

SUNRISE FAMILY FOCUS – THE BENNETT FAMILY



Family: The Bennett family consists of Dick, Debbie, Zach and Audra.

Occupation: Dick is a Vet in private practice on 28th Street and has been at the Animal Clinic since 1971. He is also the retired, but put back to work, John Ball Park Zoo vet. Deb is a volunteer for Sunrise in the Children's Ministry Program and is on the Board of Directors. Audra is a senior at Calvin College and will be graduating in May with a major in Biology and a minor in Bio-chem. She is also engaged and will be married in June. Zach is living in Indiana now, but his most memorable job was working for the Apple Corporation.

He still volunteers his high-tech expertise with area churches.

How they came to join Sunrise: Carol VanHaitsma and Cheryl Karsten really persuaded Deb to try out their small little church, Sunrise. The Bennett's were hooked and have been members since Sunrise first started their worship services at the Pinnacle.

Hobbies they enjoy: Dick's hobbies are projects, hunting and fishing. Deb enjoys reading, jet skiing and being involved with Dick's projects (most of the time). Audra never sees the "light of day", so her hobby really is school. Zach's hobbies are researching EVERYTHING. He also loves anything to do with technology.

Memorable events of the past year: The Bennett's last big family trip was to Mexico. But they love their family time on Drummond Island.

Words that describe this family: Busy, energetic, playful, high sense of humor, compassionate.

If they had a blank check to go anywhere, where would they go? Dick and Deb's blank check vacation would be to rent a villa in Italy and have the family with them. Zach would like to return to London and Paris. Audra would like to go to Greece.

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How can Sunrise pray for this family: Please pray for good health, jobs and blessed marriages.

Favorite Bible Verses: 1 Corinthians 13: 4-8; Jeremiah 29:11; 1 Peter 4:8 - *Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins.*

Today's Rising...

Teaching Pastor: Dave Breen

Sermon Title: *A Firm Foundation: Main Street or Side Street*

Sermon Text: John 3 & 4 (selected verses)

Sunrise Schedule for this week...

Today:

KidZone and Little Lambs will meet during the worship service.

High School Youth Group – 6:00 p.m. at David & Heather Breen's home.

Monday:

Building Team meeting – 6:30 p.m. at *What's the Scoop* Ice cream and Coffee shop.

Congregation Open Forum meeting with combined Sunrise Boards – 8:00 p.m. at the church office.

Wednesday:

Men's Early Morning Bible Study – 6:30 a.m. at the church office.

Retreat committee meeting – 12:30 p.m. at Kelly Bryant's home.

Thursday:

Ladies Morning Beth Moore Bible Study – 9:00 a.m. at Kelly Bryant's home.

Friday:

Women's Retreat at the Haworth Conference Center in Holland – Check in 3:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Saturday:

Women's Retreat concludes at 4:00 p.m.

From the Board of Directors...

The offering collected on February 14th was \$2,985. Our budget for 2010 is \$4,198 per week. Totals for the month of February are: Budget \$8,396, Actual \$6,626. Average giving per week for the year has been \$3,503. The board of directors wants to make sure that all of you know that your gifts to Sunrise Ministries are very much appreciated and ask that you continue to keep the operations of this wonderful ministry in your prayers.

Our Church Family...

Mark & Cindy Schreer have discontinued use of their home phone and are only using cell phones. Their cell phone numbers are: Cindy's - 616-723-7608 and Mark's – 616-291-8142. Please make this change in your directory.

Youth Groups...

- **High School Youth Group:** meets tonight at David & Heather Breen's home at 6:00 p.m.
- **Middle School Youth Group:** will meet next Sunday at Ty & Laura DeWitte's home from 6:00 – 8:30 p.m. Come dressed comfy for a movie night and please bring a snack to share.

Open Forum Meeting...

The Sunrise family is invited to an open forum concerning the 2010 congregational budget to be held this coming Monday, February 22, at 8PM at the church office. This represents a unique opportunity to ask questions about the church's overall financial picture, the roles of paid coordinators and staff, the building fund, giving patterns, and the other data that help our Board of Directors make wise choices about the gifts that you share with our church and the kingdom.

Urgent Need for Nursery Volunteers...

Holly VanKampen, our nursery coordinator, has an urgent need for more volunteers to help in the nursery. She is currently working on a new schedule and has recently had several people ask her to remove their name from this list. She is now quite short on volunteers. Holly is providing a calendar by the information table (like the KidZone calendar) for you to sign up to help. Please volunteer for one or more Sundays in the coming months – especially if you use the nursery for your child. Couples are welcome to do this together! We appreciate all our volunteers – thank you for being one of them!!

Sunrise Women's Retreat...

The countdown has begun! It is hard to believe that we are less than one week away from our Sunrise Ladies Retreat! The retreat staff is ready, and we are eagerly anticipating your arrival on Friday! Please know that each and every one of you has been lifted in prayer these last few weeks. We have no doubt that the Lord's wonderful presence will overflow at the Haworth Center this weekend!

This evening is the deadline for registrations. If you still would like to join us, fill out a registration form today.

If you have any last minute questions, please feel free to contact any of the committee members or call Kelly Bryant @745-4722. Don't forget to pack comfy clothes, your appetite, your sense of humor, and an open heart. We are looking forward to hearing about God's *Measureless Love* right along side you! – The Sunrise Retreat Planning Committee.

Middle School Youth Group Retreat...

The Middle School Youth Group is planning a retreat on the weekend of March 5 and 6. It will once again be held at Rockford Reformed Church. Parents: check with the youth group sponsors for all the details.

Hudsonville Highlands 5K Race...

Be sure to save May 1, 2010 for the 2nd annual Hudsonville Highlands 5K Race that Sunrise Ministries is sponsoring. Check out www.hudsonvillehighlands.blogspot.com for many details, including a training schedule to get you off the couch & ready to race! Volunteers are needed, and more importantly...runners are needed!! Pass the date along to your family & friends who might want to participate with you.

Words for Wellness...

February is National Children's Dental month. It is important to brush twice a day and floss daily. Parents should help with this till at least age six. Tooth decay occurs much faster in children than adults!

Grace Bosma, Parish Nurse



Birthdays this Week

Tuesday – Mari Hutchison
Thursday – Samarah Arendsen
Friday – Brenden Arendsen
Saturday – Anne Foote

Anniversaries this Week

Monday – Bob & Deah Cole, Randy & Susan Staal
Wednesday – Josh & Jessi Helmholdt

Sunrise Volunteer Schedule...

Trailer Transportation:

Today: Eric Elling
Next Week: Tim Koorndyk

Refreshment Servers:

Today: Patti & Kim Wallinga
Next Week: Brad & Shellie Doornbos

KidZone This Week:

Zone 1: Anne Foote/Audra Bennett
Zone 2: Leah DeYoung
Zone 3: Jen Elling
Zone 4: Jim Wallinga

KidZone Next Week:

Zone 1:
Zone 2: Tricia DeGroot
Zone 3: Jen Elling
Zone 4: Jim Wallinga

Greeters:

Today: Todd & Christy Hultink
Tom & Lisa Beuschel
Next Week: Jim & Judy Warmington

Nursery Care:

Today: Jennifer Ford
Melinda Herrema
Next Week: Jessica Flack
Rachelle Gelder

Want to know more about Sunrise? Our website, www.sunrisemin.org, is loaded with information about our ministries. You'll be able to explore our mission and vision, learn more about our staff, download audio and video clips, and scan past editions of the *Rays*. Bookmark it and check back often!

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