

## **LIFTING LAMBS TO THE SHEPHERD**

Larry & Kathy Hofman  
Nate & Catherine Schreur ~ Aleah, Nathan  
Mike & Kristie Verhoef

**Young Adult of the Week ~ Karter Van Meeteren** works as a Power Lineman for the City of Sanborn. His address is in our church directory.

We wish to **thank our church family** for all your prayers, thoughts, and cards while Lee was dealing with pneumonia. He is doing much better. Thanks be to God for His special care for us. **Lee & Susie**

**Love INC's** 'Life Together program' is looking for volunteers to hang out with children ages 0-12 while their parents take life skills classes. Could you serve for approximately 1 1/2 hours, one time a month? The time is 6:20-7:40 on Thursday evenings. Serve based on your availability! All childcare volunteers are subject to a background check. Contact Love INC for more information—712-324-9707.

Bargain Alley Thrift Store and Furniture Outlet would like to welcome more volunteers. If interested in helping at either location, please contact Kari Hoekstra at [bargainalleyhull@gmail.com](mailto:bargainalleyhull@gmail.com)

**God Created Me** - God deliberately designed us - we fit together in God's story like pieces in a giant puzzle. Being part of a huge family means we will always have someone we can help or someone who can teach us. Check out all the great content at [kidscorner.net](http://kidscorner.net)

**Jesus Prays for Us** - In his High Priestly Prayer, Jesus prayed for us to experience unity and the Father's love, and for the world to know God through our lives. Witness the depth of Jesus Christ's love for us and discuss what it means to live in the reality of Jesus' prayer. Listen now at [GroundworkOnline.com](http://GroundworkOnline.com)

**Make sure the thing you are living for  
is worth dying for**

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

## **CONGREGATIONAL NOTES**

**Book Discussion:** Pastor Westra plans to hold our next book discussion group near the end of February on the short book, "*On the Christian Life*", written by John Calvin. If you wish to participate please sign up on the form in the fellowship hall and take a copy of the book.

**Sunday Evening Bible Study** will meet tonight at 6:15 p.m.

**Dave Hofman** will lead Lesson 5 and **Rhonda Nelson** will provide lunch. Anyone is welcome to join us!

**Women's Bible Fellowship** meets this Tuesday, February 4 at 9:30am. Study Lesson 3. Carol Wiekamp will provide lunch.

Plans are being made and squares are cut and ready for you in the west entry of the church. Choose your sizes and your colors and create a gift of warmth this cold winter! Making quilts goes very well with a warm comfy sweater and hot chocolate!! Check your mailboxes for suggested quilt top sizes. (a couple inches larger/smaller is okay) Our **dates for the quilting** will be **March 4 and 5.**

**Save the date!** The Cadet Campout will be Friday-Saturday, June 6-7. It will be at the Martin Access south of Dog Creek. We spend the bulk of the time at the camp site, then go swimming and fishing in the afternoon at Dog Creek. (Boys currently in 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade may come). ALSO – we would appreciate a few 'Dad' volunteers from both churches to join us!!

**Sanborn Christian** is looking for the following positions contact Mr. Minderhoud @ [sanchr@sanbornchristian.com](mailto:sanchr@sanbornchristian.com) or call the office at 712-729-3288 with questions, for more information or an application.

~ Soccer Coach - part-time; stipend available; essentially April 2025 through May 2025; working with our 6th-8th grade boys and girls.

~ Junior High Science / Math teacher - full time for the 2025 - 2026 school year; salaried position

~ Athletic Director - part-time; stipend available; responsibilities include (but not limited to): scheduling all athletic events and practices; (con't)

finding officials for athletic events; finding coaches. Mr. Minderhoud would work alongside (train) for the 25.26 school year with the intention of handing the position off fully in 26.27.

Also - Substitute Bus Drivers

### **Additional Announcements**

The **Dordt University Concert Choir** invites you to an enchanting evening of Broadway tunes and sweet treats (while you listen) on **Saturday, Feb. 15 at 7:00 pm** in the Campus Center on Dordt's campus. Tickets are \$12 for adults, \$5 for students. Kids 5 and under are free, and childcare is available on-site. Tickets must be purchased by Tuesday Feb. 11 from the Music Department Office (712-722-6222), [debra.alons@dordt.edu](mailto:debra.alons@dordt.edu)) or from a Concert Choir student. Proceeds benefit the Concert Choir tour in March 2025 to Michigan and Ontario.

The 4th-6th Grade Winter Retreat ~ Experience **Inspiration Hills'** unique winter activities! The event will include a chapel message, worship, and Bible studies along with all the fun winter games! **Friday, Feb. 14 at 7pm** thru **Sunday, Feb. 16 – 11 am**. To register or learn more about this event, go to [inspirationhills.org/4-6-retreat](http://inspirationhills.org/4-6-retreat)

### **REGISTER FOR A HIGH SCHOOL EXPERIENCE OF A LIFE**

**TIME!** Tri-State Teens Encounter Christ (TEC) will be at the New Life Church in Sioux Center, Iowa. TEC is an interdenominational three-day Christian retreat designed to help high schoolers learn more about their faith and their community. TEC is February 14-16, 2025. To learn more or to register, please visit [www.TriStateTEC.org](http://www.TriStateTEC.org) or email [TriStateTEC@gmail.com](mailto:TriStateTEC@gmail.com). The cost is \$50 and includes a t-shirt & other special gifts. Scholarships are available upon request.

**Women's Conference** with speaker Sarah Ivill, will be held at the Cornerstone URC on February 28 (2 evening sessions) and March 1 (2 morning sessions). Attendees will receive Sarah's book "The Covenantal Life". Sessions will cover mentoring and the importance of doctrine, based on the verse Titus 2:1, 3-5. Grain House coffee and snacks provided. Please use the QR code on the flyer or go to Cornerstone URC website to sign up at [www.cornerstone-urc.org/](http://www.cornerstone-urc.org/)

**Inspiration Hills** – registrations for all camps open on **February 1**  
**Register online at [inspirationhills.org](http://inspirationhills.org)**

Posters on Mailbox Rack w/ information about summer jobs available as well as QR Code for Camp registrations

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

Jack & Carol Elgersma    John & Laura Elgersma  
Jeromy & Paige DeKok

### **Calling/Visiting Senior Members ~ February 2 - 8**

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

### **CHURCH CALENDAR**

#### **TODAY -February 2**

PPoint: Brent Koldenhoven  
Video: Jeri Prins  
Audio: Bob Oldenkamp  
Doors: Keven Van Meeteren  
Valet Parking: Alan Visser  
CIW: Jessica S, Adrienne & Shae R  
Nursery: Shannon & Caitlin Rydberg  
Greeters: Cody & Amber Stange  
          Larry & Shyla Stanley  
Accom: AM Jamie C    PM Joy VW  
Offering: AM Budget, CES (Fair Share)  
          PM Benevolence  
Hospitality: Tyler & Anna Van Ess  
          Larry & Alvina Reitsma  
          Alan & Briana Visser

#### **Next Week – February 9**

Tonya Wiekamp  
Aidan Carlson  
Stefan Sybesma  
Gerrit Wiekamp  
Kevin Wiekamp  
Linda O, Lindsey K, Kinley S  
Ann Hofman, Chloe Rydberg  
Jon & Pat Sybesma  
Travis & Anna Solsma  
AM Jamie C    PM Michelle W  
AM Budget, Bldg. Proj. Fund  
PM Mission Fund  
Bob & Linda Oldenkamp  
Marlin & Linda Vander Velde  
Shane Davis

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

**5:00 p.m.**  
6:15 p.m.

**Evening Worship**  
Sunday Evening Bible Study

Monday    7:00 p.m.  
Tuesday    9:30 a.m.  
Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

Elders Meeting  
Ladies Bible Fellowship – Lesson 3  
Cadets at URC

**Church Mailbox:** CRCNA February Prayer Guide  
WCHS – Stewardship info

**NEW on Literature Table:** MERF Newsletter  
Hilltop Newsletter (Inspiration Hills)  
Love, INC quarterly report

**THE LORD'S DAY – February 2, 2025**  
**MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE 9:30 A.M.**  
Pastor Phil Westra

**IN HIS PRESENCE**

Prelude: Jamie Carlson

Welcome and Announcements

\*Call to Worship: *Romans 8: 28*

\*Opening Prayer

\*Song: "***Praise the Lord, Sing Hallelujah***" Red 6

\*God's Greeting

\*Song: "***I Love Your Church, O Lord***" Red 247

**IN HIS GRACE**

Call to Repentance: *Hebrews 4: 12 - 13*

Prayer of Confession: Red 640 in Unison

Assurance of Pardon: *Colossians 1: 12 - 14*

\*Song: "***Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me***"

God's Will: *Ephesians 4: 1 - 7*

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 25

*"The Parable of the Mustard Seed"*

**IN HIS WORD**

Prayer for Illumination

Bible Reading: **Genesis 1: 26 – 28; 2: 15** (p 2)

Meditation: "**The Doctrine of Vocation**"

Prayer of Application

**IN HIS SERVICE**

\*Song: "***We Sing the Mighty Power of God***" Red 10

\*Parting Blessing

\*Doxology: "***Shout, for the Blessed Jesus Reigns***" Red 261 vs 5

\*Postlude

\*stand if you are able

**THE LORD'S DAY –February 2, 2025**  
**EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE 5:00 P.M.**  
Pastor Phil Westra

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

Prelude: Joy Vander Werff

Welcome and Announcements

\*Call to Worship: *Psalms 80: 1 - 3*

\*Opening Prayer

\*God's Greeting

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

\*Song: "***We Praise You, O God***" Red 560

\*Song: "***Across the Lands***" Red 775

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

Prayer for Illumination

Bible Reading: **Jeremiah 3: 6 - 15** (p 656)

Meditation: "**Return to Your God**"

Prayer of Application

\*Song: "**Father, Long Before Creation**" Red 687

**PRAYERS AND OFFERINGS**

Share Prayer Requests

Prayer of Intercession

Offering: **Benevolence**

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

\*Parting Blessing

\*Doxology: "***God of Mercy, God of Grace***" Red 934 vs 1

\*Postlude

\*stand if you are able

**Sermon Notes for February 2, 2025 AM Service**  
**"The Doctrine of Vocation"**  
**Genesis 1:26–28, 2:15**

**Introduction: Outsourcing**

**A. The Concept of Vocations**

**What God Could Do**

**What God Chooses to Do**

**B. The Meaning and Purpose of Vocations**

**C. Morality and Knowledge through Vocations**

**Sermon Notes for February 2, 2025 PM Service**  
**"Return to Your God"**  
**Jeremiah 3:6–15**

**Introduction: The Covenant of Marriage**

**A. The Trap of Comparisons**

**B. Unfaithfulness in light of Deuteronomy 24:1–4**

**C. Amazing Grace**