

## **LIFTING LAMBS TO THE SHEPHERD**

Brian & Cindy Koldenhoven    Reuben Vander Haag  
Nate & Catherine Schreur ~ Chyann, Aleah, Nathan

**Young Adult of the Week ~ Abbie Altena** graduated from Oral Roberts University on May 4, will be moving to Kansas City for a year, where she is enrolled in a Master's Program for Medical Biology, and thereafter, she has plans to go on to medical school.

**Hazel Kuiper** will celebrate **103 years** of life this week Friday, May 17. Cards placed in her mailbox by **Thursday noon** will be delivered to her.

**Dear Church Family at Sanborn CRC:** Greg and I want let you know how much we have been blessed by all your prayers for Kay's recovery from back surgery. Thank you for the prayers, cards, phone calls, and texts, all were an encouragement. We praise our God, the Great Healer, for his provision so far and we pray for complete healing. We love you and thank you. **Kay and Pastor Greg**

### **Bible League prayer requests for Armenia**

~ Brother Hovhannes has worked tirelessly with Bible League in the ministry field. He and his wife, Nvard, both have severe health issues. Pray that the Lord will be near to them and heal them.

~ We rejoice that our church planters, Philips, volunteers, and their families are actively serving the Lord. Many face different challenges caused by the danger of war and the tension in the border regions. Please pray that the Lord will give them wisdom and provide all their needs, strength, power, and solutions.

**God wants us to be victors,  
not victims; to soar, not to sink;  
to overcome,  
not to be overwhelmed**

**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>

**Mr. Dan Tracy** will lead both Worship Services today, as **Pastor Phil** is fulfilling a Classical Appointment at the Orange City First CRC.

**Today is Mother's Day** - We thank our Heavenly Father for our mothers and their influence in all of our lives.

**Next Sunday, May 19**, will be a Celebration of our Graduates and the conclusion of another Church Education season. A flyer with details about the Brunch and celebration is in your church mailbox.

### **CONGREGATIONAL NOTES**

**From the Council:** We have five nominees to serve as Elders (Larry Hofman, Gerrit Wiekamp, Shane Sybesma, Bob Oldenkamp, and Brian Koldenhoven) and five nominees to serve as Deacons (Brent Koldenhoven, Alan Visser, Stefan Sybesma, Gerald Dragstra, and Aaron Alons). Since three Elders and two Deacons are concluding their term, we will only need to vote on the deacon list before casting lots. We plan to vote right after the morning service on June 2 and do the casting of lots at the conclusion of the morning service on June 9.

**From the Elders:** Due to some scheduling conflicts, we are changing the Sunday we will celebrate the Lord's Supper next to June 2. Family visiting is scheduled for June 5.

**VBS (Jerusalem Marketplace – The Parables)** JUNE 2-6 (Sunday-Thursdays), Kickoff family dinner on Sunday evening from 6:30- 7:30pm, Mon-Thurs, 6:00-8:00pm. Supper served Mon- Thurs at 5:30pm. (For kids who've FINISHED Preschool - those who've FINISHED 6th grade!

**On Table next to GEMS Cards:** Registration Forms, Several lists of Volunteer positions and Food donations (do so by Sunday, May 19). \*You may also go to First Reformed's website([www.sanbornrc.org](http://www.sanbornrc.org)) or their Facebook page to register your child and/or volunteer to help!

**WCHS's** Graduation ceremony is Tuesday, May 14 at 7 pm. Claire Altena, Laremy Schreurs, and Kaleb Visser will be graduating.

**Cadet Campout - May 31 – June 1 at Lake Pahoja.** Several boys from our church attend Cadets at the URC, so they appreciate donations towards food to be used. These lists are on the Lit. Table – items will be picked up on Wednesday, May 29 – bring your items to Church kitchen. \***Cadets** leave URC at 2 pm on Friday, arriving back on Sat. at 4:15 pm

### **Additional Announcements**

The Bargain Alley Thrift Store and Furniture Outlet are seeking **more volunteers**. Please contact Kari Hoekstra at [bargainalleyhull@gmail.com](mailto:bargainalleyhull@gmail.com) or call the store 712-439 6800 if you are interested.

**April Tornadoes Cross the Midwest** - World Renew (DRS) is coordinating with other organizations to respond to damage caused by 88 confirmed tornadoes from Texas to Iowa on April 26-30, 2024, and tornadoes that struck the Portage, MI, area on May 7. DRS will initially offer volunteer clean-up services including removing debris and tarping roofs to survivors while plans are made for long-term recovery. Please help families who have lost homes and loved ones in these storms. Donate at [worldrenew.net/springstorms2024](http://worldrenew.net/springstorms2024), call 1-800-552-7972, or send your check made out to World Renew DRS, with "DRS Spring Storms 2024" in the memo line to: World Renew, 8970 Byron Commerce Dr. SW, Byron Center, MI 49315.

**What are your family-favorite, budget-friendly recipes?** As a gift for people attending classes through the Life Together ministry, we are putting together a recipe book. If you have a recipe to share, please email it to [jenna@sheldon-loveinc.org](mailto:jenna@sheldon-loveinc.org) or drop off a paper copy at our office! Also let us know if you want your name and/or church listed with your recipe. Goal: collect at least 50 recipes by Saturday, May 18!

**A Mom's Love:** Maybe it's your grandmother, a female family member, or perhaps a teacher. Know that her love for you reflects God's love for you: always watching and caring for you while you find your place in this world. Go to [kidscorner.net](http://kidscorner.net)

**Spiritual Apathy and Justice in Malachi** - witness how out-of-sync life can get when we go through the motions of faith without investing our hearts and learn from Malachi's warnings against spiritual apathy and his encouragement to examine our hearts. **GroundworkOnline.com**

### **Calling/Visiting Senior Members ~ May 12 - 18**

(Sanborn) Jerry & Carol Buteyn  
(Sheldon) Erin & Jenny Campbell

### **CHURCH CALENDAR**

#### **TODAY - May 12**

PPoint: Alan Visser family  
Video: Levi Westra  
Audio: Bob Oldenkamp  
Doors: Keven Van Meeteren  
Nursery: Linda O, Braxton Carlson  
Greeters: Dale & Julie Elgersma  
Jack & Carol Elgersma  
Accom: AM & PM Jamie Carlson  
Offering: AM Budget, Bldg. Proj. Fund  
PM Northern Lighthouse  
Hospitality: Andy & Brandi Wright  
Larry & Shyla Stanley  
John & Laura Elgersma

#### **Next Week –May 19**

Amber Stange, Craig Solsma  
Karter Van Meeteren  
Ben Reitsma  
Gerrit Wiekamp  
Adrienne & Drew Reitsma  
John & Laura Elgersma  
Jesse & Tasha Graves  
AM Starla R PM Joy VW  
AM Budget, CES(Fair Share)  
PM ATLAS of Osceola Co.  
No Hospitality - Brunch  
at 11:15 a.m.

### **5:00 p.m. Worship Service**

Monday 7:00 p.m. Deacons Meeting  
Tuesday 7:00 p.m. WCHS Graduation Ceremony

**In Church Mailboxes:** Christian Ed/Graduate Sunday Brunch info  
*Pentecost* (May 19) flyer  
Our 2024 Graduates

**On Literature Table:** Cadet Campout donation sign-up  
Cherish House newsletter

**Table by GEMS Cards:** VBS sign-up sheets (Kids' registration,  
Volunteers, and Food)

**Bulletin deadline this week – Thursday at 9 AM**

**THE LORD'S DAY – May 12, 2024**  
**MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE 9:30 A.M.**  
Guest Pastor: Mr. Dan Tracy

**IN HIS PRESENCE**

Prelude: Jamie Carlson  
Welcome and Announcements  
\*Call to Worship  
\*Opening Prayer  
\*God's Greeting  
\*Song: "***Amid the Thronging Worshipers***" Red 511

**IN HIS GRACE**

Call to Repentance  
Prayer of Confession  
Assurance of Pardon  
Responsive Reading of the Law (p 1013 gray)  
\*Song: "***Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty***" Red 538

Congregational Prayer

Offerings: 1<sup>st</sup> - **Budget** 2<sup>nd</sup> – **Building Projects Fund**  
Children's Offering – **Goats for World Renew**  
Children in Worship – will resume in September

**IN HIS WORD**

\*Song: "***Spirit of the Living God***" Red 749  
Bible Reading: **James 2: 14 – 26** (p 1062)  
Meditation: "**Verbal Faith/Working Faith**"  
Prayer of Application

**IN HIS SERVICE**

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

\*stand if you are able

**THE LORD'S DAY - May 12, 2024**  
**EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE 5:00 P.M.**  
Guest Pastor: Mr. Dan Tracy

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

Prelude: Jamie Carlson  
Welcome and Announcements  
\*Call to Worship  
\*Opening Prayer  
\*God's Greeting

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

\*Song: "***It is Good to Sing Your Praises***" Red 513  
\*Our Profession of Faith – Apostles' Creed  
\*Song: "***Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak***" Red 754 vs 1, 3, 5

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

Prayer for Illumination  
Bible Reading: **James 3: 1 - 12** (p 1062)  
Meditation: "**Words Matter**"  
\*Song of Application: "***What a Friend We Have in Jesus***"  
Red 897

**PRAYERS AND OFFERINGS**

Share Prayer Requests  
Intercessory Prayer  
Offering: **Northern Lighthouse**

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

\*Song: "***By the Sea of Crystal***" Red 489 vs 1, 2  
\*Parting Blessing  
\*Doxology: "***By the Sea of Crystal***" Red 489 vs 3  
\*Postlude

\*stand if you are able

**Sermon Notes for Sunday Morning, May 12, 2024**  
**"Verbal Faith/Working Faith"**  
**James 2:14-26**

1. Verbal Faith Cannot Save
2. Verbal Faith Does Not Serve
3. Verbal Faith Will Not Survive
4. Faith that Works

**Sermon Notes for Sunday Evening, May 12, 2024**  
**"Words Matter" ~ James 3: 1-12**

1. The Tongue is Powerful
2. The Tongue is Dangerous
3. The Tongue is Untamable