Agenda for Meeting of Classis Georgetown

Thursday, October 26, 2017
Registration begins at 5:30 PM; Meeting begins at 6:00 PM

<u>Location:</u> Homefront Church
6265 8th Avenue SW, Grandville, MI
(corner of 8th Avenue and 44th Street)

Rev. Gerry Koning, President Rev. Joshua VanDrunen, Vice President Theme: "What Are We Learning?"

1) We Gather Together

- a) Welcome: Rev. Gerry Koning
 - Welcome Pastors, Deacons and Elders
 - Welcome visitors to classis
 - Welcome new Searchlight CRC pastor, Rev. Sam Krikke
 - Preview of the evening's format
- b) Opening devotions: Rev. Josh Good, pastor of Homefront Church

2) We Share Dinner Fellowship

- a) Dinner
- b) Discussion, Part 1: "Transforming Lives and Communities. What are you learning?" Fifteen minutes after dinner has begun delegates Pastor Dave Den Haan will ask delegates to share with one another how their churches are being renewed for the mission of transforming lives and communities (our classis' mission statement). The Renewal Lab and the Ritter Initiative are two renewal movements that some of our churches have been involved in. How about your church?
- c) Discussion, Part 2: "Classis Georgetown values"

Pastor David Jolman will remind delegates of the five classis values:

- Healthy Leaders
- Collaborative Relationships
- Empowering Worship
- Daring Hospitality
- Risky Compassion.

Delegates will then be asked to share at their tables what God is calling our churches **to do** to express these values.

3) We Work Together

- a) Prayer for the Guidance and Wisdom of the Holy Spirit
- b) Reports from classis leaders:
 - (1) Vision Team Mr. Jim Roskam
 - Introduction of themes for upcoming classis meetings, based on classis values
 - Recommendations regarding Classis-funded grants
 - Update/recommendation regarding Josh Benton
 - Update regarding upcoming proposal to involve classis more deeply in the lives of those preparing for pastoral ministry
 - (2) Treasurer (include 2018 budget presentation) Mr. Mel VanderBie
 - (3) Stated Clerk Mrs. Glenda Tebben
 - (4) Student Fund Committee Rev. Jeffery Scripps
 - (5) Regional Pastors Rev. Marc Nelesen
 - (6) Credentials Committee
- c) Council of Delegates update Rev. Dave DenHaan
- d) Synod 2017 report Mrs. Carol Woltjer
- e) Report on Classis Georgetown Project Mr. Jim Roskam

4) We Are Sent Together

- a) Closing remarks
- b) Apostle's Creed all in unison
- c) Closing Prayer all participate in group
- d) 2 Peter 3:18 benediction