

## **Church Calendar**

**Today** 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship w/Coffee Fellowship  
6:00 p.m. Evening Worship

### **SERVING OUR FELLOWSHIP TODAY**

**Greeters:** A.M. Kevin & Tonya Wiekamp, Aaron & Renee Alons  
P.M. Gerald & Deb Alons, Carol & Cork Bootsma

**Nursery:** A.M. Adrienne & Shae Reitsma  
P.M. Alvina Reitsma, Carol Buteyn

**Children in Worship:** Jessica Schreurs, Amber Stange

**Hospitality:** Brian & Cindy Koldenhoven, Larry & Shyla Stanley,  
Tyler & Anna Van Ess

**Prairie View visiting:** (May 12 - 18) Ray Elgersma

**Video:** Mike Verhoef **Audio:** Ben Reitsma

**Power Point:** Kristie Verhoef **Doors:** Ray Elgersma

### **NEXT SUNDAY**

**Offering:** A.M. 1<sup>st</sup> – Budget, 2<sup>nd</sup> - CES (Fair Share)  
P.M. Local Vacation Bible School

**Greeters** A.M. Jerry & Sharla Back,  
Bill Roelfs & Don Uittenbogaard  
P.M. Larry & Karen Bosma,  
Larry Hofman & Harold Hoftzyer

**Nursery:** A.M. Amanda Vander Berg, Brody Elgersma  
P.M. Linda Oldenkamp, Hailey Olson

**Children in Worship:** Jessica Schreurs, Linda Oldenkamp

**Organist/Pianist:** A.M. and P.M. Starla Reitsma

**Hospitality:** Dale & Julie Elgersma, Rich & Joy Vander Werff,  
Liz Elgersma

**Prairie View visiting** (May 19 - 25) Bob Oldenkamp

**Video:** Travis Solsma **Audio:** Bob Oldenkamp

**Power Point:** John M. Vander Haag, Craig Solsma

**Doors:** A.M. Rich Vander Werff P.M. Ben Reitsma

**Hartley/Melvin/Sanborn Graduation** ~ Sunday, May 19 at 2 p.m.

**Western Christian's Graduation** ~ Tuesday, May 21 at 7 p.m. in the Gym

**Sanborn Christian's Graduation** ~ Wed., May 22 at 7 p.m. in our Church

**Hartley/Melvin/Sanborn 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation** ~ Thursday, May 30  
at 7 p.m. in the Middle School Gym

**Church Softball League** ~ Games will be on Wednesday's at 7:00 PM  
starting on June 12 and going through August 14 at Miller Park.  
Please start organizing your teams!

**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**

**Rev. Aldon Kuiper** is leading us in worship today. Today, we want to give thanks to God for our Moms, as we celebrate **Mother's Day**.

The **Casting of Lots** for **Elders and Deacons** will take place during the morning service today.

**First Fruits committee**, meet after morning worship in the Pastor's Study  
**Christian Education Society meeting** ~ next Sunday, May 19 after the morning service. An agenda was in your mailbox last week.

**Our church** will be in charge of **Prairie View's 2 pm worship service** next week Sunday. Please consider joining with the residents that afternoon.

### **CONGREGATIONAL NOTES**

The **Deacons** desire to make you aware of a special need that our current Benevolent fund balance cannot support. John Schreurs continues to struggle mentally and physically from his traumatic brain injury. John has been going to a neurological chiropractor and has seen some positive results. However, major improvement is still needed for John to live life as he once did. John's next step is 6 months of intense neurological therapy. This clinic has a very high success rate and they have told John he should see significant improvement. However, Health Insurance will not cover the cost of this treatment. **We ask the congregation** to please consider giving specifically to this need. Talk to one of the deacons for more details. Remember John and Jessica and their family with your visits and prayers this spring and summer.

### **Updates from the CES Board**

**CES Pulled Pork fundraiser** – Your orders will be ready for pickup this Friday, May 17. Thanks so much for your great support!

**Fairshare Obligations** ~ Approximately \$18,000 is due for the 2018/2019 school year. Please prayerfully consider these needs in your giving.

**Upcoming Fundraisers** ~ We have four upcoming work opportunities at Yesterday's Museum. Please see back table for sign up opportunities to work, donate food, prepare food, etc. We are asking all families with students at SCS, WCHS, and UCS to sign up for a work shift, and to prepare/donate food. We will also need additional help in all of these areas from the congregation. Contact Adrienne Reitsma with questions, etc. Thank you in advance for your willingness to serve!

**The CES Board**

## **Additional Announcements**

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

1. Part-time Janitor / Custodian - approximately 25-30 hours per week
2. 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, call Mr. Minderhoud @ 729-3288 or by email at [sanchr@sanbornchristian.com](mailto:sanchr@sanbornchristian.com)

Traffic in the **Bargain Alley Thrift store** has increased this last month and we really need more volunteers, especially on Saturday. Would you consider volunteering a couple of hours a week, or every other week, or even a month? There are various jobs that need to be done that we can plug you into. Perhaps you can get a couple of people to carpool with you. Please call Kari Hoekstra at 712-441-2332 or Wes Fopma at 712-449-5382 if you are interested or if you have questions. We do need your help. Proceeds support Christian education.

**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.

**Do you want to maximize the impact of the resources God has entrusted to you? James Prichard** will be meeting with Christian families in our area on May 28 & 29. Simply call Ann Zacek at Barnabas Foundation toll-free at 888.448.3040 (Ext. 121) to schedule your complimentary conversation with Jim. To help you get started, you may also request a free special resource titled "7 Reasons to Review Your Will" by simply sending an e-mail request with "7 Reasons Request" in the subject line to [info@BarnabasFoundation.com](mailto:info@BarnabasFoundation.com)

A **Poverty Simulation** event will take place at the Immanuel CRC on Thurs., May 30 at 10:30 a.m. "*Walk A While in These Shoes*". Please RSVP as soon as possible by calling Love, INC at 324-9707. More information is on the bulletin board.

## **CONGREGATIONAL LIFE**

Continue to pray for **Verla Elgersma, Jon Sybesma, and Valerie Greene** as they undergo treatments for their cancer.

Keep **Jean De Jong** and **John Vander Werff** in your prayers, as they continue under Hospice Care.

## **LIFTING LAMBS TO THE SHEPHERD**

Larry & Alvina Reitsma

Brian & Cindy Koldenhoven

Shane Davis ~ Nathan, Benjamin

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

Vacation Bible School will be held June 3 – 7 in the First Reformed Church. Register your child on-line at <http://tmab.cokesburyvbs.com/frc>

## **Bible League prayer requests**

**Middle East.** Pray for a new believer who accepted Christ as his Lord. He is from a Muslim background in the Middle East and is facing many troubles for knowing Jesus. He lost his job and his family has abandoned him. Please pray for encouragement and strength.

**Translation.** Pray for God to lift up the spirits of the Swahili translation editor, George, and the associate editor, Edwin. Thank God for the wonderful reception to the New Testament and the eager anticipation for the complete Bible.

**Love, Inc requests** ~ There are currently 30 households earning vouchers! Donated items may be brought to the Love INC office or dropped off at Church (Fireside Room). Your involvement in this ministry is appreciated! Items needed ~ Toilet Paper, Laundry Detergent, Kleenex, Paper Towels, Dryer Sheets, Paper Plates & Napkins, Refried Beans, Mandarin Oranges, Peaches, Brownie Mix, Kool-Aid Mix, Pasta Salad Maker

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

*"God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God."* II Corinthians 5: 21

**THE LORD'S DAY – May 12, 2019**  
**MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE 9:30 A.M.**

**Guest Pastor: Rev. Aldon Kuiper**

**GOD GATHERS HIS PEOPLE**

Prelude: Leah Kreutner

Welcome

- \* Call to Worship ~ Revelations 1: 12 - 18
- \* Hymn of Praise **"Crown Him with Many Crowns"** LUYH 223
- \* God's Greeting
- \* Greeting One Another
- \* Hymn **#412 "Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun"** vs 1,2,4,5  
LUYH 219

**TO RENEW OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH HIM**

God's Will for Our Lives

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon ~ Colossians 2: 13 - 15

- \* Song of Confession **"In Christ Alone"** LUYH 770

Congregational Prayer

Storytime w/ Shannon *"Mother's Day"*

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 40-41**

*"The Good Shepherd/The Lord's Supper"*

(Children will be brought to Classroom across the hall for a snack)

**TO HEAR HIS WORD**

Scripture: **John 20: 11 – 18** (p 947)

Message: **"A Joyous No-More-Crying Morning"**

Prayer

**GOD SENDS US FORTH WITH HIS BLESSING**

- \* Hymn **"I Know that My Redeemer Lives"** vs 1 -3,6 LUYH 193
  - \* God's Parting Blessing
  - \* Doxology **"He Lives, All Glory to His Name"** vs 7 LUYH 193
  - \* Moment of Silent Reflection
  - \* Postlude
- \*Stand if you are able

**THE LORD'S DAY – May 12, 2019**  
**EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE 6:00 P.M.**  
**Guest Pastor: Rev. Aldon Kuiper**

**LET US PREPARE OUR HEARTS TO WORSHIP**

Prelude: Joy Vander Werff  
Welcome  
Call to Worship  
Silent Prayer

**LET US WORSHIP GOD WITH JOYFUL HEART**

Songs of Praise ***"Jesus Draw Me Ever Nearer"*** LUYH 660  
***"I Need Thee Every Hour"*** LUYH 322  
\* ***"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"*** LUYH 897

- \* God's Greeting
- Our Profession of Faith
- Congregational Prayer

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

Scripture: **Jeremiah 32: 17 – 25; 36 – 38** (p 687)  
Prayer for Illumination  
Message: **"Is Prayer Possible?"**  
Prayer

**LET US OFFER GOD OUR THANKSGIVING**

Offering: **World Renew - DRS**

**LET US LIVE THE WORD OF GOD**

- \* Hymn ***"Before the Throne of God Above"*** LUYH 682
- \* God's Parting Blessing
- \* Doxology #633 ***"He Is Lord"***
- \* Silent Prayer

\*Stand if you are able