

PRAYER ITEMS AND CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

On Monday our Elders approved the transfer of membership of **Chris & Nikki and Tayden & Bryah Van Beek** from the Cornerstone URC. We welcome them into our church family.

LIFTING LAMBS TO THE SHEPHERD

Erin & Jenny Campbell ~ Claire Bill Roelfs
Kevin & Ann Hofman ~ Jaxon

Milly Kroese will celebrate her 90th Birthday next Sunday. Cards placed in her church mailbox will be delivered to her.

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.

Baby Shower for **Indie Ellena Sybesma**, our newest church member. The playpen is set up in the Fellowship Hall for your gift to her.

Your partnership in the ATLAS Ministry is an honor and an appreciation to the community. We see much of the needs being met here.

Gratefully, Osceola ATLAS Staff & Board

Sanborn Christian School holds a special place in all our hearts. You're invited to join me in praying over the school on Tuesday, November 29. Please meet me in the gym at 7:30 am and walk through the halls as we pray for the staff, students, and events that happen here. Your children are welcome also! Our school community has much to lift up in prayer and to be thankful for. ~ Mrs. Moss

You are invited to join this year's Sanborn-wide **Christmas Caroling!** Meet at Cornerstone URC at 7:00 PM on Dec. 7 for instructions, go out caroling across town, and back to Cornerstone URC for fellowship & goodies.

**Ministry is our love for Christ
dressed in working clothes**

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

WORSHIP NOTES

Today is Communion Sunday. If you are truly sorry for your sins, sincerely believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as Savior, earnestly desire to lead a Godly life, and are a participating (professing) member in a Christian Church you're invited to partake of the Lord's Supper today.

First Fruits committee meet after the A.M. service in Pastor's study.

CONGREGATIONAL NOTES

Sunday Evening Bible Study group will meet next Sunday, Dec. 4 at 6:15 p.m. You're welcome to join us for Lesson 3 in "Philippians".

Our annual **Congregational meeting** is Tues., Dec. 6, at 7 p.m. There will be reports from Pastor Westra, the Evangelism & Building committees. We will also approve a 2023 budget. Info. in mailboxes.

Church Christmas Program – Sunday, Dec. 18 at 5 PM
Christmas Day - Sunday December 25 AM Service – no 5 PM service

Evangelism Committee – donations for **Love, INC** and **UDMO** are on the table by the GEMS cards. (by December 18)

Giving Tree: The tags w/ items listed on them are for UDMO (needed by Dec.12 - write tag # on gift). Small brown tags are for cash, for Love INC's Personal Supply closet, which the Evangelism committee will use to purchase the needed items (these tags needed by Dec. 25).

Interested in playing in our church band at our Christmas program on Sunday evening, December 18? If you used to play an instrument and would like to dust off your playing skills, please let Catherine know, and she will get you music and also find you an instrument if you need one.

A huge **"Thank You!"** goes out to all who donated and helped this week with the Community Thanksgiving Dinner held in our church. It was a great time of good food and fellowship; About 90 people were served and several take-out orders were prepared. May His name be praised!

Sanborn Christian School's Fall/Christmas Concert is scheduled for this Friday, December 2 at 7:00 pm in the Sanborn CRC sanctuary. The 2:00 pm program practice is open for those who can't attend at night.

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please consider attending the **Western Christian Foundation Luncheon** on Wednesday, December 7. This will begin at 12:30 PM in the Western Christian Event Center. Please RSVP by contacting Brad Vis - brad.vis@westernchristianhs.com or 605-359-5704.

***Friday, December 9 at 7:30 pm** the Dordt University Chorale, Canons of Dordt, Bella Voce, and Concert Choir will present a program of sounds of the season from around the world. Please join us for a delightful evening of music as we celebrate the coming Messiah!

***Saturday, December 10 at 7:30 pm** join the Dordt Music Department for the final concert of the semester by the Dordt Instrumental ensembles. The Wind Symphony will feature Canons of Dordt (male vocal ensemble) and the Chamber Orchestra will perform Mozart's *Symphony No. 40*, alongside the Campus-Community Band.

**Both of these concerts will be in the B.J. Haan auditorium will be livestreamed at <https://www.dordt.edu/livestream>

Bible League prayers requests for Africa

Burundi ~ Many schools and churches are enrolling in the *Project Philip* training. Please pray for the efforts of these training sessions.

DR Congo ~ *Project Philip* Bible studies students included a Headman (a chief) plus his wife and eight children, as well as six chieftains and their wives and children. The outcome of the training outreach stands at eleven children and three men professing faith in Jesus as Lord and Savior, including the Headman.

Rwanda ~ Pray for the *Project Philip* ministry in Bible study groups, running in the Eastern Province, and for those attending the program to be changed by the Word of God.

Advent ~ We know God always loves us and is kind to us and that he sent his Son, Jesus, to save us from our sins and give us eternal life. This is our great hope! Listen now at kidscorner.net

The Magi ~ A Reminder that Jesus Came for All Nations - The Magi may not be present at Christ's birth like most nativity sets would suggest, but the inclusion of the Magi in the gospel of Matthew is strategic and intentional. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com

Calling/Visiting Senior Members ~ Nov. 27 – Dec. 3

(Sanborn) Pastor Phil & Michelle Westra
(Sheldon) Bill Roelfs

TODAY ~ November 27

PPoint: Alan Visser family
Video: Levi Westra
Audio: Ben Reitsma
Doors: Ray Elgersma
Nursery: Laremy & Anna S, Mya S
Greeters: Jesse Graves
Jack & Carol Elgersma
CIW: Tonya W, Maria VV
Accom: AM Starla R PM Catherine S
Offering: AM Budget, Mission Fund
PM Bible League
Hospitality: Cork & Carol Bootsma
John & Jessica Schreurs
Esther De Boer

NEXT WEEK ~ December 4

Amber Stange, Craig Solsma
Karter Van Meeteren
Bob Oldenkamp
AM Rich VW PM Keven VM
Chyann Schreur, Levi Westra
Brent & Lindsey Koldenhoven
Brian & Cindy Koldenhoven
Tonya W, Amanda VB
AM Jamie C PM Joy VW
AM Budget, CES (Fair Share)
PM Benevolence
Aaron & Renee Alons
Gerrit & Carol Wiekamp
Shane & Nikki Sybesma

NO Sunday School or Catechism classes today

5:00 p.m.

Worship service

Monday

5:00 p.m.
6:45 p.m.

Building Committee meeting
GEMS Meeting (Lessons 3 & 4)

Friday

7:00 p.m.

SCS Fall/Christmas program in our church

Church Mailboxes: Congregational Meeting agenda & proposed budget
Bible League newsletter (offering at PM service)
Sanborn Christian's School Bell
December CRCNA Prayer Guide

NEW on Literature table: Cornerstone Prison Church newsletter
International Seafarer's Ministry newsletter
Newsletter from Jairo & Kelly Solono
Rise Ministries newsletter
Northern Lighthouse's "Beacon"

THE LORD'S DAY – November 27, 2022
MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE 9:30 A.M.
FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
Pastor Phil Westra

IN HIS PRESENCE

Prelude: Starla Reitsma
Welcome and Announcements
Advent Reading and Prayer ~ *John & Amy Vander Haag*
*Song: **"What Child is This"** Red 95
*God's Greeting and Mutual Greeting
*Song: **"You Are Holy"** Red 598

IN HIS GRACE

Prayer of Confession
Assurance of Pardon: *Matthew 1: 20 – 21*
*Song: **"On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry"** Red 70 vs 1 - 4
Congregational Prayer

Offertory: *"Wonderful, Merciful Savior"* Starla & Catherine
Offerings: 1st - **Budget** 2nd – **Mission Fund**
Children's Offering – **Goats for World Renew**
3 – 6 year-olds ~ **Children in Worship**: L 18 "Advent II– Mary & Joseph"

IN HIS WORD

*Song: **"Spirit of the Living God"** Red 749
Scripture: **John 14: 23 – 27** (p 941)
Message: **"Wonderful Counselor"**
*Song: **"Once in Royal David's City"** Red 87 vs 1 - 4

Celebration of the Lord's Supper
Song: **"Behold the Lamb"** Red 840
*Response in Unison: *Psalms 103: 1 – 5*
*Parting Blessing
*Doxology: **"Good Christian Friends, Rejoice"** Red 98 vs 3
*Postlude

*stand if you are able

THE LORD'S DAY – November 27, 2022
EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE 5:00 P.M.
Pastor Phil Westra

LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS TO GOD WITH PRAISE

Prelude: Catherine Schreur
Welcome and Announcements
*Call to Worship: *Isaiah 40: 3*
*Opening Prayer
*God's Greeting

LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS TO GOD WITH THANKSGIVING

*Song: **"His Name is Wonderful"** PB 20
*Profession of Faith: Belgic Confession – Article 17 (p 833)
*Song: **"It Came Upon a Midnight Clear"** PB 10

OPEN YOUR HEARTS TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination
Scripture: **Luke 1: 39 – 45** (p 892)
Meditation: **"Leaping for Joy"**
Prayer of Application
*Song **"Joyous Light of Heavenly Glory"** Red 389

PRAYERS AND OFFERINGS

Share Prayer requests
Intercessory Prayer
Offering: **Bible League**

OFFER YOURSELVES TO GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART

*Song: **"God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending"** Red 876
*Parting Blessing
*Doxology: **"Give Thanks"** Red 358
*Postlude

*stand if you are able

Sermon Notes for Sunday Morning, November 27, 2022
"Wonderful Counselor"
John 14: 23 - 27

Introduction: Helpful and Unhelpful Counsel

A. Being a Good Counselor

1. Receptive to be Counseled _____
2. _____ toward _____ Understanding
3. Guide others with _____ and _____

B. Jesus Christ the Wonderful Counselor

1. Aligned with _____
2. _____ People in _____
3. The _____, the _____, and the _____

C. The Holy Spirit our Abiding Counselor

1. Sent by God the _____ and Christ the _____
2. Dwells _____ and _____ God's People
3. _____ and _____ us of Jesus Christ

Sermon Notes for Sunday Evening, November 27, 2022
"Leaping for Joy"
Luke 1: 39 – 45

Joy: An Important Theme of Advent

A. Sublime Joy and Ecstatic Joy

B. The Joy of Preborn John

C. Bringing Joy to a Hurting World