

## **Church Calendar**

- Today** 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship w/Coffee Fellowship  
10:50 –11:40 a.m. Sunday School and Catechism classes  
6:00 p.m. Evening Worship – GEMS Sunday
- Monday** 6:15 p.m. Punch Served with Devotions and  
GEMS Banquet at 6:45 p.m.
- Weds.** 6:45 p.m. Cadet Awards Night ~Parents/Grandparents  
join us at 8 p.m.  
7:00 p.m. Young People's meeting  
Devotions – Conner, Snack – Matthew
- Thursday** 7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday – Communion service

## **SERVING OUR FELLOWSHIP TODAY**

- Greeters:** A.M. Mike & Bonita Elgersma, Jack & Carol Elgersma  
P.M. 5<sup>th</sup> Grade GEMS
- Nursery:** A.M. Adrienne & Drew Reitsma  
P.M. Chelsea & Ali Scott
- Children in Worship:** Shannon Rydberg, Amanda V.Berg
- Hospitality:** Ray & Phyllis Elgersma, John & Amy Vander Haag,  
Amanda Vander Berg
- Prairie View visiting:** (April 14 - 20) Larry Reitsma
- Video:** Mike Verhoef **Audio:** Ben Reitsma **PP:** Kristie Verhoef

## **MAUNDY THURSDAY – COMMUNION SERVICE – 7:00 P.M.**

- Offering:** Cary Christian Center **Organist/Pianist:** Starla Reitsma
- Nursery:** Ivy Vander Haag & Julia Back
- Audio/Video/PPoint:** Ben Reitsma, Mike & Kristie Verhoef

## **NEXT SUNDAY**

- Offering:** A.M. 1<sup>st</sup> – Budget, 2<sup>nd</sup> –CES (Fair Share)  
P.M. Bible League International
- Greeters** A.M. Cody & Amber Stange, Stefan & Ashley Sybesma  
P.M. Jon & Pat Sybesma, Lauren & Amanda V. Berg
- Nursery:** A.M. Jeri Prins, Tonja Hoogers  
P.M. Catherine Schreur, Laura Elgersma
- NO Children in Worship**
- Pianist:** A.M. Leah Kreutner P.M. Catherine Schreur
- Hospitality:** Mike & Bonita Elgersma, Brendan & Erin Olson,  
Paige Graves
- Prairie View visiting** (April 21 - 27) John Schreurs
- Video:** Travis Solsma **Audio:** Bob Oldenkamp
- Power Point:** John M. Vander Haag, Craig Solsma

**A warm welcome is extended to all who have come to worship with us today. The ALS System is available for those with hearing impairments. A nursery room is in the basement**

### **WORSHIP NOTES**

Today is **Palm Sunday**. The children will be coming in waving palm branches and will have a special number on the Bells.

During the Evening Service we will be celebrating **GEMS Sunday**. The girls and Counselors will be participating throughout the service. They invite you to stay for coffee, cookies, juice and fellowship after the service.

There is a devotional in your church mailbox for Palm Sunday through Easter Sunday. Please use this to prepare for Communion at the **Maundy Thursday** Service and the Easter Sunday's celebration.

Next Sunday – NO Children in Worship, Sunday School or Catechism

### **CONGREGATIONAL NOTES**

Those signed up for the **GEMS Banquet** – Punch served from 6:15 – 6:45pm  
Devotions at 6:45 p.m. Tickets are \$7 each, payable at the door.

**Cadet Awards Night** will be Wed, April 17, 6:45 – 8:30pm for the boys. Parents/Grandparents are asked not to come to Church until 8:00 p.m.

Women of the Congregation are invited to the **Easter White Breakfast** at The First Reformed Church on Friday, April 19 at 9 am. The program entitled "*The Hands of Jesus*", will be followed by a continental breakfast.

**CES Pulled Pork fundraiser** - the CES board is selling Smoked Pulled Pork, available by pre-sale only! More information & your order form was in your m last Sunday. Orders are due by Sunday, April 28; pork will be ready for pick-up on Friday, May 17. Contact a board member with any questions.

**Cary Serve Team: With much sadness we are canceling the 2019 Cary Serve Trip and future trips to Cary are uncertain. We praise and thank God for the many blessings our church family has experienced over the years we have sent a team to Cary. "Look back and thank God. Look forward and trust God. He closes doors no one can open and He opens doors no one can close."**

Save The Date! A Church Skating Party is planned for Friday, May 3 at the Primghar Skating Rink from 7-9PM.

## **Additional Announcements**

**Sanborn Christian** is seeking applicants for the following openings for the 2019 - 2020 school year:

1. Part-time Jr. High teacher - contact Mr. Minderhoud for more information
2. Part-time Preschool teacher - 30% position (Monday, Wednesday, Thursday mornings). Class is from 8:30am to 11:30am.
3. Possible Part-time Preschool aide - this position is dependent upon size of the incoming preschool class
4. Part-time Janitor / Custodian - approximately 25-30 hours per week
5. Part-time Head Cook - mornings from 7:30am - 1:00pm (typically)
6. Part-time Assistant Cook - approximately 2-3 hours per day from 11:00am - 1:15pm (times might vary slightly)

If you are interested or want more detailed information or an application, contact Mr. Minderhoud @ 729-3288 or by email at [sanchr@sanbornchristian.com](mailto:sanchr@sanbornchristian.com).

SANBORN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL BAKE SALE: Spring is here and it is getting busy; practices, and games are filling the afternoon hours; planting is right around the corner. Let us help you prepare for the busyness by providing you with cookies, bars, and other tasty treats to feed your hungry crowds! **On Thursday, May 2nd, SCS moms will be selling homemade baked goods from 9:00am-3:30pm, in the Society Room.** Please use the west door, the sale will be located at the top of the stairs (an elevator is available if needed).

**All (K-8th) moms are required** to bring baked items (3 dozen bars/cookies or 2 larger items) for the Bake Sale on Thursday, May 3rd. Preschool moms you are welcome to donate as well and we would love your baked goods, but you are not required. Items may be dropped off on Wednesday, or between 8:30am -11:00am on Thursday. **Please remember to label your items.**

Western Christian High School is conducting their annual spring drive. **Spring drive gifts** cover tuition relief and this year a renovation of the bathrooms in the gymnasium which were in poor condition. Our goal is to raise \$105,000 of which we have raised \$75,000. If you haven't made a gift yet please consider making a gift soon as Western would like to conclude this drive by May 7.

\*More announcements on the back page of this bulletin

\*A bulletin for GEMS Sunday will be handed out at the evening service

## **CONGREGATIONAL LIFE**

Please pray for **Tina Meyers and her family** as they mourn the death of her Aunt, **Ilene Sisles**, of Spencer. May the Lord comfort Tina and her family.

**Jean DeJong** has returned to her home at Aspen Heights in Hull.

**Jon Sybesma** had an good report when in Rochester, which showed his tumors were shrinking. He will continue with his treatments. Praise God!

Continue to pray for **John Vander Werff and Valerie** (Haarsma) **Greene**, who are fighting and/or taking treatments for cancer.

## **LIFTING LAMBS TO THE SHEPHERD**

Hazel Kuiper

Judy (B) Visser

Jerry & Carol Buteyn

*Please keep these church members in your thoughts and prayers*

We would like to thank our church family for all the wonderful gifts received at the shower. There was such a great variety of useful and fun gifts! Your generosity is so greatly appreciated. A special thanks to Lana Van Engen and Starla Reitsma for serving the lunch. It was so fun celebrating with all of you!

**Ashley Verhoef and Ben Vermeer**

**Bible League Volunteer Board Meetings** will be held April 15 - 16. Please pray for those who are traveling and those who are presenting during these meetings. Pray for our Lord to fill us with encouragement and inspiration; that what we say and do will honor Him and inspire us in service.

**Good Friday Passion Play** at the Sibley/Ocheyedan High School Auditorium at 5 pm, 7 pm, and 9 pm, Friday evening, April 19. FREE tickets available (pick up before each performance), but you must reserve them by calling (712)754-2945 or emailing [ocmapssionplay@gmail.com](mailto:ocmapssionplay@gmail.com) A freewill offering will be received. More information on the bulletin board.

### ***God's Promise to You***

*"For the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd; he will lead them to springs of living water. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."*

Revelations 7: 17

**The Blackwood Brothers** will be presenting a benefit concert on Saturday evening, April 20 at 6:30 PM at the BJ Haan Auditorium at Dordt College. The concert will also feature the Master's Voice from Sioux Falls, SD and the Four For Him Quartet from Sanborn, IA. Tickets will be \$15.00 per person and sold at the door only. The doors will open at 5:00 PM. All proceeds from the concert will benefit the local and global ministries of Hope Haven. Mark your calendars now for Saturday April 20 ~ a great night of gospel music!

**HANDEL'S MESSIAH** ~ Tickets are available as the Sioux County Oratorio Chorus, along with Northwestern College's Heritage Singers and Dordt College's Concert Choir, bring you one of the most beloved sacred works of all time, Handel's *Messiah*. The concert will be presented Saturday, April 27 at 7:30pm in Dordt's BJ Haan Auditorium. Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door for adults, \$5 for students, available at Windmill Park Jewelers in Orange City, Evie's Hallmark in Sioux Center, and the Dordt and NWC music offices.

**ATTENTION** the **Bible League international Spring Salad Luncheon** is scheduled for **Monday May 6, 2019** at 11:30 at the Alton Reformed Church at 305 8th St, Alton, IA Come and enjoy a fashion show featuring clothes from the Bible for Missions Thrift Center. John Scafe, the national director of Bibles for Missions Thrift centers will also be at the luncheon.

**You are asked to bring a salad for every two people to share.** Drinks will be provided. Please give this prayerful consideration. The attendance has been down and it would be so GREAT to have a large group come together to support the work of Bible League International.

**REGISTER FOR AN EXPERIENCE OF A LIFE TIME!** CrossRoads & Northwest Iowa Teens Encounter Christ (TEC) are accepting applications for the upcoming weekend at the First Reformed Church in Hull, Iowa. TEC is an interdenominational three-day Christian retreat designed to help high schoolers learn more about their faith and their community. The next TEC is June 28-30, 2019. If you would like to learn more about TEC or register, please visit either [www.CrossRoadsTEC.com/apply](http://www.CrossRoadsTEC.com/apply) or [www.NWIowaTEC.com/applications](http://www.NWIowaTEC.com/applications) or email [CrossRoadsTEC@gmail.com](mailto:CrossRoadsTEC@gmail.com). The cost is \$50 and includes a t-shirt & other special gifts. Scholarships are available upon request.

**Unity Meal** at Living Water Community Church is Monday evening, April 15 at 6 PM. More information on the bulletin board.

**THE LORD'S DAY – April 14, 2019**  
**MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE 9:30 A.M.**  
**PALM SUNDAY**  
**Pastor Al Van Dellen**

**GOD GATHERS HIS PEOPLE**

- Prelude: Jamie Carlson
- \* Welcome
  - \* Call to Worship
  - \* Song **"Filled with Excitement"** LUYH 143  
Children's Bell Choir playing *"The Old Rugged Cross"*
  - \* God's Greeting
  - \* Greeting One Another
  - \* Hymn of Praise **#375 "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"** LUYH 146

**TO RENEW OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH HIM**

- God's Will for Our Lives  
Prayer of Confession  
Assurance of Pardon  
Preparation for the Lord's Supper
- \* Song of Confession **"By Grace We Have Been Saved"**  
Congregational Prayer LUYH 675
  - Storytime w/ Shannon *"Three Cheers for Jesus"*
  - Song *"Jesus Loves Me"* vs 1 LUYH 709

**TO GIVE THANKS**

- Offering: 1st - **Budget** 2<sup>nd</sup> - **Building Fund**  
Children's offering – **Goats for World Renew**  
CIW (Ages 3–6) **Lesson 36 "Jesus' Last Passover"**  
(Children will be brought to Classroom across the hall for a snack)

**TO HEAR HIS WORD**

- Scripture: **Matthew 21: 1 – 17** (p 859)  
**Luke 19: 39 – 44** (p 916)
- Message: **"Praise to the King"**  
Prayer

**GOD SENDS US FORTH WITH HIS BLESSING**

- \* Hymn **#378 "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"** vs 1,2 LUYH 145
- \* God's Parting Blessing
- \* Doxology **"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"** vs 3
- \* Moment of Silent Reflection
- \* Postlude \*Stand if you are able

**THE LORD'S DAY – April 14, 2019**  
**EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE 6:00 P.M.**  
**GEMS SUNDAY**  
**Pastor Al Van Dellen**

**LET US PREPARE OUR HEARTS TO WORSHIP**

Prelude: Jamie Carlson

GEMS AIM and Hymn ***"Jesus Is All the World to Me"***  
Litany ~ *"Be a Blessing"*

**LET US WORSHIP GOD WITH JOYFUL HEART**

Songs of Praise – ***"One Thing Remains"***  
***"The Lion and the Lamb"***  
***\*"Ten Thousand Reasons"*** LUYH 559  
w/ Congregation

- \* Welcome
- \* God's Greeting
- Congregational Prayer

**LET US HEAR THE WORD OF GOD PROCLAIMED**

Scripture: **Genesis 12: 1 – 3** (p 10)  
Prayer for Illumination  
Message: **"Blessed to Be a Blessing"**  
Prayer

**LET US OFFER GOD OUR THANKSGIVING**

Offertory: GEMS Slide Presentation 2018-19  
Offering: **GEMS International**

**LET US LIVE THE WORD OF GOD**

- \* Hymn ***"In Christ Alone"*** LUYH 770 w/ Congregation
- \* God's Parting Blessing
- \* Doxology ~ Theme Song ~ ***"We Receive Your Blessing"***
- \* Silent Prayer

\*Stand if you are able

*Please join us for a time of fellowship with coffee, juice, & cookies after the worship service*