

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER REQUESTS

We express our sympathy to **John & Amy Vander Haag & family**, at the stillborn death of their grandson **Holton John, son of Reink & Erin**. We pray for God's comfort and strength through their time of grieving.

Lifting Lambs to the Shepherd

Nate & Catherine Schreur ~ Aleah, Nathan
Lee & Susie Van Tol
Ben & Adrienne Reitsma ~ Drew

Young Adult of the Week ~ Trevor Wiekamp is living and working in Scottsdale, AZ. His address is in the "Extended Church family" section in the church directory.

Pray for **Volunteers** as well as the **Guests who come by the Evangelism Booth** at the Clay County Fair. We pray there is meaningful dialogue and lives change through the interactions there.

BIBLE LEAGUE SUPPORTERS: You're invited to the *BEYOND YESTERDAY* conference, hosted by Bible League Volunteers on September 8-9 at Bethel CRC in Sioux Center. ASAP - visit bibleleague.org/tickets

The **Power of Prayer** is the focus of the upcoming Dunamis Conference in Milford, IA, October 2-5. Participants will learn how any Christian can pray with vision and power. Sessions will encourage and equip people to grow in intimacy with Jesus Christ through prayer and to participate with God in shaping the future through intercessory prayer. Participants will have opportunities to practice what they learn. To learn more and register, visit www.primi.org/dpmilford

**God does not comfort us to
make us comfortable . . .
but to make us comforters**

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 sanborncrc.com and the YouTube link <http://youtube.com/@sanborncrc/live>

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

Our church is in charge of the Prairie View Worship at **2 PM today**.

Sing! Book and Next Sermon Series: If you have not done so already, pick up and take home a copy of *Sing!* by the Gettys. Next Sunday morning Pastor Westra's message will be connected to chapter 1 in the book, "Created to Sing."

CONGREGATIONAL NOTES

Evangelism Booth – Spencer Fair – Volunteers needed:

Sign-up sheets are on the table by GEMS Cards – do so today!

Congregational meeting on Sunday, September 14: The council is calling all members to participate in a congregational meeting after the morning service two Sundays from now, Sept. 14th. Please see the note in your church mailbox for more information.

PowerPoint committee. We're looking for individuals or groups who would be willing to be on the PowerPoint rotation or interested in being a substitute. Your participation would be greatly appreciated in helping us ensure smooth and consistent presentations. We'd be happy to provide more details about the roles and responsibilities. Contact Brent Koldenhoven or other power point team members.

New Members Class on September 10: Pastor Westra has scheduled a meeting for anyone to attend interested in becoming a member of Sanborn CRC. We will gather at church on September 10 at 7 p.m.

There are **Gifts from the Garden** on a table in the Fellowship Hall. *Give and receive with a grateful heart!* (If your produce is not claimed on Sunday, please remember to remove it from the table.)

Additional Announcements

The new school year has started and **CES** is kicking-off their **fundraising** for the year! Along with the ongoing sales of popcorn, trash/shred bags, and pulled pork; it is time for our annual **Sub Sandwich fundraiser** - taking orders for subs until September 14; subs will be assembled on **Tuesday, September 23**. An order form can be found on the Lit. table, or talk to a CES parent to place your order.

Sanborn Christian is looking for the following positions to be filled for the 2025 -26 school year:

Athletic Director - part-time; stipend available; responsibilities include (but not limited to): scheduling all athletic events and practices; finding officials for athletic events; finding coaches and those willing to operate the score clock when needed; maintaining athletic uniforms; and being in regular communication with the school office to ensure that calendar dates sync. Mr. Minderhoud would work alongside (train) for the 25.26 school year with the intention of handing the position off fully in 26.27.

Bus Drivers: Sanborn Christian is looking for Bus Drivers for the future beyond 25.26. Contact Cody Stange if you're interested.

Dordt University Instrumental Ensembles Pops Concert -Friday, September 12 at 7pm in the BJ Haan Auditorium! The Mass Band and Chamber Orchestra will feature music of FANTASY MOVIES! Come enjoy music from all of your favorite movies like Harry Potter, and many others! Feel free to dress in costume for this concert and come as your favorite character from your favorite fantasy movie!

Her Health Women's Center (formerly S. City Alpha Center) will hold a fundraising event (Diaper Dash) on Saturday, Sept. 20 at 9:30 a.m. in Le Mars **and** South Sioux City. To register and for more information, scan the QR code on the 5 x 7 card on bulletin board.

Sioux City Gospel Mission fundraiser - Jill Miller and friends will be performing a special benefit concert to support the work of our ministry. This will be a great afternoon of uplifting music, fellowship and an opportunity to make a difference in the lives of those we serve. Come celebrate with us on **Sept. 28th at 3:00pm.**

Praying for Someone Else - Prayer is a special way to show love to others. When you pray for someone, you're helping them and growing closer to God at the same time! **kidscorner.net**

Jesus' Kingdom Parables - Jesus used to teach His followers about the kingdom of God. learn from Jesus what God's kingdom looks like, what its values are, and how the people of His kingdom behave. Listen now at **GroundworkOnline.com**

Calling/Visiting Senior Members ~ Aug. 31 – Sept. 6

(Sanborn)	Nate & Catherine Schreur
(Sheldon)	Seth & Shelby Irmiter

CHURCH CALENDAR

TODAY - August 31

PPoint: Brent Koldenhoven
Video: Levi Westra
Audio: Ben Reitsma
Doors: Lee Reitsma
Valet Parking: Kevin Hofman
Nursery: Pat & Kinley Sybesma
Greeters: Rich & Joy Vander Werff
Travis & Anna Solsma
Accomp: AM & PM Starla Reitsma
Offering: AM Budget, Missions
PM Midwest Evangelism
Fair Booth
Hospitality: John & Jessica Schreurs
Levi & Priya Schreurs
Scott Horstman

Next Week – September 7

Amber Stange, Craig Solsma
Karter Van Meeteren
Bob Oldenkamp
Keven Van Meeteren
Chet Vander Velde
Amber & Melody Stange
Jon & Pat Sybesma
Stefan & Ashley Sybesma
AM Jamie C PM Michelle W
AM Budget, CES (Fair Share)
PM Benevolence
Lee & Starla Reitsma
Shane & Nikki Sybesma
Esther De Boer

2:00 p.m. Prairie View Worship service

5:00 p.m. Evening Worship

Tuesday 7:00 p.m. Elders meeting

Wednesday 7:00 p.m. Music & Worship Committee Meeting

Church Mailbox: Sept. CRCNA Prayer Guide
Newsletter from Longkumer's
Congregational Meeting Information for Sept. 14

NEW on Literature Table: MERF Newsletter

THE LORD'S DAY – August 31, 2025
MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE 9:30 A.M.
Pastor Phil Westra

IN HIS PRESENCE

Prelude: *"Gratitude – Great Is Thy Faithfulness"*
Starla Reitsma, Catherine Schreur
Welcome and Announcements
*Call to Worship: Revelation 1:17–18
*Opening Prayer
*Song: ***"Behold Our God"***
*God's Greeting
*Song: ***"My God, How Wonderful You Are"*** Red 548 vs. 1, 3, 4, 5

IN HIS GRACE

Prayer of Confession
Assurance of Pardon: Luke 1:76–79
Song of Confession: ***"His Mercy is More"***

IN HIS WORD

Prayer for Illumination
Bible Reading: **I Thessalonians 5: 12–24** (p 1036)
Message: **"Tending the Fire of the Holy Spirit"**
Prayer of Application
*Song of Application: ***"Gracious Spirit, Heed our Pleading"***
Red 320 vs. 1, 2, 3, 5

IN HIS SERVICE

Congregational Prayer
Offertory: *"Holy Forever"*
Offerings: 1st - **Budget** 2nd – **Missions**
Children's Offering – **Goats for World Renew**

*Parting Blessing
*Doxology: ***"My Friends, May You Grow in Grace"*** Red 938
*Postlude

*stand if you are able

THE LORD'S DAY –August 31, 2025
EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE 5:00 P.M.
Pastor Phil Westra

LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS TO GOD WITH PRAISE

Prelude: Starla Reitsma
Welcome and Announcements
*Call to Worship: Psalm 22:22–28
*God's Greeting

LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS TO GOD WITH THANKSGIVING

*Song: ***"Amid the Thronging Worshipers"*** Red 511
*Profession of Faith: Apostle's Creed
*Song: ***"Before the Throne of God Above"*** Red 682

OPEN YOUR HEARTS TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination
Bible Reading: Luke 18:9–14 (p 915)
Meditation: **"The Religious and the Repentant"**
Prayer of Application
*Song of Application: ***"God, Be Merciful to Me"*** Red 623 vs. 1–3

PRAYERS AND OFFERINGS

Testimonies from Serving at the Fair
Prayer of Intercession
Offering: **Midwest Evangelism (Clay County Fair Booth)**

OFFER YOURSELVES TO GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART

*Parting Blessing
*Doxology: ***"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"*** Red 965
*Postlude

*stand if you are able

Sermon Notes for August 31, 2025 AM Service
"Tending the Fire of the Holy Spirit"
I Thessalonians 5:12–24

Introduction: Pentecostal and Charismatic Movements

A. Correctives to our Heritage

B. Cautions about the Charisma

C. Moving from Either/Or to Both/And

Sermon Notes for August 31, 2025 PM Service
"The Religious and the Repentant"
Luke 18:9–14

Introduction: Misunderstanding of the Masses

A. Important Question:

B. Important Attitude:

C. Important Applications:

1. Daily Lives

2. Serving at the Fair