

PRAYER ITEMS AND CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

We express our sympathy to the **family of Verla Elgersma** at her passing last week Saturday. Her memorial service was held this past Thursday. Continue to pray for God's comfort and peace at this time.

Sanford Senior Care

Harv Verbrugge

Fieldcrest

Veda Bousema Hazel Kuiper

Village Northwest

David Van Oort Tim Mouw

LIFTING LAMBS TO THE SHEPHERD

Bruce & Lana Van Engen

Brian & Cindy Koldenhoven

Phil & Michelle Westra ~ Levi, Hannah

Young Adult of the Week ~ Kendall Hofman works at the John Deere dealer near Paullina. As a Diesel Mechanic. His contact information is in the church directory.

At-home Faith Formation Tip ~ *"There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens: a time to be born and a time to die, a time to plant and a time to uproot, a time to kill and a time to heal, a time to tear down and a time to build, a time to weep and a time to laugh, a time to mourn and a time to dance"* (Eccles 3:1-4). As we enter a new year full of unknowns, remind each other to take comfort in the knowledge that all your times are in God's hand.

Faith is daring to do something regardless of the consequences

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

WORSHIP NOTES

Sunday morning service - 9:30 a.m. Church Cable Channels, Both services on our Church's website sanbornrc.com and the YouTube link https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCd3_43l-0A8List-FOhhphg

Next Sunday we will be led in worship by **Mr. Dan Tracy**. Pastor Westra has a Classical appointment at the Ocheyedan CRC.

CONGREGATIONAL NOTES

A New Book and Sermon Series: I encourage you to pick up a copy of the book *F.A.I.T.H. Unfolded* by Jim Oosterhouse (thin with a red cover) as our morning sermons will be connected to chapters in this book. Note that we will not go through the chapters in chronological order. Read the whole book as you find time, or just read chapter 7 by Sunday, January 15th. --Pastor Phil

Evangelism Committee thanks you for your contributions towards **UDMO and Love, INC's** Food/Household pantries. Thanks also for **\$1,284** given to buy items for Love, INC's **Personal Supply Closet.**

Sunday Evening Bible Study group will meet next Sunday, January 8, at 6:15 p.m. Jerry & Carol Buteyn will lead Lesson 4 and provide lunch. You're welcome at any time to join in our study of Philippians.

The Stone of Help ~ learn about God's faithfulness while making a pile of rocks called an Ebenezer. Happy New Year! Check out all the great content at **kidscorner.net** ~ like *The Bible in One Year Plan.*

God Keeps His Promises And Offers Us Rest ~ Join Groundwork as we study Joshua 1 and examine how God works through his people, see the importance of community, and affirm that we can follow God's command to "be strong and courageous" because we trust God to keep his promises. Listen now at **GroundworkOnline.com**

Dordt University Concert Choir invites you to a concert at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, January 13, at the B.J. Haan Auditorium. This free concert is part of a spring tour with performances scheduled in Iowa, Minnesota, and North Dakota. A freewill offering received to defray tour expenses.

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

CADETS ~ NO regular meeting on Wednesday, January 4, but we have reserved Cone Park in Sioux City from 6-9 pm for sledding - hope everyone can make it! This is a church-wide invite, so **families and friends are welcome to join in the fun!** Cost is being covered by CURC youth group and boys/girls clubs; concessions are available at your own cost; and ice skating is an option, \$3 for skate rental. Due to the open invite and time/distance, please let me know if transportation is needed and I will work on coordinating carpool. We strongly encourage carpooling with family, or friends, as a primary option. We will only have transportation lined up for those who communicate a need in advance, if you do not respond we will assume you not attending or have transportation handled. Carpool vehicles will be leaving Sanborn at 5:00pm and should be back to church around 10:30pm.

Justice For All is planning a KENTUCKY BUS TOUR, focusing on our 4 major ministry partners: Grace Covenant Ministries, Annville, KY; Helping Hands, Hyden KY, Appalachia Reach Out Inez, KY; and Appalachian Mission of Hope, Berea, KY. The dates are April 12-18, 2023. Join us, learn, and see how God is using beautiful ministries to share HIS love and hope to those who live in very poor communities throughout Kentucky. We'll be exploring the rich history, culture and stories of the mountain 'hollers', coal, and horses! And God's amazing creation will also be on display! If you are interested or want more information, please contact Pat Vander Pol at JFA patvp@jfa-nwiowa.org – 712-476-2804

Justice for All is having a meeting with information about Service & Learning Trips at Justice for All ministry center on Tuesday January 10, 2023 at 6:30pm. Address is for the ministry center is 1335 Valley Drive Rock Valley, IA 51247. There will be light refreshments available. With questions, please contact Nick at Justice for All 712.476.2804. Consider going on a trip this year to work alongside others in a different community.

FOOD BANK at Living Water Community Church will be Tuesday, January 3 from 4:30 – 6 PM

There are various pans and bowls in the kitchen left from the soup supper etc. Please check to see if any of them are yours.

Writing Missionaries for the Month of January

Cyle & Jamie Carlson Terry & Lori Bootsma Liz Elgersma

Calling/Visiting Senior Members ~ January 1 - 7

(Sanborn) Jon & Tonja Hoogers
(Sheldon) Ray & Phyllis Elgersma

TODAY ~ January 1

PPoint: Amber Stange, Craig Solsma
Video: Karter Van Meeteren
Audio: Ben Reitsma
Doors: Mike Visser
Valet Parking: Brian Koldenhoven
Nursery: Tammy S., Nikki S.
Greeters: Don U., Bill Roelfs
 Jon & Pat Sybesma
CIW: Anna VE, Brandi W, Alivia K
Accom: AM & PM Starla Reitsma
Offering: AM Budget, CES (Fair Share)
 PM Benevolence
Hospitality: Ben & Adrienne Reitsma
 John & Amy Vander Haag
 Kevin & Ann Hofman

NEXT WEEK ~ January 8

Brent Koldenhoven
Jeri Prins
Aaron Alons
AM Rich VW PM Brian K.
Cody Stange
Amber Stange, Ceyla V.
Nate & Catherine Schreur
Josh & Shannon Rydberg
Linda O, Amber S, Shae R
AM Jamie C PM Michelle W
AM Budget, Bldg. Proj. Fund
PM Cornerstone Prison CPM
Keven & Robin V.Meeteren
Chet & Maria Vander Velde
Erin & Jenny Campbell

NO Sunday School or Catechism classes

	5:00 p.m.	Worship service
Monday	7:00 p.m.	Elders meeting
Weds.	5:00 p.m.	Cadets leaving URC for Cone Park (arriving back at 10:30 pm - see announcement for details)
	7:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study

Church Mailboxes: Newsletter from the Klompjen's

THE LORD'S DAY – January 1, 2023
MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE 9:30 A.M.
Pastor Phil Westra

IN HIS PRESENCE

Prelude: Starla Reitsma
Welcome and Announcements
Call to Worship: *Psalm 72: 18 – 19*
Opening Prayer
*Song: **"As with Gladness Men of Old"** Red 105 vs 1 – 4
*God's Greeting
*Song: **"O Splendor of God's Glory Bright"** Red 374 vs 1 - 3

IN HIS GRACE

Heidelberg Catechism Q & A 4 – 5 (p 862)
Prayer of Confession
Assurance of Pardon: *Luke 2: 30 - 32*
*Song: **"Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine"** Red 363

Congregational Prayer

Offerings: 1st - **Budget** 2nd – **CES (Fair Share)**
Children's Offering – **Goats for World Renew**
3–6 year-olds ~ **Children in Worship**: L1 "Baby Jesus is Presented to God"

IN HIS WORD

*Song: **"Have Thine Own Way, Lord"** Red 737 vs 1, 4
Scripture: **Proverbs 9** (p 555)
Message: **"Wisdom's Invitation"**
Prayer of Application

IN HIS SERVICE

*Song: **"O Jesus, I Have Promised"** Red 352 vs 1 - 3
*Parting Blessing
*Doxology: **"God of Mercy, God of Grace"** Red 934 vs 1
*Postlude

*stand if you are able

THE LORD'S DAY - January 1, 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 145: 17 - 21*
Opening Prayer
*God's Greeting

LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS TO GOD WITH THANKSGIVING

*Song: **"O God, Our Help in Ages Past"** Red 405 vs 1, 2, 4, 6
*Profession of Faith: Belgic Confession – **Article 1** (p 817)
*Song: **"Hours and Days and Years and Ages"** Red 401

OPEN YOUR HEARTS TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination
Scripture: **Revelation 1: 1 – 8** (p 1080)
Meditation: **"Him Who Is and Was and Is to Come"**
Prayer of Application
*Song: **"Abide with Me"** Red 466 vs 1, 3, 4

PRAYERS AND OFFERINGS

Share Prayer requests
Intercessory Prayer
Offering: **Benevolence**

OFFER YOURSELVES TO GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART

*Song: **"Praise and Thanksgiving"** Red 873
*Parting Blessing
*Doxology: **"Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"** Red 590 vs 1, 8
*Postlude

*stand if you are able

Sermon Notes for Sunday Morning, January 1, 2023
"Wisdom's Invitation" ~ Proverbs 9

Looking Back to 2022: the connecting theme of _____

Looking Ahead to 2023: the connecting theme of _____

A. The Call of Wisdom (vs. 1–6) vs. The Call of Folly (vs. 13–18)

1. Similarities

2. Differences

B. Wise _____ must factor in the other person's _____
(vs. 7–9)

C. Godly _____ begins with the _____ and knowledge of God
(vs. 10 – 12)

Sermon Notes for Sunday Evening, January 1, 2023
"Him Who Is and Was and Is to Come"
Revelation 1:1–8

Introduction: Getting into the Book of Revelation

1. it is _____

2. it is a _____

3. it is a _____

A. Those are blessed:

1. who _____

2. who _____ and take _____

B. God's Triune Identity:

1. God across _____

2. Seven _____

3. _____ Christ

C. Call to Worship:

1. God's _____

2. God's _____