



# Grandville Calvin Christian Schools

## *The Wonder of the Story*

Psalm 71:17 "O God, you have taught me from my earliest childhood, and I constantly tell others about the wonderful things you do."

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Thursday, March 5, 2020

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### VERSE OF THE DAY

Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength.  
Deuteronomy 6:4

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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**  
John Broekhuis 3/7  
Isaac Groothuis 3/8

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**Please consider donating to this great cause - we really need your help!**

The Ihamba tribe will be packing food for Hand 2 Hand in March, and we are in need of some food donations! Specifically, Hand 2 Hand is in need of:

- pudding cups
- individual size trail mix

-individual serving size snack packages (goldfish, Cheez Its, etc.)

-meat or jerky sticks

**All items need to be individual serving size, non-expired, and shelf-stable.**

**Please drop items off in the office by next Monday, March 9.** Thanks for your help!

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### Middle School Character Strengths Survey

Parents, please have your child complete the character strengths survey found [here](#). Please send results to [bhaagsma@gccsmi.org](mailto:bhaagsma@gccsmi.org), or print the results and have your child give them to Mr. Haagsma. Information and a link to the survey was sent home on February 26.

**New info:** We've received some results already. Thank you! A few people have tried to share the link of the results, but we can't see results with the link. If you log in to the results, you should be able to click "Printer Friendly Results" at the bottom. If you click that you will get a PDF that you can save and share to [bhaagsma@gccsmi.org](mailto:bhaagsma@gccsmi.org). Thanks again!

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**8th grade student mixer:** 8th grade students from CCMS and West Side who are going

to/potentially going to CCHS next year are invited to a pizza mixer Monday night at 7:15 pm coinciding with the Boys Varsity basketball game. Come to the foods room for pizza and sit together at the game! This is a parent run event. RSVP to Melissa Veldhouse [mnveldhouse@gmail.com](mailto:mnveldhouse@gmail.com) and please bring your ID!

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CCMS 8th grade drama presents:  
**Jolly Roger and The Pirate Queen**

Come see our 8th graders perform on Thursday, March 19 and Friday, March 20 at 7:00 pm!

Doors open at 6:15 in the middle school gym.

Tickets: \$5 (\$20 max per family) and may be pre-ordered in the middle school office or purchased at the door.

*Calvin Christian high school and middle school students are free with ID at the door.*  
Patron ticket donation of \$40 receive premium seating and 4 tickets.

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**CCMS Run Club / Squires With A Goal!**

*It's not too late to get signed up! SWAG starts Monday, March 9.*

Sign Up and Liability forms are attached. Forms and payment are due before the first practice.

Contact Kristin Hayen at [editionk@sbcglobal.net](mailto:editionk@sbcglobal.net) with any questions.

[Sign up note](#) [Sign up Form](#) [Parent Note](#) [Liability Form](#)

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**CHOIR NIGHT REHEARSAL AND CONCERT:**

Next week Tuesday, March 10, Calvin Christian Middle School Guys and Girls Choirs will be rehearsing at Central Reformed Church, for the evening's Choir Night at 7:30 pm. Tuesday morning, the choirs will be leaving the middle school campus at 8:45 am and return around 11:15 am.

The students Choir Night call time at Central Reformed Church, located at 10 College Ave NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49503 is 7:00 pm. The concert begins at 7:30 pm. Concert black uniforms will be required.

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**SPRING FUND RAISING RECEPTION  
TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 2020 GOEI CENTER**

818 Butterworth St SW Grand Rapids MI 49504

6:30 pm Reception (food stations/drinks) 8:00 pm Kenn Kington

Sign up now for a night of fellowship, fundraising, food and great entertainment.

For this event, we are welcoming comedian, Kenn Kington, who is one of the most popular Christian comics and inspirational speakers across the country.

Space is limited so RSVP now using [this link](#):

If you would like to invite other couples to attend with you, indicate that as well. For more information on this or any other fundraising events, contact Joan Staal at [jstaal@gccsmi.org](mailto:jstaal@gccsmi.org) or call us at 616-532-2373.

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**Spirit Wear!** The last Spirit wear sale for the year will run until 8am on March 16. Pick up will be at CCHS on Wednesday, April 1. (Items will be in before spring break!)

[Link to the sale](#)

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**Squire Sports Camp** -Spring, it is so close! It is time to get outside and enjoy the beauty of God's creation! What better way to spend time in God's creation than doing it with your friends? Squires Sports Camp incorporates both spending time outside and developing friendships. Spots are starting to fill up, sign up today at [gccssportscamps.com](http://gccssportscamps.com)

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**Bean Bag Toss Tournament:** Support the baseball and softball programs! [More information here.](#)

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**GCCS Sports camps and art camps for this summer:** information and sign up are available now at <https://www.gccssportscamps.com/>

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**7th and 8th grade softball:**

If you are interested in softball, come to a meeting TODAY (Wednesday) in Mr. Dokter's room with Mrs. Boender at noon. If you are going to be at the choir festival, feel free to email Mrs. Boender [kboender@gccsmi.org](mailto:kboender@gccsmi.org).

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**Swimming**

Middle school students (including 6th graders!) have the opportunity to participate in a one day swim meet with students from other Christian schools in the area. The meet is April 18 at Calvin University. There will be Monday, Wednesday practices from 2:45-4:30 from the week of March 22 -April 18 (the meet) minus the week of spring Break. Practices are at the Grandville Middle School pool. Students/families have to provide their own transportation from CCMS to GMS, unless they already are assigned a GPS bus that goes to the middle school. *Students should sign up for swimming via the google form they received in their email.* Questions can be directed to Coach Jill Berry: [jilliancberry@hotmail.com](mailto:jilliancberry@hotmail.com)

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**Middle School Sports**

**All games are at 4 pm unless otherwise noted**

[Directions to other schools](#)

[Full schedule here](#)

*Subject to change due to gym availability, weather etc.*

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**HOT LUNCH NEWS:**

We are excited to bring you some new changes to the Hot Lunch Program. Please see the [attached flyer!](#) You're going to love it!

Included here is the link to the monthly hot lunch calendar. Copy the link to your desktop for an easy reference to the daily offerings!

**Hot Lunch Calendar - MS & HS**

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**Calendar**

3/5, 3/6 Parent Teacher Conferences  
3/6 NO SCHOOL due to Parent Teacher Conferences  
3/10 Choir night  
3/19, 3/20 MS play  
3/20 NO PM GPS Busing  
3/24 6th grade orientation

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**2020-21 GCCS Academic School Calendar**

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**Essential 10, Caring Kids, Caring Community**

Please [click here](#) to read about the Essential 10 Caring Kids, Caring Community coaching and training that is happening at CCMS!

### Requested Announcements:

Join Kirk Cousins and his team for his annual **football camp/Dad's lunch**. It is on the campus of Hope College in Holland MI on June 26 & 27. For more information and to register please visit <https://kirkcousins.org/pages/camp-registration>. Scholarships available. Please email [msoffice@gccsmi.org](mailto:msoffice@gccsmi.org) if that is a need for you

**Summer Host Families Needed:** Host Families are needed for 4 or 6 weeks this summer for teenage students from Spain who are coming to this area to practice their (already good) English. The 4-week program is June 26-July 24, and the students attend activities every Tue/Thu in the area. The 6-week program is June 29-August 10, and these students do not attend any activities but only live with the host family. Both programs are flexible and students may go on vacation or to summer camp with you. Students come fully insured and with their own spending money. Please contact Christy Tripp (CCMS parent) at [christytripp@sbcglobal.net](mailto:christytripp@sbcglobal.net) or (616) 204-4538 for more information.

The Heritage Christian School Spring **Children's Clothing and Toy Sale** will be held on Saturday, March 14 from 9am - 12:00. Items for sale include infant to teen clothing, outdoor/indoor toys, books, games, shoes and sandals, sports equipment, baby gear, maternity, and more. Delicious baked goods are also for sale! Located in the large gym at Heritage Christian at 6340 Autumn Dr., Hudsonville. Now accepting cash, checks, and credit cards. Hope to see you there!

**GVSU STEM summer camp information** (for 6th grade students): [click here](#)  
also: [www.gvsu.edu/steps/](http://www.gvsu.edu/steps/)

The **Grandville Community Ed** brochure can be accessed [HERE](#).