUTH MINISTRIES

**Servants of the Night:** *For 5th & 6th graders, Friday, March 26, 6-11 p.m.* Bring a parent with you and travel with us around the city as we find Servants of the Night. We'll start at the Meredith Drive campus at 6 p.m. Sign up on the *Bulletin* stub. For more info contact Tony Meade, 276-8925, or Scott Kolb, 987-8092.  
*Serve wholeheartedly, as if you were serving the Lord, not people.* Ephesians 6:7

**Kids and Communion Seminar** Is your child expressing interest in taking communion? If so, we have a special seminar for parents and kids to prepare them, *Wed. March 24, 6:30-7:30 p.m.* at the Meredith Drive campus. Sign up on the *Bulletin* stub.

**An Easter Treasure Hunt** *Saturday, April 3, 9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m., Bridge campus.* All 3 year olds through 4th graders are invited to come for an age-appropriate Easter Story hunt with meaning and fun! Groups are divided by age at both sessions:

- 3 and 4 year olds, must be with an adult
- Kindergarten through 4th grade (K-1st graders must be with an adult)

This is not a grab and run hunt. First we hunt for Easter Story clues, then each child hunts for a bag with his/her name on it and two other items. Sign up on the Sunday *Bulletin* stub. Feel free to invite a friend, but be sure to let us know their name and age.

**Save the Date to Splash Down on Dad's Day!** *Sun., June 20, 6:15-8:15 p.m., Clive Aquatic Center.* An all-church event and a great opportunity to invite your friends!

### Vacation Bible Adventures 2010 June 28-July 2, 9:30-11:45 a.m.

For kids ages 4 years old by 9/15/2010  
 through fall 2010 5th grade  
 Invite your friends!

### PASTORAL LEADERSHIP TEAM

Tony Vis	Lead Pastor	Andy & Shauna Vis	Youth Discipleship
Jane Brown	Pastor	Brenda & Dave Applegate	Youth Outreach
Jill Ver Steeg	Pastor	Brenton Brown	Music Ministries
Jon Nelson	Pastor	Carl Van Farowe	Senior Adults
Marv Vande Kieft	Exec. Admin.		

### Meredith Drive Reformed Church

Meredith Drive campus	515-276-4901	The Bridge campus
5128 Meredith Drive		10025 NW 62nd Ave.
Des Moines, IA 50310		Johnston, IA 50131



# Meredith Drive REFORMED CHURCH

## Welcome to Worship

**March 14, 2010 9:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.**

\*Hearing Enhancement Receivers Are Available at Guest Services

### TODAY'S MESSAGE

**A Question of Identity**

*Mark 10:35-45*

Pastor Jane Brown

*Connecting to God and others,  
 Growing faithful Christ-followers,  
 Serving Christ in the world.*

**MEREDITH DRIVE REFORMED CHURCH**, a strong and vital congregation that has ministered in the Des Moines area for over 60 years, is **one congregation that meets in two locations**. This morning you are worshipping at our **Meredith Drive campus**. Our second campus, **The Bridge**, is located at the corner of NW 62<sup>nd</sup> Avenue and 100<sup>th</sup> Street in Johnston. While we worship each Sunday at both locations, we share many other activities during the week that we call **Common Ground**. Look for more information in our weekly e-news and on our website, [www.meredithdrive.org](http://www.meredithdrive.org).

**NURSERY CARE** is available for infants to 3 years of age during our Sunday morning services. Our nurseries are located below the Worship Center, and are staffed by a regular coordinator and trained adult volunteers. *Parents pick up their children immediately after worship.*

**SUNDAY SCHOOL DURING THE 9:00 A.M. HOUR:** Classes for all ages, children through adults. A great opportunity for families and individuals to connect with others and grow as Christ-followers. Stop by Guest Services for specific information.

**CHILDREN IN WORSHIP DURING THE 10:30 A.M. HOUR:** Children 3 years old through 3rd grade join their parents for the opening "Praise" segments of worship and then go to an age appropriate "Children's Worship" time prepared by trained children's leaders. *Parents accompany their children to the lobby each Sunday to find their worship leaders and location and complete a nametag.* Parents then rejoin worshipers in the Worship Center and *pick their children up immediately after worship.*

## What's Happening at MDRC!

March 14, 2010

### MEREDITH DRIVE CAMPUS SPECIFIC

**Sunday Morning Groups** Connect with others and grow as Christ-followers during the 9 a.m. hour in one of these groups:

*What do We Believe? (8 a.m.)*..... Room 236  
*God Heard Their Cry*..... Gym  
*English as a Second Language*..... Room 110  
*Have a New Kid by Friday*..... Fireside Lg  
*What's so Amazing About Grace?*.. Room 244  
*Who is the Holy Spirit?*..... Room 245  
*Psalms, the Prayer Book of Jesus*.. Room 242

**"GREEN" COFFEE BAR** *The Coffee Bar is Going Green!* In a conscientious effort to be good stewards of our environment our coffee cups, lids, and sleeves are now all recyclable. Two large recycle containers are available in the narthex near the coffee bar. There are also blue recycle bins throughout the church for used paper products. Now you may toss your **EMPTY** drink cups, sleeves and lids into these containers. Please be sure you DO NOT throw liquids of any type into recycle containers. Thank you for doing your part to care for God's creation.

### COMMON GROUND

**Opportunities available to everyone at both campuses**

**Sunday Morning Groups for Children and Adults Meet today!**

**A New Sunday Morning Group** begins today at 9 a.m. in the Fellowship Center: *God Heard Their Cry...Faith Lessons*. Join Rich DePenning, with Ray Vander Laan's video series, as we travel out of Egypt with the exodus and see that it was more than God just taking his people out of captivity!

**Blood Pressure Checks** Today between worship services. Take advantage of this service, a ministry of the MDRC Care Ministry. Stop by the parish nurse area, across from the offices at the Meredith Drive campus and at the nurses table at the Bridge campus.

**For more information about any of these ministry opportunities visit our website, [www.meredithdrive.org](http://www.meredithdrive.org).**

**Journey to the Cross With Us** each Sunday evening during Lent, 6-7 p.m. at the Meredith Drive campus, as we worship, celebrate the Lord's Supper, and reflect together on what it means to follow Jesus to the cross. January Kim will be teaching tonight.

**Prayer Prompts:** Each Sunday in our Lenten devotional booklet, "Journey to the Cross," there is a prayer of particular concern in our lives as we journey to the cross. Around the church and in e-news you will see *Prayer Prompts* to remind you to be in prayer for that concern throughout the week. The prayers begin close to home and move out to the world: from home, to jobs, to those hungry, for the church's hands, for the church's unity and strength. *Devotional booklets are available at Guest Services.*

#### Prayer Prompt March 14-20

*Your purpose is to redeem the world and we, the church, are your ambassadors. May we bring justice and hope to those who suffer. May we be in the lives of those who have so little, yet need so much.*

"Journey to the Cross"  
Lenten Devotional, pp. 32-33

**Good Friday Worship**  
**April 2**  
**5 p.m. & 6:30 p.m.**  
**Meredith Drive campus**

**Nursery Looking for Good Friday Care**  
The Nursery Team is looking for eight volunteers to serve in the nursery during the Good Friday services Friday, April 2, at 5 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. at the Meredith Drive campus. This is a great opportunity for confirmation kids to serve, or for anyone who is looking for a place to volunteer. Sign up on the *Bulletin* stub.

**MDRC Blood Drive**  
Wed., April 7, 3-7 p.m.  
Meredith Drive campus

**Remembering Loved Ones at Easter** We invite you to remember loved ones who have died to this life by providing a lily to display at the front of the worship area this Easter. To do this, mark the *Bulletin* stub with the name of the person(s) you are remembering, and the name of the donor(s). This information will be used to compile a bulletin insert for Easter Sunday. Purchase a lily and attach a card to it with your name and the name of the person(s) you are remembering. Bring the lily to either campus on Fri., April 2, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., or Sat., 8 a.m.-noon. At the Meredith campus, place lilies in the coatroom across the hall from the offices, and at the Bridge campus put them in room 133/135 (coffee bar area).

**Upper Room: A Unique Holy Week Drama** March 31 and April 1, 6 p.m., Bridge campus. Join us as a costumed cast of MDRC singers and actors tell the story of Holy Week and the Last Supper in a unique dinner theater experience. An 18-member orchestra and a professionally catered meal add to the majesty of the experience! Tickets (\$25 per person) are on sale now in the lobby or on our website. Get your tickets to the "Upper Room" before they're sold out!

**Women's Soup & Pie Supper** "Out of Darkness into Light." Tuesday, March 23, 6:30 p.m., Bridge campus. Join us for an evening of food and fellowship, and a message from local speaker, author, and musician Terri Hout. Terri will share her personal story of God healing her broken life and using it to reach out to others. You will be moved between laughter and tears as she shares her dramatic message of God's awesome power to change lives. Cost is \$5 at the door with a can of soup for the Food Pantry. Sign up on the *Bulletin* stub or at the table in the lobby.

**Lost and Found** If you think you might have lost jewelry, reading glasses, or keys at the church, please stop by Guest Services to inquire.

## God's People In Prayer



### Give Thanks Unto the Lord...

The sound of snow melting and things we see again: sidewalks, curbs, ground and more!

### ...and Call Upon His Name.

(Psalm 105:1)

### Petitions

Pray for leadership and peace in the world For the church around the world as it responds in unity to help Haiti and Chile?????

Jeff Temple, gall bladder surgery recovery  
Adrienne Towe Penner, health concerns  
Sharon Card, dealing with joint problems  
Larry Larpentar at Urbandale care center  
Pastor Jon Nelson, sale of home  
Bette Bast, hip surgery recovery  
Don Wederquist, surgery recovery  
John Lutz, cancer treatment  
Nick De Boer, cancer treatment  
Louise Lear, cancer treatment  
Marlene Rife, health concerns  
Jeff Moore, cancer treatment  
MaryJean Veenschoten's sister, cancer  
Tammy Gregory's mother, health concerns  
Karen Schut's father, by-pass surgery  
Connie Young's sister, cancer treatment  
Don & Jan Doudna's granddaughter, hospitalized  
Kim Thede's nephew, chemo treatment  
Jim Waters' mother, stroke  
Erik Phillip's brother, health concerns  
Kathy Forst's nephew in Afghanistan

*Those homebound and in care centers:*

Loudene Empey, Bette Kirstein, Martha Vis,  
Ron Vander Leest, Vera Cannon,  
Bob Dabrieo, Marlene Rife, Bette Bast,  
Grace Groenendyk

### Comfort

Judy Cooper, Susan Hayes, and Connie Knoot,  
death of uncle and brother-in-law

### Need Prayer During the Week?

- Prayer requests are sent by e-mail to our 200+ people who pray during the week. To submit your requests, contact Pastor Jane, [janebrown@meredithdrive.org](mailto:janebrown@meredithdrive.org).
- A prayer elder is available at the Meredith Drive campus worship center Tuesdays, 7:30-9 a.m. Stop by any time.

### Sunday After-Service Prayer Elders

Are available after each Sunday worship 9:00 a.m. Rose Busby & Jean Tinker 10:30 a.m. Cindy Andrew & Lorie Kakert

**SIGN IN PLEASE**  
Members and regular attendees sign our attendance registration weekly. **[Guests:]** We encourage you to fill this out as well so that we can better serve you.

**March 14, 2010**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Ph: Home \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

- This is my first time signing in
- This is a change in my contact information
- I/we would like offering envelopes
- I'd like to receive the weekly e-news

### PLEASE CHECK ONE:

- 1st Time Guest  Return Guest
- Here for Special Occasion Only
- Regular Attendee (Non-member)
- Member

### FAMILY AGE GROUPS (Check All Applicable)

\_\_\_ Infant-3 yr. \_\_\_ College \_\_\_ 50-59  
\_\_\_ 4 yr.-K \_\_\_ 20-29 \_\_\_ 60-69  
\_\_\_ 1st-4th gr. \_\_\_ 30-35 \_\_\_ 70-79  
\_\_\_ 5th-8th gr. \_\_\_ 36-39 \_\_\_ 80+  
\_\_\_ Hi. Sch. \_\_\_ 40-49

### I'D LIKE TO LEARN WHAT IT MEANS:

- To commit my life to Christ
- To be a more devoted follower of Christ
- To be a member of this church

### I'D LIKE INFORMATION ON:

\_\_\_ Nursery-6th Grade \_\_\_ Women's Groups  
\_\_\_ Weekday Pre-school \_\_\_ Senior Adults  
\_\_\_ Jr./Sr. High \_\_\_ Small Groups  
\_\_\_ Prayer Ministries \_\_\_ Adult Classes  
\_\_\_ Music Ministries

### I HEARD ABOUT MEREDITH DRIVE FROM:

### I WOULD LIKE PRAYER FOR:

- Place request on prayer-chain
- Request to elders/pastoral staff only
- Follow up with phone call
- Request someone to come pray with me