

## **PRAYER ITEMS AND CONGREGATIONAL LIFE**

**Terry Van Dyke** has moved to his new home. His address is c/o Correctionville Specialty Care, 1116 Hwy 20, Room 206, Correctionville, IA 51016-8055. His phone number is still 461-1149

Upon their request, the elders approved the membership transfer of Ben and Tina Meyers along with their children Maxwell, Mitchel, and Matthew, to First Reformed Church of Sanborn.

### **LIFTING LAMBS TO THE SHEPHERD**

Gerald Dragstra                      Bill Roelfs  
Ben & Adrienne Reitsma ~ Ava, Shae, Drew

### **Sanford Senior Care**

Harv Verbrugge                      Hazel Kuiper    Veda Bousema

### **Village Northwest    Correctionville Specialty Care**

Tim Mouw                              Terry Van Dyke

**Young Adult of the Week ~ Jake Altena** is a Jr. High Math teacher and basketball coach in Littleton, CO. His address is under Erin & Jenny Campbell in the church phone book.

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**Justice for All is hiring!** Full time warehouse/transportation manager. Join the staff at JFA to further the ministry. Coordinate shipments, organize donated items, and build relationships with volunteers and ministry partners. CDL encouraged, but not required. Discover the way God uses JFA to meet the needs of those in our area, around the country, and around the world. Send cover letter and resume to Joel De Wit at [joeldw@jfa-nwiowa.org](mailto:joeldw@jfa-nwiowa.org) or contact for more information and full job description at 712.739.0055

## **The recognition of sin is the beginning of Salvation**

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

### **WORSHIP NOTES**

The Morning worship service is on Church's website [sanbornrc.com](http://sanbornrc.com) and the YouTube link <http://youtube.com/@sanbornrc/live>

We will witness the Professions of Faith of **Karter Van Meeteren** and **Conner Sybesma** during our Morning Service today.

Sunday School and Catechism Classes resume today

First Fruits committee –meet after the AM service in Pastor's Study.

### **CONGREGATIONAL NOTES**

**Sunday Evening Bible Study** will meet at 6:15 p.m. today. Dave Hofman will lead us in Lesson 4 in the Psalms. Anyone is welcome!

**Mark your Calendars!** CES "Drive-Thru Heat & Eat Soup/Dessert Supper" is **Wednesday, January 17<sup>th</sup>**, from 3:30 – 6:30 p.m.

We appreciate the help from the Congregation for this major fundraiser for our CES.

**Soup Makers/ Dessert Makers:** If you're willing to make a double batch of soup and/ or an extra dessert, please let Tonja Hoogers know. We'd love to have more as we ran out last year!

**Parents:** Work shifts have been assigned to you. If you need to trade, please do so and let Tonja know.

**The Abide Project** is hosting a regional event at First CRC in Sheldon the evening of January 16 from 5:00 to 9:30. Participants may attend part or all of this event, which includes a meal, worship, panel discussions, and time for Q&A. To get more information and register, go to the website [abideproject.org](http://abideproject.org), click on the link for "Iowa Midwest Regional Gathering," and then click the "Register" button. The registration deadline is Friday, January 12.

**Updating Church Pictorial Directory** – We would like our church family to submit a picture in the next few weeks. For those who don't have a current picture, we will take pictures at church a couple of Sunday in the near future. Photos are the clearest if they are sent directly to the church's e-mail in a Jpeg, versus scanning photos.

## **ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

This year at **Sanborn Christian**, our **school theme is the Armor of God**. In January, we will be looking at the Shield of Faith. We would like to share some evidence with our students during chapel of how God continues to work in the lives of His people, just as He did during the Bible times. Have you experienced the faithfulness of God in your life or seen the evidence of answered prayers? If so, we'd love to hear from you!! Psalm 78:4 says, "We will not hide them from their descendants; we will tell the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the Lord, his power, and the wonders he has done." We would like to compile some faith stories from our school community to share with our students to encourage them in their faith. If you would be willing to share, please talk to Holly Rozenboom or Catherine Schreur or send an email to [hrozenboom@sanbornchristian.com](mailto:hrozenboom@sanbornchristian.com).

The **Dordt University Chamber Orchestra** invites you to a concert at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, January 12 in the **B.J. Haan Auditorium**. This free concert is part of a winter tour with performances scheduled in Illinois, Michigan, Indiana, and Iowa. Join us for an evening of music for the Glory of God! The concert will also be available on livestream at [www.dordt.edu/live-events](http://www.dordt.edu/live-events)

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**Caring for You** - Did you know that along with caring for others, God wants us to care for ourselves, too? It makes God happy when you treat your body with respect and care, just like you would treat a special, holy temple. Check out all the great content at **kidscorner.net**, like KC's The Bible in One Year Plan.

**Compassion** - The Christlike virtue of compassion is more than an emotion. Join Groundwork as we explore Matthew 9:36, Colossians 3:12-14, and 2 Corinthians 1:3-4 to discover why the apostle Paul identifies compassion as a defining characteristic in followers of Jesus and what it looks like in our everyday lives. Listen now at **GroundworkOnline.com** and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

## **Writing Missionaries in the Month of January**

Rich & Joy Vander Werff                      John & Jessica Schreurs  
Dave & Ruth Hoogland

## **Calling/Visiting Senior Members ~ January 7 - 13**

(Sanborn) John & Laura Elgersma  
(Sheldon) Chet & Maria Vander Velde

## **CHURCH CALENDAR**

### **TODAY January 7**

PPoint: Brent Koldenhoven  
Video: Jeri Prins  
Audio: Aaron Alons  
Doors: AM Rich VW PM Ben R  
CIW: Linda O, Robin VM, Kinley S  
Nursery: Ann Hofman, Levi Westra  
Greeters: Josh & Shannon Rydberg  
Lee & Starla Reitsma  
Accom: AM Jamie C PM Catherine S  
Offering: AM Budget, CES (Fair Share)  
PM Benevolence  
Hospitality: Kevin & Tonya Wiekamp  
Seth & Shelby Irmiter  
Larry & Karen Bosma

### **Next Week – January 14**

Tonya Wiekamp  
Aidan Carlson  
Stefan Sybesma  
Brian Koldenhoven  
Linda O, Judy V, Kaylen K  
Sara Schilling, Chloe Rydberg  
John & Jessica Schreurs  
Nick & Sara Schilling  
AM & PM Starla Reitsma  
AM Budget, Bldg. Projects Fund  
PM Crossroads Prison Ministry  
Mike & Kristie Verhoef  
Nick & Sara Schilling  
Don Uittenbogaard

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

**5:00 p.m.      Worship Service**  
6:15 p.m.      Sunday Evening Bible Study

Monday 6:45 p.m. GEMS Meeting  
7:00 p.m. Deacons Meeting

**On Literature table:** Cadet Newsletter

**In Mailboxes:** Klompjen Newsletter from Nepal  
Deacon's report/Offering schedule

**THE LORD'S DAY – January 7, 2024**  
**MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE 9:30 A.M.**  
**Pastor Phil Westra**

**IN HIS PRESENCE**

Prelude: Jamie Carlson

Welcome and Announcements

\*Call to Worship: *Psalm 75: 1 – 3*

\*Opening Prayer

\*God's Greeting

\*Song: **"My God, How Wonderful You Are"** Red 548 vs 1, 3, 5, 6

**IN HIS GRACE**

Prayer of Confession: *Psalm 51: 1 – 6* (in unison)

Assurance of Pardon: *Isaiah 53: 4 - 6*

\*Song: **"How Deep the Father's Love For Us"**

**Karter Van Meeteren & Conner Sybesma's Professions of Faith**

\*Song: **"In Christ Alone"** Red 770

Congregational Prayer

Offerings: 1<sup>st</sup> - **Budget** 2<sup>nd</sup> – **CES (Fair Share)**

Children's Offering – **Goats for World Renew**

Children in Worship (Kids 3–6 dismissed) L 2 *"Follow Me"*

**IN HIS WORD**

Prayer for Illumination

Bible Reading: **Proverbs 5** (p 552)

Meditation: **"The Foolishness of Adultery & Wisdom of Marriage"**

Prayer of Application

**IN HIS SERVICE**

\*Song: **"When Love is Found"** Red 316 vs 1, 2, 3, 5

\*Parting Blessing

\*Doxology: **"Go Now in Peace"**

\*Postlude

\*stand if you are able

**THE LORD'S DAY'S – January 7, 2024**  
**EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE 5 P.M.**  
**Pastor Phil Westra**

**LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS TO GOD WITH PRAISE**

Prelude: Catherine Schreur

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship: *Psalm 106: 1 - 5*

Opening Prayer

\*God's Greeting

**LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS TO GOD WITH THANKSGIVING**

\*Songs: **"I Need Thee Every Hour"** Red 322 vs 1 - 4

**"My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"** Red 772

**OPEN YOUR HEARTS TO HEAR GOD'S WORD**

Prayer for Illumination

Bible Readings: **John 10: 7 – 10** (p 936)

**Revelation 5: 11 – 14** (p 1084)

Heidelberg Catechism: **Q & A's 128 – 129** (p 924)

Message: **"Praying With Confidence in God"**

Prayer of Application

\*Song of Application: **"When We Walk with the Lord"** Red 327

**PRAYERS AND OFFERINGS**

Share Prayer Requests

Congregational Prayer

Offering: **Benevolence**

**OFFER YOURSELVES TO GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART**

\*Song: **"Because He Lives"** Red 361

\*Parting Blessing

\*Doxology: **"O Splendor of God's Glory Bright"** Red 374 vs 4

\*Postlude

\*stand if you are able

**A.M. Sermon Notes – January 7, 2024**  
**“The Foolishness of Adultery & Wisdom of Marriage”**  
**Proverbs 5**

Introduction: A Man-to-Man Talk

A. The Foolishness of Adultery

1. Seduction

2. Sin and \_\_\_\_\_

B. The Wisdom of Marriage

1. Satisfaction of a \_\_\_\_\_

2. The \_\_\_\_\_ Rule

C. How God Made Us

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Intimacy

2. \_\_\_\_\_ Intimacy

**PM Sermon Notes – January 7, 2024**  
**“Praying With Confidence in God”**  
**John 10: 7 – 10; Revelation 5: 11 – 14**  
**H.C. Q & A 128 – 129**

Introduction: Beginning and Conclusion

A. Biblical Support

1. concluding praise

2. Amen

B. Where is our Confidence?

1. others

2. self

3. God