

CONGREGATIONAL NOTES and PRAYER REQUESTS

Lee Van Tol was hospitalized and had a toe amputated on Weds. Pray for his recovery, as he can't put weight on the foot for 30 days.

Starla Reitsma will be undergoing back surgery on Monday (tomorrow) in Sioux Falls.

Betty Elgersma (Pierson) passed away last Wednesday, April 15. There is opportunity to visit with her family at the Sanborn Funeral home from 10 – noon on Monday; followed by a private family burial.

Lifting Lambs to the Shepherd

Delores Vander Werff Carol Elgersma Shane Davis

Young Adult of the Week – **Josiah Visser** lives in Sheldon and works night shift at Demco in Boyden. Notes to him may be placed in Alan & Briana's church mailbox.

Ladies! Make plans to attend **Bible League's Spring Salad Luncheon** with your friends on Monday, May 4 at Trinity Reformed Church in Orange City (201 St. Paul Avenue SE). Please bring one salad for every four ladies in your group. The Luncheon begins at 11:30 AM. More details on the flyer in your mailbox today.

Bible League prayer requests - ASIA

Malaysia. Pray for the 23 participants of a *Project Philip* training from the Kenosis Drug Rehab Center, that they will become courageous and bold witnesses to seek souls for Christ.

Thailand. Pray for Phithipong, the new Bible-based Literacy (BBL) coordinator, as he strives to learn and implement the BBL program to develop his understanding and ability in conducting ministry.

Indonesia. Give thanks for the *Project Philip* Bible study conducted among the youth led by Delfi. May the Word of God strengthen their faith and enable them to become faithful witnesses for Christ.

The man caught up in this world is not ready for the next one

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

WORSHIP NOTES

Our worship services are on Church's website sanbornrc.com and YouTube link <http://youtube.com/@sanbornrc/live>

CONGREGATIONAL NOTES

Elder and Deacon Nominees: On April 26 (next Sunday morning) we will vote on elder and deacon nominees in a brief congregational meeting. Elder nominees are Gerald Alons, Dave Hofman, Bob Oldenkamp, Ben Reitsma, Josh Rydberg, Mike Visser, and Harold Willemstyn. Deacon nominees are Kyle Hofman, Ken Reitsma, Levi Schreurs, Stefan Sybesma, and Chris Van Beek. Absentee ballots are available upon request to the council. On May 3 we will cast lots at the conclusion of our morning service to select new office bearers.

Women's Bible Study – Last lesson of the season - **Lesson 7** "*Ministry and Mission*" will be led by Pastor Phil on Tuesday, April 21 at 9:30 a.m. Tammy Solsma will provide lunch.

Gifts for our newest member, **Fallon Solsma**, may be placed in the Playpen.

CES Pulled Pork Fundraiser With the warmer weather and the busier spring/summer schedules, this makes for a quick and easy meal. Each 3 lb bag is \$25. Order forms are in church mailboxes today, and should be returned to Ashley Sybesma by TODAY. Thank you for supporting our Christian Education Society.

Needed! Volunteers to help Prairie View residents w/ Bingo and serving lunch provided for them on Fridays in May (1:50 – 3 p.m). There is a sign-up sheet on the Literature table. Consider helping!

Danny and Christa Longkumer are selling **Pilgrim's coffee from Laos** - a 17.6 ounce bag for \$22. Contact Norma Geels at 712.348.0297 to order a bag.

Wednesday, April 29 at 7:00 PM -Bake-Off ~ Youth Fundraiser

May 7 at 6:30 PM -National Day of Prayer at Living Water -Sheldon.

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Job Openings for Sanborn Christian School for the 2026-2027 school year. Contact Mr. Minderhoud @ sanchr@sanbornchristian.com or @ 712-729-3288) for an application or for more detailed info.

- 1. Principal** - PreK-8th grade building principal.
- 2. 6th Grade Homeroom/Jr High Teacher** - full time; salaried
- 3. Educational Support / Resource Room** - full time; salaried
- 4. Athletic Director** - part time; stipend available

Grandfriends Day at Western Christian is Tuesday, April 21. We invite all Grandfriends of senior students to join us from 1-3pm on that day. Our special guests may arrive anytime after 12:30pm.

*If you have any questions, please contact Brad Vis brad.vis@westernchristianhs.com or by cell 605-359-5704.

Kingdom Boundaries Dinner & Silent Auction - April 23 at 6 p.m. (Doors open 4:30 p.m.) at Embrace Church – Westside Campus, 100 N. Ebenezer Ave., Sioux Falls. Get tickets (\$40) call 605.667.0229 or go to office@KingdomBoundaries.org **QR Code on poster**

The Sioux County Oratorio Chorus will perform **Handel's Messiah** on Saturday, April 25 at 7:30 pm in Christ Chapel at Northwestern Tickets for adults are \$15 in advance or \$20 at the door and are \$5 for students. Tickets through NWC Music Dept/ Windmill Park Jewelers in Orange City, the Dordt Univ. Music Dept in Sioux Center, or from any SCOC member.

These Dordt University concerts and a PDF programs will be available on livestream at <https://www.dordt.edu/live-events>

Small Ensembles Concert in Jim and Marilyn Dean Recital Hall on Friday, April 24 at 7:00pm. AND **4th Avenue Jazz concert** on Saturday, April 25 at 7:00 pm in the BJ Haan Auditorium.

"Go on a Microadventure" Big adventures don't have to be far away—exciting discoveries are waiting right outside your door! Grab your family, explore nearby paths and places, and see how much fun a little adventure can be. Go to kidscorner.net

The Cross of Jesus is the Only Way - explore the struggle the apostles faced as the Christian faith spread, and along the way. As Galatians continues, Paul continues to emphasize that the cross of Jesus is the only way to salvation and he confronts Peter's hypocritical behavior. Go to GroundworkOnline.com

Calling/Visiting Senior Members ~ April 19 - 25

(Sanborn) Lee & Starla Reitsma
(Sheldon) Bruce & Lana Van Engen

CHURCH CALENDAR

TODAY - April 19

PPoint: Amber Stange, Craig Solsma
Video: Karter Van Meeteren
Audio: Bob Oldenkamp
Doors: Rich Vander Werff
Valet Parking: Nate Schreur
Nursery: Pat & Kinley Sybesma
Greeters: Mike & Kristie Verhoef
Alan & Briana Visser
CIW: Anna VE, Darcy E, Caitlin R
Accom: AM Jamie C PM Michelle W
Offering: AM Budget, CES (Fair Share)
PM Crossroads Prison Ministry
Hospitality: Mike & Judy Visser
Dale & Julie Elgersma
Casey Baker

Next Week – April 26

Brent Koldenhoven
Jeri Prins
Aaron Alons
Ben Reitsma
Ben Reitsma
Lindsey & Brayden K
Gertie & Judy (B) Visser
Gerrit & Carol Wiekamp
Jessica S, Brandi & Maci W
AM Jamie C PM Michelle W
AM Budget, Mission Fund
PM Love, INC
Bob & Linda Oldenkamp
Chris & Nikki Van Beek
Karter Van Meeteren

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

5:00 p.m. Evening Worship

Monday 7:00 p.m. Council meeting

Tuesday 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study – Lesson 7

On Literature table: New Roots Ministry newsletter
Report from Charity Auto Repair

In Mailboxes: Bible League Salad Luncheon flyer

Sheldon Area Unity Meal is free and there are groceries to take home – Monday, April 20 from 5:30 – 6:30 pm at Living Water Community Church in Sheldon (610 2nd Avenue).

THE LORD'S DAY – April 19, 2026
MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE 9:30 A.M
Pastor Phil Westra

IN HIS PRESENCE

Prelude: Jamie Carlson
Welcome and Announcements
*Call to Worship: *Psalm 33: 20 - 22*
*Opening Prayer
*God's Greeting
*Song: **"Ten Thousand Reasons"** Red 559

IN HIS GRACE

Call to Confession: *Hebrews 10: 22 - 25*
Song of Confession: **"Just As I Am, Without One Plea"** Red 627 vs 1-3
Assurance of Pardon: *I Peter 3: 18*
*Song: **"In Our Lives, Lord, Be Glorified"** Red 861
Congregational Prayer

Offerings: 1st - **Budget** 2nd **CES (Fair Share)**
Children's Offering – **Goats for World Renew**
Children in Worship for 3 – 6 yr olds ~ Lesson 37
"Jesus is Risen – Mary Magdalene"

IN HIS WORD

Prayer for Illumination
Bible Reading: **I Peter 3: 8 – 16** (p 1067)
Message: **"Speaking of Our Hopes and Convictions"**
Prayer of Application
*Song: **"Jesus, Draw Me Ever Nearer"** Red 660

IN HIS SERVICE

*Parting Blessing
*Doxology: **"He Is Lord"** Red 227 vs 1
*Postlude

*stand if you are able

THE LORD'S DAY – April 19 2026
EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE 5:00 P.M.
Pastor Phil Westra

LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS TO GOD WITH PRAISE

*Prelude: Michelle Westra
*Welcome and Announcements
*Call to Worship: *Lamentations 3: 22 - 24*
*Opening Prayer
*God's Greeting

LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS TO GOD WITH THANKSGIVING

*Song: **"Great is Thy Faithfulness"** Red 348
*Profession of Faith: Apostle's Creed
*Song: **"O For a Closer Walk with God"** Red 324

OPEN YOUR HEARTS TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination
Bible Reading: **Psalm 42** (p 491)
Meditation: **"Desiring God"**
Prayer of Application
*Song: **"As the Deer"** Red 503 (sung twice)

PRAYERS AND OFFERINGS

Sharing Prayer Requests
Prayer of Intercession
Offering: **Crossroads Prison Ministry**

OFFER YOURSELVES TO GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART

*Parting Blessing
*Doxology: **"God Be with You Till We Meet Again"** Red 944 vs 1
*Postlude

*Indicates stand if you are able

Sermon Notes for April 19, 2026 AM Service
"Speaking of Our Hopes and Convictions"
I Peter 3: 8 - 16

Introduction: Life that Requires Explanation

A. Justice and Injustice

1. definitions:

2. scenarios:

B. God's _____

C. Giving our _____

1. What we say...

2. How we say it...

Sermon Notes for April 19, 2026 PM Service
"Desiring God"
Psalm 42

Introduction: Our Laments

"Our _____ are _____ until they find _____ in thee"

--St. Augustine

"God is most _____ in us when we are most _____ in Him." --John Piper

A. Fond Memories and Present Pain

B. The Experience of Unrequited Love

C. Talking to our Souls