

## **CONGREGATIONAL NOTES and PRAYER REQUESTS**

We are thankful for **Starla Reitsma's** successful surgery this week and pray she experiences a steady full recovery.

**Lee Van Tol** is recovering in the Sheldon hospital and happy to have visitors.

### **Lifting Lambs to the Shepherd**

John C & Ruth Vander Haag                      Josh Bosma  
Josh & Shannon Rydberg ~ Chloe Caitlin

**Young Adult of the Week** – **Levi Westra** is majoring in Secondary Education at Dordt University. Notes to him may be placed in Phil & Michelle's mailbox.

**Thank you** to Starla Reitsma, Jamie & Abigail Carlson, & Judi Willemstyn for serving meals in March to kids of parents at Thursday classes **AND** Shane Davis and Cyle & Braxton Carlson for your excellent help with furniture delivery and set up. Your expertise was greatly appreciated by the families served.     **Love INC staff**

**Thank you** for your gift to GEMS Girls Clubs. We are grateful for the ways you choose to invest in girls through this ministry. GEMS exists to help girls know Jesus, grow in faith, and live out Micah 6:8 in everyday life. Your church's partnership makes that possible—one girl at a time. We depend on your donations to sustain this ministry.

**Jill Postma, GEMS Director of Finance**

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.

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

**Jesus Christ is not a crutch;  
He is the ground to walk on**

**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](http://sanbornrc.com) and YouTube link <http://youtube.com/@sanbornrc/live>

**Elder and Deacon Nominees** - we will hold a brief congregational meeting after our morning service to vote on elder and deacon nominees. Nominees for Elder are Gerald Alons, Dave Hofman, Bob Oldenkamp, Ben Reitsma, Josh Rydberg, Mike Visser, and Harold Willemstyn. Nominees for Deacon are Kyle Hofman, Ken Reitsma, Levi Schreurs, Stefan Sybesma, and Chris Van Beek.

Next Sunday, May 3, we will cast lots at the end of our morning service to choose two elders and two deacons to serve the next three years.

**Mr. Dan Tracy** will lead us in both worship services next Sunday, May 3.

Our Church is in charge of Prairie View Worship at 2 PM next Sunday.

## **CONGREGATIONAL NOTES**

**Wednesday, April 29 at 7:00 PM** - Bake-Off ~ Youth Fundraiser. Come for a fun evening! More information on flyer in your mailbox.

**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!

**CES** needs volunteers to help sort and bag T-shirts for Vander Haag's employees & families on Wed., April 29 at 9:30 a.m., at the museum. If you're available or have questions, please contact a CES board member.

**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; featured speakers will represent the Legacy Thrift and Hands Around The World ministries. Updates from BLI will be given, and a freewill donation will be received. Join us for this FUN event!

Thursday, **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](mailto: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

**Needed at WCHS:** Custodial Staff - Kitchen Staff Member (Hourly)  
-Play Director (fall performances) -SPED Certified Academic Support Coach (2 days/week)

Please help us spread the word about these open positions! Any leads or inquiries can be directed to our Head Administrator, Dr. Brian Verwolf, at [Brian.Verwolf@westernchristianhs.com](mailto:Brian.Verwolf@westernchristianhs.com)

**Dordt Instrumental Ensembles Spring Concert** – Thursday, April 30, 7:00 pm. Chamber Orchestra, Campus-Community Band and Wind Symphony. **Dordt Choral Ensembles Spring Concert** at 7:00 pm on Saturday May 2 Bella Voce (women's chorus), Canons of Dordt (men's chorus), Chorale, and Concert Choir. Both concerts are in the BJ Haan Auditorium and a PDF programs will also be available on livestream at <https://www.dordt.edu/live-events>.

## **Bible League prayer requests for Latin America**

**Venezuela.** Pray for Brother Marcos from the stilt-house communities. He has been accused and is now detained in prison without any fault.

**Latin American Island Nation.** The food and health situation has not improved (transportation has been reduce). Pray for our brothers and sisters and that God strengthens them in these specific situations.

**Chile.** Pray for Pastor Arturo working w/ graduation of young children who've completed their children's discipleship using the coloring books.

**Seeking Volunteers** (retired w/ computer skills) for Senior Health Insurance Info Program (SHIIP) for O'Brien County. New Volunteer training begins in mid-May and is done online via Zoom. Please phone Carol Brinkert at 712-348-0907 if you would like further details.

**"How Do We Care for God's World?"** Discover how amazing God's world is and why it matters how we treat it. Learn simple ways you can enjoy the outdoors, care for nature, and help keep our world clean and beautiful! [kidscorner.net](http://kidscorner.net)

## **Calling/Visiting Senior Members ~ April 26 – May 2**

(Sanborn) Mike & Kristie Verhoef  
(Sheldon) Esther De Boer

## **CHURCH CALENDAR**

### **TODAY - April 26**

PPoint: Brent Koldenhoven  
Video: Jeri Prins  
Audio: Aaron Alons  
Doors: Ben Reitsma  
Valet Parking: Ben Reitsma  
Nursery: Lindsey & Brayden K  
Greeters: Gertie & Judy (B) Visser  
Gerrit & Carol Wiekamp  
CIW: Jessica S, Brandi & Maci W  
Accom: AM Jamie C PM Michelle W  
Offering: AM Budget, Mission Fund  
PM Love, INC  
Hospitality: Bob & Linda Oldenkamp  
Chris & Nikki Van Beek  
Karter Van Meeteren

### **Next Week – May 3**

Tonya Wiekamp  
Aidan Carlson  
Stefan Sybesma  
Brian Koldenhoven  
Brian Koldenhoven  
Renee & John Alons  
Kevin & Tonya Wiekamp  
Harold & Judi Willemstyn  
Jessica S, Priya S, Abigail C  
AM Jamie C PM Ava R  
AM Budget, CES (Fair Share)  
PM Benevolence  
Tyler & Anna Van Ess  
Travis & Anna Solsma  
Larry & Kyle Hofman

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

**5:00 p.m.** Evening Worship

Wednesday 7:00 p.m. Youth Group Bake Off Fundraiser

**On Literature table:** Love, Inc report  
MERF newsletter

**In Mailboxes:** CRCNA May Prayer Guide  
May/June Birthday/Anniversary calendar  
Youth Group Fundraiser information

**Understanding the Purpose of God's Law** - Paul explores the contrasting paths of legalism and freedom in faith. Paul teaches how to embrace our identity as God's children, and to find our unity as believers in Christ. Listen now at [GroundworkOnline.com](http://GroundworkOnline.com)

**THE LORD'S DAY – April 26, 2026**  
**MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE 9:30 A.M**  
**Pastor Phil Westra**

**IN HIS PRESENCE**

Prelude: Jamie Carlson  
Welcome and Announcements  
\*Call to Worship: *Psalm 27: 1, 4*  
\*Opening Prayer  
\*God's Greeting and Mutual Greeting  
\*Song: **"I Love to Tell the Story"** Red 262

**IN HIS GRACE**

Call to Confession: *Psalm 32: 1 - 5*  
Prayer of Confession  
Assurance of Pardon: *Ephesians 2: 4 - 9*  
\*Song: **"My God, How Wonderful You Are"** Red 548 vs 1, 3, 5, 6  
God's Will: **Isaiah 43: 8 - 13**  
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 for 3 – 6 yr olds ~ Lesson 29  
*"God's Gift of the Holy Spirit"*

**IN HIS WORD**

\*Song: **"Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak"** Red 754 vs 1, 2, 5  
Bible Reading: **Romans 10: 11 - 17** (p 988)  
Message: **"Bringing Good News"**  
Prayer of Application  
\*Song: **"By Grace We Have Been Saved"** Red 675

**IN HIS SERVICE**

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

\*stand if you are able

**THE LORD'S DAY – April 26, 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: *Psalm 22: 25 -- 27*  
\*Opening Prayer  
\*God's Greeting

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

\*Song: **"Amid the Thronging Worshipers"** Red 511  
\*Affirmation: **"Come, Lord Jesus"** Red 484  
\*Song: **"Hark! A Thrilling Voice is Sounding"** Red 478 vs 1, 3 - 5

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

Prayer for Illumination  
Bible Reading: **Psalm 49** (p 495)  
Meditation: **"Wisdom for Life and Death"**  
Prayer of Application  
\*Song: **"Be Thou My Vision"** Red 859

**PRAYERS AND OFFERINGS**

Sharing Prayer Requests  
Prayer of Intercession  
Offering: **Love, INC**

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

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

\*Indicates stand if you are able

**Sermon Notes for April 26, 2026 AM Service**  
**"Bringing Good News"**  
**Romans 10:11–17**

Introduction: Series Review

A. Practical Matters and Definitions

1. Evangelism and Pre-Evangelism
2. Evangelism and Missions

B. Questions for Personal Evangelism

1. What is the Gospel (good news)?
2. How has Jesus Christ changed your life?
3. What would your life be without Jesus Christ?

**Sermon Notes for April 26, 2026 PM Service**  
**"Wisdom for Life and Death"**  
**Psalm 49**

Introduction: "But God..."

A. What do we Trust?

B. What do we Have in Common?

C. Do we have Hope Beyond Death?