

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

The membership papers for **Lauren Vander Berg** were sent to the Spirit Lake United Methodist Church at her request. May the Lord bless her in her new church home.

Prairie View Home

Thelma Elgersma Katy Vander Velde

Fieldcrest

Veda Bousema Hazel Kuiper

Sanford Senior Care

Harv Verbrugge

Village Northwest

David Van Oort Tim Mouw

LIFTING LAMBS TO THE SHEPHERD

John & Laura Elgersma Scott Horstman Terry & Lori Bootsma

Young Adult of the Week ~ Cody Sybesma works at Sybesma Graphics. Notes to him may be put in Shane Sybesma's mailbox.

Katy Vander Velde's 96th Birthday is this **Tuesday, Nov. 9th**

Longkumer's prayer request ~ We have started our English classes online for the term, as restrictions don't allow classes to meet face to face. Please pray that soon we may study in person with our students.

A heartfelt **THANK YOU** for all your help making this Work-A-Thon a great success! It was so rewarding to be the hands and feet of Christ in our community! In addition, we were able to raise a little over \$20,000 for Sanborn Christian School! To God be the glory for all He has done and provided! If you have any pictures from the Work-A-Thon you may send to scsworkathon@gmail.com

REGISTER FOR AN EXPERIENCE OF A LIFE TIME! Tri-State Teens Encounter Christ (TEC) is accepting applications for the upcoming weekend at the American Ref. Church ~ Luverne, MN, Nov. 19-21. TEC is an interdenominational three-day Christian retreat designed to help high schoolers learn more about their faith and their community. If you would like to learn more about TEC or register, please visit www.TriStateTEC.org or email TriStateTEC@gmail.com The cost is \$50 (t-shirt & gifts). Scholarships are available upon request.

The only kingdom that will prevail is the kingdom that is not of this world

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

CONGREGATIONAL NOTES

Deacons Note: We thank everyone for their faithful giving. We're only \$22,000 from meeting our 2021 Approved Budget. We'll keep you informed; but any surplus funds will be put towards next year's budget.

Our church is again sponsoring a **Community Thanksgiving Dinner after our worship service on Thanksgiving Day**. A flyer with details is in your mailbox. You are all welcomed to attend, bring family/friends! The community is invited to share this traditional holiday meal with us. If you would be willing to help with donating food or preparation for the dinner, signup sheets are in the Fellowship Hall. This event is coordinated by the Fellowship Committee. **"Give Thanks with A Grateful Heart"**

*Help us decorate our **Thanksgiving tree** in the fellowship hall. There are leaves in the basket next to the tree for you to write what you are thankful to God for. Make an ornament or two and hang them on the tree. We will use what is written on these thanksgiving ornaments in our worship service on Thanksgiving Day.

The Vander Haag family invites you to an Open House at the Museum for **John C., to celebrate his 90th Birthday, Sat., Nov. 20th, from 2-5 pm.**

Sunday Evening Bible Study tonight at 6:15 p.m. We're studying **John** – "*Life encounters with Jesus*". Larry & Karen will lead Lesson 2 and provide lunch. Anyone may visit!

Ladies' Bible Study will meet Tuesday, November 9, at 1:30, and will study Lesson 5, I Corinthians 5-6.

Our "**Drive-Through Heat & Eat Soup & Dessert Supper**" is Wed, Nov. 17th from 3:30-6:30pm. Many hands will be preparing and serving at this community-wide event. Everyone should have received a donation sheet in their mailbox, and parents should also have a work shift assignment sheet. Another copy needed? Contact Robin Van Meeteren.

Our church will be conducting a **Chapel Service at the Sioux City Gospel Mission** on Thursday, November 18. If you wish to join those attending, please meet at church by 5:15 p.m. to carpool.

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sanborn Christian is looking for someone, or a partnership, to serve as the **SCS janitor**. This is a part-time position that would start as soon as possible, and would be to complete this 2021-2022 school year and through the summer. Opportunity to continue long term would be desirable. If you have interest, or would like more information, please contact Mr. Minderhoud at sanchr@sanbornchristian.com or call 712-729-3288, or contact Brent Koldenhoven (Bldg. Committee Chair)

EXPLORE WESTERN ~ Share this opportunity with friends and family interested in learning about Christ-centered education at Western!

Go to <https://youtube/QEgfoxbz6eM>

Hear "**staff stories**" about student services, fine arts programs, student activities, a refreshed vision of Bible curriculum. We believe that everything we do is an act of worshipping God, and we invite you into this story! Come Explore Western on **Tues., Nov. 16 from 7- 8 pm**. Please contact Brad Vis - brad.vis@westernchristianhs.com or 605-359-5704 for any questions and to RSVP that you plan to attend.

"Celebrate Western Online Auction" runs thru **Monday, November 15**.

Bid/purchase items at zomerbid.com

Friday, November 19 is the Community **Thanksgiving Banquet at Western, from 5 – 8 pm** in the Event Center; no RSVP – freewill donation. At the same time there will be **Silent auction items** for in-person bidding and a **Kids Carnival event** in the gym.

**Meat, freezer meals, & auction items can be picked up this evening.

The Dordt University Music Department will present a **Small Ensembles Recital** on Friday, November 12, at 7:30 p.m. in the B.J. Haan..

The Northwest Iowa Symphony Orchestra will present a Fall Concert, "Winter Dreams from Russia," on Tuesday, November 16, at 7:30 p.m. B.J. Haan at Dordt University. Online tickets at <https://niso.dordt.edu> or at the door. Contact the NISO office at 712-722-6230 or niso@dordt.edu.

Cornerstone Prison Church "Christmas Sack" program

(No homemade fudge allowed, but monetary donations to purchase pre-packaged candy for the inmates) Send to Cornerstone Prison Church c/o Dave Vande Kamp, 801 South Gordon Drive, Sioux Falls, SD 57110. Thank you for your support!

Writing Missionaries for November

Ben & Adrienne Reitsma Kevin & Ann Hofman Ken & Leilla Reitsma

Calling/Visiting Senior Members ~ Nov. 7 - 13

Erin & Jenny Campbell (Sheldon) Jerry & Carol Buteyn (Sanborn)

TODAY ~ November 7

PPoint: Amber Stange, Craig Solsma

Video: Karter Van Meeteren

Audio: Bob Oldenkamp

Doors: Ray Elgersma

Nursery: Anna VE, Kaylen K.

CIW: Renee Alons, Shannon Rydberg

Pianist: AM Jamie C. PM Catherine S.

Offering: AM Budget, CES (Fair Share)

PM Benevolence

Hospitality: Brendan & Erin Olson

Mike & Bonita Elgersma

Erin & Jenny Campbell

Next Week -November 14

Koldenhoven's

Jeri Prins

Aaron Alons

AM Rich V.W. PM Ben R.

Kristie Verhoef, Kaleb Visser

Shannon Rydberg, Linda O.

AM Starla Reitsma, Joy V.W.

AM Budget, Building Fund

PM Charity Auto/N. Lighthouse

John & Laura Elgersma

Jeromy & Paige De Kok

Pastor Phil & Michelle W.

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

5:00 p.m. Evening Worship Service

6:15 p.m. Sunday Night Bible Study

Monday 6:45 p.m. GEMS meeting

7:00 p.m. Deacons meeting

Tuesday 1:30 p.m. Ladies Bible Fellowship

In church mailboxes: "Five Sola's of the Reformation" sheet, Nov. Offering schedule, "Library Lines", 'Thanksgiving meal' flyer

THE LORD'S DAY – November 7, 2021
MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE 9:30 A.M.
Pastor Phil Westra

IN HIS PRESENCE

Prelude: Jamie Carlson
Welcome and Announcements
*Call to Worship: *Psalm 103: 2 - 5*
*Song: **"You Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim"**
*Opening Prayer LUYH 582 vs 1, 2, 4
*God's Greeting
*Song: **"How Deep the Father's Love for Us"**

IN HIS GRACE

Prayer of Confession
Assurance of Pardon: *Psalm 103: 8 - 13*
*Song: **"O Come, My Soul, Sing Praise to God"** LUYH 672 vs 1, 2, 5
*Profession of Faith: Apostles' Creed
Storytime w/ Shannon
Song: **"Jesus Loves the Little Children"**
Congregational Prayer
Offerings: 1st - **Budget** 2nd – **CES (Fair Share)**
Children's Offering – **Goats for World Renew**
3 – 6 year-olds ~ **Children in Worship:** Lesson 9 *"Abram & Sarai"*

IN HIS WORD

Prayer for Illumination
Scripture: **2 Corinthians 5: 16 – 21** (p 1010)
Heidelberg Catechism: **Q & A 56** (p 884)
Message: **"Experiencing and Practicing Forgiveness"**
Prayer of Application
*Song: **"Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive"** LUYH 638

IN HIS SERVICE

*Parting Blessing
*Doxology: **"Go, My Children, with My Blessing"** LUYH 946 vs 2
*Moment of Meditation
*Postlude

*stand if you are able

THE LORD'S DAY – November 7, 2021
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: *Psalm 95: 1 – 2, 6 - 7*
Opening Prayer
*God's Greeting

LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS TO GOD WITH THANKSGIVING

*Song: **"Now with Joyful Exultation"** LUYH 512 vs 1 - 3
*Profession of Faith: *Psalm 119: 1 - 16*
*Song: **"Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God"** LUYH 746

Share Prayer Requests
Intercessory Prayer

Offering: **Benevolence**

OPEN YOUR HEARTS TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

*Song: **"Thy Word"** PB 12
Scripture: **Matthew 3: 13 – 4: 11** (p 841)
Message: **"Scripture Alone"**
Prayer of Application
*Closing Song: **"How Firm a Foundation"** LUYH 427 vs 1, 2, 5

OFFER YOURSELVES TO GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART

*Parting Blessing
*Doxology: **"Now Thank We All Our God"** LUYH 543 vs 3
*Moment of Meditation
*Postlude

*stand if you are able

Sermon Notes – November 7, 2021 AM
"Experiencing and Practicing Forgiveness"
2 Corinthians 5:16-21 ~ Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 56

Introduction: Living Our Beliefs

A. Forgiveness Defined and Defended

1. Definition: Forgiveness is _____
2. Clarification: Forgiving is not the same as _____
3. Justice: Forgiveness and _____

B. Forgiveness Given and Received

1. Removing our _____ and _____
2. Only _____, Never _____
3. "Forgive as you have been forgiven"

C. Forgiveness Applied and Practiced ~ Worthington's REACH Model

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Sermon Notes – November 7, 2021 PM
"Scripture Alone: The Authority, Sufficiency, Necessity, & Clarity of the Bible" ~ Matthew 3:13 - 4:11

Introduction: The Tipping Point

1. God's Revelation

- a. _____ Revelation and _____ Revelation
- b. Word _____ and Word _____
- c. The _____ of the Holy Bible
- d. The Testaments and Genres of the Bible
- e. God's Word is _____ and _____

2. What do we believe about the Authority of Scripture?

3. What do we believe about the Sufficiency of Scripture?

4. What do we believe about the Necessity of Scripture?

5. What do we believe about the Clarity of Scripture?

Q&A