

LIFTING LAMBS TO THE SHEPHERD

Betty (Pierson) Elgersma Jake Altena
Josh & Shannon Rydberg ~ Chloe, Caitlin

Young Adult of the Week ~ Tayla Stanley works at Brew Convenience Store in Sanborn. Notes to her may be placed in Larry & Shyla's church mailbox.

Vacation Bible School (at First Reformed) for students who have finished Preschool – 6th Grade. Sunday, June 4 at 6:15 p.m. Kickoff, continuing Monday thru Thursday, June 6 – 9 from 6 – 8 pm (supper served at 5:30 pm M/T/W) Register your child and/or to volunteer at www.sanbornfrc.org

Bible League prayer requests ~ Latin America

Dominican Republic - Give thanks because God has strengthened Pastor Leonel and his congregation after the death of a church member. The church postponed the *Project Philip* workshop, but thanks to the Lord, Pastor Leonel has decided to resume the training this week.

Nicaragua. Pray for the coordination of the *Project Philip* Training and review of the new Church Planter Training manual with the Pastoral Committee.

Cuba. Pastor Belkis will be taking a road trip to the Punta de Mais province and asks for prayer that God will protect her, as the road to this place is dangerous due to the geographical conditions.

The **Bible League Ambassadors Salad Luncheon** is Monday, May 1, at First Reformed Church in Rock Rapids. Bring one salad for every two people. The luncheon will begin at 11:30 a.m. The speaker will be Marie Hofmeyer, owner of Holland House and Jade & Co. in Orange City. She will give a demonstration on creating home decorations from items from Legacy Thrift Stores (formerly Bibles for Missions). Come and enjoy good food and be inspired to redecorate your home.

**Love is the forgetting of oneself
in the service of another**

We warmly welcome all who have come to worship with us today. The ALS system is available for those with hearing impairments.

WORSHIP NOTES

Our church is in charge of the Prairie View 2 pm service today. Contact Rich Vander Werff or Pastor Westra if you'd like to attend.

CONGREGATIONAL NOTES

Ladies Bible Fellowship meets Tuesday, April 25 at 1:30 p.m. We will study Lesson 5 – "Christ also suffered"

Serving Neighbors with Yard Clean-Up: This coming Saturday (April 29th) morning we plan to serve our city by cleaning up yards. This winter filled many lawns with sticks and limbs, and some people could use the help getting ready for Spring. If you know someone (neighbor, relative, etc.) who could use the help, get their permission and then pass their name and address to Pastor Westra. Come with rakes and work gloves to church at 8:30, we will go to yards in groups, and enjoy a lunch provided back at church around noon.

National Day of Prayer: We will hold a joint prayer service at **7:00 PM** for the National Day of Prayer on May 4 at the Truck Museum with First Reformed and Sanborn Methodist Church.

Council Selection: Since we have seven nominees to fill two elder openings and six nominees to fill two deacon openings, we will be voting and then casting lots this year. Our vote will happen on May 7 and casting lots is planned for May 14, at the end of morning worship service. Nominees for elders are Aaron Alons, Brian Koldenhoven, Jon Sybesma, Bruce Van Engen, Keven Van Meeteren, Mike Visser, and Kevin Wiekamp. Nominees for deacons are Gerald Dragstra, Kevin Hofman, Nate Schreur, Shane Sybesma, Chet Vander Velde, and Alan Visser. A handout with more details has been placed in your church mailbox.

Membership/Profession of Faith Class: Pastor Westra will be hosting a class on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 on May 9 and May 23 for new members and those interested in professing their faith. Please let the pastor know if you plan to participate to ensure he has enough materials.

Christian Education Society meeting on Sunday, May 7 after worship and coffeetime (11:00 AM). New Board member nominees are Sara Schilling, Jesse Graves, Nikki Van Beek, and Tonya Wiekamp.

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Western Christian FFA Chapter is selling hanging baskets again this spring! Sales will begin on May 4 with baskets costing **\$30/basket. May 4 & 10 from 9 am -6 p.m.** If you have a basket/pot of your own, drop it off between now and May 10 so we can pot them for you.

Sanborn Christian is looking to hire a part-time school secretary/administrative assistant and a part-time preschool aide for the 2023-2024 school year. (This aide would be responsible to assist Mrs. Rozenboom in the classroom on preschool mornings - 10 hours per week). Contact Mr. Anthony Minderhoud at 712.729.3288 or sanchr@sanbornchristian.com for more details or applications.

4th Avenue Singers & 4th Avenue Band and Jazz Combo concert at Dordt University's BJ Haan Auditorium is Friday, April 28, at 7:30 p.m. The Band and Singers will join forces on settings of "Come Fly with Me," written for Frank Sinatra, and "Chattanooga Choo Choo," made famous by Glenn Miller and his orchestra in 1941. The concert will also be available on livestream at <https://www.dordt.edu/livestream>

MENDELSSOHN, SONGS & PSALMS ~ The Sioux County Oratorio Chorus, joined by Northwestern College's Heritage Singers, will be presenting a varied program of psalms, hymn, and sacred songs by Mendelssohn, Schütz, Thomson, Handel, and Duruflé **on Saturday, April 29 at 7:30pm** in B.J. Haan Auditorium at Dordt University. Tickets are \$15 in advance/\$20 at the door for adults and \$5 for students. Tickets can be purchased at Evie's Hallmark, Windmill Park Jewelers, the Dordt and NWC music offices, or from any SCOC member.

God cares when bad things happen ~ He invites us to turn to him just like David did with honesty and trust. Go to **kidscorner.net** and 'like' the Bible story podcast "Saul Chases David."

On the road to Emmaus, two of Jesus' followers listened as their companion explained the Scriptures to them. As their understanding of Scripture grew, so did their faith. Listen at **GroundworkOnline.com** and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

Family Fire ~ an online community exploring Spirit-led family, marriage, parenting, in-laws, blended families, and intimacy. Find encouraging articles and devotions at **familyfire.com**

Calling/Visiting Senior Members ~ April 23 - 29

(Sanborn) Bev Brouwer (Sheldon) Cyle & Jamie Carlson

TODAY ~ April 23

PPoint: Amber Stange, Craig Solsma
Video: Karter Van Meeteren
Audio: Aaron Alons
Doors: Larry Stanley
Nursery: Lindsey K, Aidan Carlson
Greeters: Larry Hofman/Gerald Dragstra
Erin & Jenny Campbell
CIW: Anna VE, Brandi W, Alivia K
Accom: AM & PM Starla Reitsma
Offering: AM Budget, Mission Fund
PM Atlas of Osceola County
Hospitality: Aaron & Renee Alons
John & Jessica Schreurs
Esther De Boer

NEXT WEEK – April 30

Brent Koldenhoven
Jeri Prins
Bob Oldenkamp
Ray Elgersma
Linda O, Alivia Koldenhoven
Terry & Lori Bootsma
Larry & Karen Bosma
Jessica S, Ann H, Anna S
AM Starla R PM Joy VW
AM Budget, CES (Fair Share)
PM Benevolence
Cork & Carol Bootsma
Gerrit & Carol Wiekamp
Shane & Nikki Van Beek

10:50 – 11:40 a.m. Sunday School or Catechism classes

5:00 p.m. Worship Service

6:15 p.m. Youth Group
Devotions – Aidan, Snack/Drink - Drew

Tuesday 1:30 p.m. Ladies Bible Fellowship

Friday 5:30 – 9:30 p.m. GEMS Girls Night IN

Saturday 8:30 – noon Service projects around Sanborn

Church Mailboxes: CRCNA May Prayer Guide
Nursery schedule (June – Aug. for those involved)

Literature Table: Areopagus newsletter (Iowa State)
Geneva Campus (Univ. of Iowa) newsletter
Middle East Ref. Fell. Newsletter (MERF)

THE LORD'S DAY – April 23, 2023
MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE 9:30 A.M.
Pastor Phil Westra

IN HIS PRESENCE

Prelude: Starla Reitsma
Welcome and Announcement
*Call to Worship: *Psalm 56: 3 – 4, 12 - 13*
*Silent Prayer
*God's Greeting
*Song: **"Ten Thousand Reasons"** Red 559

IN HIS GRACE

Call to Repentance: *Psalm 69: 5*
Song of Confession: **"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"** Red 426 vs 1 - 3
Assurance of Pardon: *Micah 7: 18 - 20*
*Song: **"Living Hope"**
Congregational Prayer

Offerings: 1st - **Budget** 2nd – **Mission Fund**
Children's Offering – **Goats for World Renew**
3–6 year-olds ~ **Children in Worship:** L 25 "Jesus Appears to Thomas"

IN HIS WORD

Prayer for Illumination
Scripture: **Psalm 14** (p 475)
Message: **"Fools Corrupted and Destructive"**
Prayer of Application

IN HIS SERVICE

*Song: **"God of Grace and God of Glory"** Red 926 vs 1 - 2
*Parting Blessing
*Doxology: **"God of Grace and God of Glory"** Red 926 vs 4
*Postlude

*stand if you are able

THE LORD'S DAY - April 23, 2023
EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE 5:00 P.M.
Pastor Phil Westra

LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS TO GOD WITH PRAISE

Prelude: Starla Reitsma
Welcome and Announcements
Call to Worship: *Psalm 18: 1 - 3*
Opening Prayer
*God's Greeting

LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS TO GOD WITH THANKSGIVING

Congregational Favorites

OPEN YOUR HEARTS TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination
Scripture: **Revelation 6** (p 1084)
Meditation: **"The Six Seals"**
Prayer of Application
*Song **"For All the Saints"** Red 254 vs 1, 2, 4

PRAYERS AND OFFERINGS

Share Prayer Requests
Intercessory Prayer
Offering: **ATLAS of Osceola County**

OFFER YOURSELVES TO GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART

*Song: **"Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine"** Red 363
*Parting Blessing
*Doxology: **"O God, Our Help in Ages Past"** Red 405 vs 6
*Postlude

*stand if you are able

Sermon Notes for Sunday Morning, April 23, 2023
"Fools Corrupted and Destructive" ~ Psalm 14

Introduction: Our Cultural Puzzle

A. Foolish Profession

1. Definition of a Fool:
2. The Heart Speaks:
3. Two Kinds of Atheism:

B. Universal Corruption

1. God's Polling Data:
2. Spiritual Formation and Evangelism:

C. Particular Destruction

1. Devouring God's People:
2. Frustrating the Poor:

D. God's Salvation

1. False Gospel:
2. True Gospel:

Sermon Notes for Sunday Evening, April 23, 2023
"The Six Seals" ~ Revelation 6

Introduction: The Ongoing Vision

1. Rider on White Horse:

2. Rider on Red Horse:

3. Rider on Black Horse:

4. Rider on Pale Horse:

5. Souls of Martyrs:

6. The Wrath of God: