CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER REQUESTS

The family of **Veda Bousema** is celebrating her 100th Birthday (Oct. 1) this weekend. They <u>thank our Church</u> for what we have done for Veda. She did experience a fall this past week and the family is requesting <u>no further letters or cards</u>, but please continue to <u>pray for her</u>. She has been moved to Rm 216 at Sanford Senior Care. Any cards in her mailbox will still be delivered.

We express our sympathy to **Bill Roelfs and his family** at the unexpected passing of his brother, **Roland**, of Sibley. Visitation is Sunday (today) from 5 – 7 pm and the Memorial service is Monday at 2 PM, <u>both</u> at the United Methodist Church in Sibley.

Lifting Lambs to the Shepherd

Larry & Karen Bosma Lee & Starla Reitsma Dale & Julie Elgersma

Young Adult of the Week ~ Aidan Carlson is attending NCC, taking courses in their Industrial Commercial Wiring program, and working parttime for Value Electric. Notes to him may be placed in Cyle & Jamie's mailbox.

From CES - Last week was busy with fundraisers, from the bake sale, sub sandwiches, and silage piles. **We have been blessed** by all the time & effort given to support CES so far this year, **thank you!****Also, there is a fresh batch of pulled pork available. If you would like an order form let Ashley Sybesma know, or get ahold of Cody Stange to pick some up.

There is nothing around the corner that is beyond God's view

We warmly welcome all who have come to worship with us today. The ALS system is available for those with hearing impairments.

WORSHIP NOTES

Today is **COMMUNION SUNDAY** — All those who are truly sorry for their sins, sincerely believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as Savior, earnestly desire to lead a Godly life and are participating (professing) members in a Christian Church are invited to partake of the Lord's Supper today.

Pastor Westra's message today is based on Chapter 4 "Sing with Heart and Mind". Next Sunday's AM message will center around Chapter 5 "Sing with Your Family"

Reminder: Catechism students of Grades $4^{th} - 12^{th}$ should be taking sermon notes. (sermon note forms in bulletins and on podium)

CONGREGATIONAL NOTES

GEMS Club meeting – tomorrow, September 29 – starts at 6:45 pm

Women's Bible Study will meet this Tues., Sept. 30 at 9:30 a.m. with Lesson 1 in Romans "*Introducing Righteousness*".

Sunday Evening Bible Study (Couples and Singles) will begin next week, October 5, at 6:15 p.m. They will be studying "A Case for Christ" ~ Video series by Lee Strobble. Pastor Westra will lead Lesson 1 and Rhonda Nelson will provide lunch. Anyone is invited to join this group — or just come to visit!

Wedding grocery shower for Conner & Alyssa Sybesma – bring any items you wish to share with this newly married couple – to the designated table in Fellowship Hall.

SAFARI ADVENTURE <u>Sat.</u>, <u>Oct.</u> <u>4</u> - Green Oaks Museum & Ed. Center (3 miles south of Fairview SD - 29043th 486 Avenue). The Museum is filled with 140+ taxidermized animals in natural habitats, the result of global hunting trips by the Anden Van Beek family. Join us to tour the museum (9:00-10:00 AM) followed by refreshments, Q & A, and a Bible League presentation. Suggested donation of \$15/person for admittance, cash/check; a freewill offering will also be taken for Bible League International. **Children are welcomed!** <u>Please call or text Starla</u> Reitsma at 712-348-0366 if you would like a ride to the Museum.

HELP YOURSELF TO QUILT SQUARES!

Are you looking for a project for those chilly fall evenings? The quilt squares are in the library area of the Fireside Room ready to be chosen for quilt tops.

Located on the shelving closest to the kitchen; there are many sizes and colors for you to choose from. Check the squares out soon and sew for a bit!!

Love INC's hygiene & cleaning product supply is low—Donations needed
Size 6 diapers (preferably Pampers) 13-gallon garbage bags
Pull Ups (all sizes) Kleenex Laundry detergent
Toilet paper Men's shaving cream (set donations by GEMS Cards)

NEEDED: Individuals to join the **PowerPoint committee** (in the rotation or as a substitute). Your help would be appreciated! Contact <u>Brent Koldenhoven</u> or <u>other power point team members</u>.

Bargain Alley Thrift Store (1103 Maple Street – Hull) ~ in need of toddler/youth clothing. Open Tuesday - Saturday. Please contact Kari with any questions. bargainalleyhull@gmail.com or 712-439-6800.

Detailed information on these events posted on mailbox unit

*Love INC is offering a 10-week session of classes on Thursdays from 6:20 – 7:30 pm, from October 9 through December 18. Classes offered include: Finance ~ Parenting ~ GriefShare ~ Bible Study

Take this opportunity to grow and connect! Call (712) 324-9707 sign up.

*Conquering Cancer 4 O'Brien County – "Celebration of Life" event will be held Wednesday, October 8, at Crossroads Pavillion in Sheldon.

"Living God's Story" Proverbs 13:20 encourages us to find wise friends. Who do you think is wise? Who can teach you about God and the Bible? Talk to your parents. Go to **kidscorner.net**

When Discipleship Growth Stalls - Sometimes the things we do and say are out of sync with the faith we profess to believe. Understand what God does for us in these situations and what we need to continue growing again as Christ's disciples today. Listen now at **GroundworkOnline.com**

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS ON BACK PAGE OF BULLETIN

Calling/Visiting Senior Members ~ Sept. 28 -October 4

(Sanborn) Bruce & Lana Van Engen (Sheldon) Lee & Starla Reitsma

CHURCH CALENDAR

TODAY - September 28	Next Week - October 5
PPoint: Alan Visser family	Amber Stange, Craig Solsma
Video: Levi Westra	Karter Van Meeteren
Audio: Ben Reitsma	Bob Oldenkamp
Doors: Ray Elgersma	Rich Vander Werff
Valet Parking: Brent Koldenhoven	Travis Solsma
Nursery: Sara S, Bella A, Maci Wright	Renee & Ezra Alons
Greeters: Keven & Robin Van Meeteren	Chet & Maria Vander Velde
Chris & Nikki Van Beek	Marlin & Linda Vander Velde
CIW: Anna VE, Adrienne R, Chloe R	Anna VE, Darcy E, Anna S
Accom: AM Catherine S PM Ava R	AM Jamie C PM Michelle W
Offering: AM Budget, Missions	AM Budget, CES (Fair Share)
PM Hope Haven	PM Benevolence
Hospitality: Larry & Karen Bosma	Roy & Jeri Prins
Kevin & Ann Hofman	Mike & Kristie Verhoef
Gertie Visser	Don Uittenbogaard

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

Evening Worship

Monday	6:45 p.m.	GEMS Club meeting – Lesson
Tuesday	9:30 a.m.	Women's Bible Study - L 1
Wednesday	7:00 p.m.	Cadets at URC

Church Mailbox: CRCNA October Prayer guide

5:00 p.m.

NEW on Literature Table: "The Beacon" NL newsletter

International Seafarer's newsletter

THE LORD'S DAY – September 28, 2025 MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE 9:30 A.M. COMMUNION SUNDAY Pastor Phil Westra

IN HIS PRESENCE

Prelude: Catherine Schreur Welcome and Announcements *Call to Worship: *Psalm 121: 1 - 2*

*Opening Prayer

*Song: "I Lift My Eyes Up" Red 652

*God's Greeting

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

IN HIS GRACE

Call to Repentance: *Matthew 26: 26 – 28*

Prayer of Confession

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*Song: "O Come, My Soul, Sing Praise to God" Red 672 vs 1 - 3

Congregational Prayer

Offertory: Maci Wright - flute

Offerings: 1st - Budget 2nd - Missions

Children's Offering – Goats for World Renew

Children in Worship for 3 – 6 yr olds ~ Orientation 4 "The Light"

IN HIS WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Bible Reading: **Psalm 56** (p 498)

Message: "No Matter What, Worship God"

Prayer of Application

*Song: "I Surrender All" Red 739

IN HIS SERVICE

*Parting Blessing

*Doxology: "All People That on Earth Do Dwell" Red 1 vs 1 & 4

*Postlude

*stand if you are able

THE LORD'S DAY –September 28, 2025 EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE 5:00 P.M. Pastor Phil Westra

LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS TO GOD WITH PRAISE

Prelude: Ava Reitsma

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship: Matthew 24: 42 - 44

*God's Greeting *Opening Prayer

LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS TO GOD WITH THANKSGIVING

*Song: "Jesus Shall Reign" Red 219 vs 1, 2, 4, 5 *Profession of Faith: Heidelberg Catechism **Q & A 1**

*Song: "My Only Comfort" Red 781

OPEN YOUR HEARTS TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Bible Reading: **Matthew 25: 1 – 13** (p 864) Meditation: **"A Story About Readiness"**

Prayer of Application

*Song: "Be Thou My Vision" Red 859

PRAYERS AND OFFERINGS

Share Prayer Requests Prayer of Intercession Offering: **Hope Haven**

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 September 28, 2025 AM Service "No Matter What, Worship God" Psalm 56

Sermon Notes for September 28, 2025 PM Service "A Story About Readiness" Matthew 25:1–13

Introduction: When Worship is All About Us	Introduction: Missing Something Important
A. When Life is Difficult	A. Wisdom vs. Foolishness
B. To Keep Proper Perspective	B. The Analogy of a Wedding Feast
C. As a Response to the Gospel	C. Prepared for Relationship

SCS Positions: Athletic Director - part-time; stipend available; responsibilities include (but not limited to): scheduling all athletic events and practices; finding officials, coaches, operators of score clock; maintaining athletic uniforms; being in regular communication with school office to ensure that calendar dates sync. Mr. Minderhoud would work alongside (train) for the 25.26 SY & handing over position 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.

Justice for All's Annual Meeting & Auction <u>Thursday October 9</u> at the <u>South building</u> of their ministry campus in Rock Valley. After a short time of hearing about the past fiscal year, trips and financial report, and a catered meal, there will be an auction with items donated to help provide support for JFA. Homemade items, gift cards, meat bundles and more will be up for bidding. If you'd like to donate an item contact Joel De Wit <u>joeldw@jfa-nwiowa.org</u> or 712.739.0055. <u>Meal - 5 pm Auction 6:45 pm.</u>

Love INC_of Greater O'Brien County is currently <u>looking for a part-time Office Assistant/Receptionist</u> to support the daily operations of our office. Whether you're looking for a volunteer opportunity or a paid position, we encourage you to apply! Full job description and printable application can be found at www.sheldon-loveinc.org/employment. Review of applications will begin immediately.

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. If you would like to learn more about TEC or register, please visit www.TriStateTEC.org or email TriStateTEC.org or other special gifts. Scholarships are available upon request.