

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER REQUESTS

Keep the **Living Water Church of Sheldon** in your prayers as they have officially become incorporated and are transitioning to being financially independent from the Living Water Church in Orange City. Some of our leaders are meeting with their leaders tomorrow evening to offer our encouragement, prayers and guidance.

Lifting Lambs to the Shepherd

Brent & Lindsey Koldenhoven ~ Alivia, Brayden

Terry & Lori Bootsma

Ray & Phyllis Elgersma

Young Adult of the Week ~ Claire Altena is pursuing a degree in Secondary Education at the University of Nebraska in Lincoln. Notes to her may be placed in Erin & Jenny's mailbox.

From the Elders: With joy we report that on Monday evening we heard and affirmed the professions of faith by **Sam Eisfeld, Priya Schreurs**, and **Rhonda Nelson**. We anticipate celebrating the baptisms and professions of faith of Sam and Priya next Sunday. Rhonda plans to reaffirm her faith during a morning worship service later in November. The elders also approved the membership transfers of **Darcy Eisfeld** from Hills United Reformed Church (Hills, Minnesota) and **Alyssa Sybesma** from Loveland Protestant Reformed Church (Loveland, Colorado) to be members of our congregation. Please extend your welcome to these new members of our church family.

The **GEMS Club Counselors** wish to thank our fellow church members for your generous offering received for the Club. We are humbled and blessed to receive this gift – it will be put to good use.

Thank You!

Humility learned now helps us avoid humiliation later

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

Rev. Robert Drenten, pastor at the Lebanon CRC, will lead us in worship at our 5 PM Service today.

CONGREGATIONAL NOTES

Gift wrapping with Amy is scheduled for this Friday, November 14th at 10 am at Yesterday's Memories. Please contact Amy if interested or with any questions.

The **Community Thanksgiving Dinner** will again be held in our church on Thanksgiving Day! You may sign up in the Fellowship Hall to donate food, help with preparation, and attend the Dinner. More details will be in church mailboxes next week. It's a time of great homemade food and fun . . . consider joining us this year!

"Coats for Kids" will be distributed on November 13 from 4:30 – 6 pm at Love, INC. If you wish to **Donate Coats for the Kids**, please drop them off at Love, INC no later than Nov. 13. (hours are Mondays – all day, Tues – Friday in the AM only)

UDMO and **Love, INC** are experiencing more grocery needs, due to reduced help from Gov't programs. You will find a list of items needed by each of these organizations in your church mailbox. Please consider donating towards this need. **Evangelism Committee**

Once again, we are doing the **"Giving Tree"** for Christmas gifts for Love, INC. Contributions can be put in the brown envelopes from the tree. Put them in the gift box under the tree. We have until Sunday, November 30. Thank you! **Evangelism committee**

Sheldon Mobile Food Bank will be delivered on Thursday, November 13 to Living Water Community Church – and be distributed from 4:30 - 6 p.m.

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The **Northwest Iowa Symphony Orchestra** (NISO) Fall Concert, *A New Era Looking Back*, featuring guest artist Daniel Maltz is set for Tuesday, November 11, at 7:30 p.m. in Dordt University's B.J. Haan. Purchase tickets at www.ticketleap.events/events/niso-iowa or at the door. Admission is \$25/adult and students are free. For questions or more information about the concert, please contact NISO@dordt.edu or call 712-722-6230 for more information.

Explore Western, on Tuesday, November 18, at 7:00 PM

Families with students of all ages are welcome to attend the hour-long event. Our goal is to share an authentic, relational, and enjoyable experience for prospective WC families as they learn about "Who We Are" and "What We Do" at Western Christian High School. Get a sneak peek at an exciting capital project God has placed on our hearts.

The **Celebrate Western Luncheon on Friday, November 21, begins at noon** in the Event Center. Dr. Brian Verwolf and Mr. Brad Vis will be presenting details about the "Cornerstone Campaign" followed by a Q&A session. We welcome you to join us! Lunch will be provided.

**If you plan to attend/have questions about either of these events, please email or contact Brad Vis

- brad.vis@westernchristianhs.com or 605-359-5704.

Tri-State Teens Encounter Christ (TEC) weekend – **Nov. 21-23**, at the First Presbyterian Church in Sibley. TEC is an interdenominational three-day Christian retreat designed to help high schoolers learn more about their faith and their community. To learn more or register, please visit www.TriStateTEC.org or email TriStateTEC@gmail.com. The cost is \$50 and includes a t-shirt, etc.. Scholarships are available upon request.

"Faith for the Whole Family" You can make a big difference at church just by being you—your smile, ideas, and kindness can brighten someone's day! Whether you're singing, helping, or asking great questions, God can use every little thing you do to share His love. Check out all the great content at **kidscorner.net**

Understanding Jesus' Beatitudes - Jesus preached and taught the ways of his kingdom as he traveled from place to place with his disciples. One of his most famous sermons is The Sermon on the Mount. Understand what his opening list of blessings, the Beatitudes, means for us as disciples of Jesus Christ today. Listen now at **GroundworkOnline.com**

Calling/Visiting Senior Members ~ November 9 - 15

(Sanborn) Marlin & Linda Vander Velde (Sheldon) Gertie Visser

CHURCH CALENDAR

TODAY - November 9

PPoint: Brent Koldenhoven
Video: Jeri Prins
Audio: Aaron Alons
Doors: Gerrit Wiekamp
Valet Parking: Nate Schreur
Nursery: Ann Hofman, Aubree Graves
Greeters: Aaron & Renee Alons
Gerald & Deb Alons
CIW: Linda O, Brandi W, Alivia K
Accom: AM & PM Starla Reitsma
Offering: AM Budget, Bldg. Proj. Fund
PM World Renew
Hospitality: John & Amy Vander Haag
Nick & Sara Schilling
Kelly & Pam De Groot

Next Week – November 16

Tonya Wiekamp
Stefan Sybesma
Aidan Carlson
Larry Stanley
Ben Reitsma
Pam De Groot, Lexis Baker
Cork & Carol Bootsma
Terry & Lori Bootsma
Linda O, Ann H, Maci W
AM Jamie C PM Michelle W
AM Budget, CES(Fair Share)
PM Hope Haven
Mike & Judy Visser
Erin & Jenny Campbell
Casey Baker

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

5:00 p.m. Evening Worship

6:15 p.m. Sunday Evening Bible Study – L 2

Monday 6:45 p.m. GEMS Theme Night
(Counselor mtg at 8:30 pm)

Wednesday 7:00 p.m. Deacons meeting
Youth Group ~
Shop for Gospel Mission/Kayden's Closet

NEW on Literature Table: 'New Roots' newsletter
Bible League Prayer calendar

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

IN HIS PRESENCE

Prelude: "*Gratitude*" Starla Reitsma, piano; Catherine Schreur, viola
Welcome and Announcements
*Call to Worship: *Psalm 106: 1 – 5*
*Opening Prayer
*Song: "***Blessed Be Your Name***" Red 343
*God's Greeting and Mutual Greeting
*Song: "***Grace Alone***"

IN HIS GRACE

Call to Confession: *I Peter 2: 11 – 12*
Prayer of Repentance
Assurance of Pardon: *I Peter 3: 18*
*Song: "***For the Fruit of All Creation***" Red 396

Congregational Prayer
Offertory: "*Give Thanks*"
Offerings: 1st - **Budget** 2nd – **Bldg. Projects Fund**
Children's Offering – **Goats for World Renew**
Children in Worship for 3 – 6 yr olds ~ Lesson 11
"The Ten Best Ways to Live"

IN HIS WORD

Prayer for Illumination
Bible Reading: **Romans 15: 1 – 7** (p 991)
Message: "**Accept One Another**"
Prayer of Application
*Song: "***Help Us Accept Each Other***" Red 318

IN HIS SERVICE

*Parting Blessing
*Doxology: "***Go Now in Peace***"
*Postlude

*stand if you are able

THE LORD'S DAY – November 9, 2025
EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE 5:00 P.M.
Guest Pastor – Rev. Robert Drenten

LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS TO GOD WITH PRAISE

Prelude: Starla Reitsma
Welcome and Announcements
Call to Worship: *Psalm 19: 1 – 4a, 7, 14*
*Opening Prayer
*God's Greeting

LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS TO GOD WITH THANKSGIVING

Songs of Praise: "***All Glory Be to God on High***" Red 542
"***Sing to the LORD, Sing His Praise***"
Red 515 vs 1, 2, 4

*Our Profession of Faith: **Heidelberg Catechism Q & A 1**

OPEN YOUR HEARTS TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination
Bible Reading: **Matthew 17: 1 – 13** (p 856)
Meditation: "**Why This Glory?**"
Prayer of Application
*Song: "***Across the Lands***" Red 775

PRAYERS AND OFFERINGS

Congregational Prayer
Offering:

OFFER YOURSELVES TO GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART

*Parting Blessing
*Doxology: "***Glory Be to the Father***" Red 959
*Postlude

*stand if you are able

Sermon Notes for November 9, 2025 AM Service
"Accept One Another" ~ Romans 15 :1–7

Introduction: Our Hunger for Acceptance

A. The Meaning of "Accept"

B. Honesty about What ____ and What _____

C. Untangling _____ and _____

D. How to Be Accepting and Be Accepted

Sermon Notes for November 9, 2025 PM Service
"Why This Glory?" ~ Matthew 17: 1–13