

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE AND PRAYER REQUESTS

We praise God for **Malachi Willemstyn's** successful heart surgery. He is now at home recuperating.

LIFTING LAMBS TO THE SHEPHERD

Nick & Sara Schilling ~ Abe, Rori

Craig & Tammy Solsma

John & Jessica Schreurs ~ Anna, Lamont, Liam

Young Adult of the Week ~ Drew Reitsma is attending Iowa Lakes Community College in Emmetsburg, for their Watercraft/Boat Technician course. Notes to him may be placed in Ben & Adrienne's church mailbox.

Pray for the Volunteers at the Evangelism Booth at the Clay County Fair and for the **people whom they speak and/or pray** with. May the Lord use this ministry in Service to Him.

Thank you to everyone who supported our Envelope Fundraiser this summer! Thanks to your generosity, we were able to raise \$2,750! We are grateful for your continued support of CES, your generosity is truly a blessing!
The CES Board

**Ministry is our love for Christ
dressed in working clothes**

We warmly welcome all who come to worship with us
ALS is available for those with hearing impairments
A Mother's Room is available in the basement

WORSHIP NOTES

Our morning worship service is on Church's website sanbornrcrc.com and YouTube link <http://youtube.com/@sanbornrcrc/live>

WORSHIP NOTES

First Fruits committee – please meet after the morning service in Pastor Westra's office.

Children in Worship will begin next Sunday morning for 3 – 6 year-old children. They are dismissed after their offerings are given.

CONGREGATIONAL NOTES

Sign up to help at the Clay County Fair Evangelism Booth!

There are sheets on the literature table to sign up – especially for Tues., Sept. 15 and Thurs., Sept. 17. We appreciate you giving of your time for this ministry.

You may place your gift for our newest member, **Jonah Dean Irmiter**, in the Pack 'n Play in the Fellowship Hall.

The **Fellowship and Education committees** are hosting a Potluck Brunch to kick off the beginning of our Church Education season, on Sunday, September 20. There is a flyer in your mailbox with details.

Pray for the Bible League retreat/conferences coming up Friday, Sept 11—Byron Center, MI; Sept 14-15—Sioux Center, IA; Thursday, Sept 17—Pella, IA; that the Lord will lead, equip, and energize the teams for the task before them.

Heartland Classis meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 16 at the Sheldon Immanuel CRC. Our representatives to this meeting will be **Pastor Phil**, Elder – **Larry Hofman**, and Deacon – **Travis Solsma**.

Bring your **"Gifts from the Garden"** You may bring garden produce to the Fellowship Hall to share with church friends. If your produce isn't claimed, remove it after Sunday.

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kingdom Boundaries – Fall Banquet – Tuesday, September 15 at the Carmel Reformed Church (2801 360th Street, Rock Valley). Go to **www.KingdomBoundaries.org** for more information or to register. 4pm – Doors open, 5pm – Fellowship/Silent Auction, 6pm Catered Dinner, 7 pm Program/Live Auction

Dordt University will be hosting a Faith & Work Conference – **At Work in the Garden**, September 17 – 19 (Thurs. – Sat.) This is an opportunity for learning, networking, and encouragement provided for churches, businesses, schools, organizations, and institutions of higher education. To register or find out more about the speakers, etc. go to **www.dordt.edu/events/atwork-in-the-garden**

Pray for Rod Bryant, the new Ministry Director in Australia and New Zealand for the Bible League. Pray for wisdom, discernment, and clear direction as he settles into the role, builds relationships and leads the ministry there.

Sheldon Mobile Food Bank will be delivered by truck this Thursday, September 10 from 4:30 – 6 PM to Living Water Community Church. Anyone is welcome.

A Safe Place - In Matthew 25:31-40, Jesus taught us that part of following him is helping others feel safe and comforted. Small acts of kindness may seem ordinary, but they can show God's extraordinary love. Go to **www.kidscorner.net** Also check out the new Kids Corner Devotions app at <https://kidscorner.net/app>

Faith that Endures - We've heard the call in Hebrews to stay close to Jesus. How do we cultivate a lasting faith? Join Groundwork as we study Hebrews 10:19-12:3 to learn why community and the testimony of fellow believers are essential to remaining faithful and cultivating a faith that endures through the difficult seasons in life. Listen now at **GroundworkOnline.com**

Writing Missionaries for the month of September

Brandi Wright Aaron & Renee Alons Casey Baker

Calling/Visiting Senior Members ~ Sept 6 - 12

(Sanborn) Larry Hofman
(Sheldon) Rich Vander Werff

CHURCH CALENDAR

TODAY - September 6

PPoint: Amber Stange, Craig Solsma
Video: Karter Van Meeteren
Audio: Aaron Alons
Doors: Brent Koldenhoven
Valet Parking: Travis Solsma
Nursery: Shannon & Caitlin Rydberg
CIW: - - - - -
Greeters: Jon & Pat Sybesma
 Shane & Nikki Sybesma
Accom: AM & PM Catherine Schreur
Offering: AM Budget, CES (Fair Share)
 PM Benevolence

Hospitality: Ben & Adrienne Reitsma
 Nick & Sara Schilling
 Gertie Visser

Next Week – September 13

Brent Koldenhoven
Jeri Prins
Bob Oldenkamp
Rich Vander Werff
Stefan Sybesma
Renee & John Alons
Jessica S, Brandi & Maci W
Cody & Amber Stange
Travis & Anna Solsma
AM & PM Starla Reitsma
AM Budget, Building
PM Cornerstone Prison Church
 (Sioux Falls)
Cody & Amber Stange
Jon & Tonya Hoogers
Kelly & Pam De Groot

5:00 p.m.

Evening Worship

Tuesday

7:00 p.m.

Elders Meeting

In Mailboxes: Deacons August report/Sept offering schedule
Flyer – "Education Sunday" Luncheon event

THE LORD'S DAY – September 6, 2026
MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE 9:30 A.M
Pastor Phil Westra

IN HIS PRESENCE

Prelude: Catherine Schreur
Welcome and Announcements
*Call to Worship: *Psalm 146: 1 - 6*
*Opening Prayer
*God's Greeting
*Songs: **"Praise the Lord! Sing Hallelujah!"** Red 518
"How Great is Our God" Red 574

IN HIS GRACE

Call to Confession: *James 5: 16*
Prayer of Repentance
Assurance of Pardon: *Luke 19: 8 - 10*
*Song: **"I Stand Amazed"** Red 174
God's Will" **Colossians 3: 15 – 4: 1**

IN HIS WORD

Prayer for Illumination
Bible Reading: **I Samuel 16: 14 – 23** (p 247)
Message: **"Serving Through Our Work"**
Prayer of Application
*Song: **"For the Fruit of All Creation"** Red 396

IN HIS SERVICE

Congregational Prayer

Offerings: 1st - **Budget** 2nd **CES (Fair Share)**
Children's Offering – **Goats for World Renew**

*Parting Blessing
*Doxology: **"I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"** Red 854 vs 1
*Postlude

*stand if you are able

THE LORD'S DAY – September 6, 2026
EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE 5 P.M.
Pastor Phil Westra

LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS TO GOD WITH PRAISE

*Prelude: Catherine Schreur
*Welcome and Announcements
*Call to Worship: *Psalm 72: 18 - 19*
*Opening Prayer
*God's Greeting

LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS TO GOD WITH THANKSGIVING

*Song: **"Oh, the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus"** Red 796
*Song: **"Abide with Me"** Red 466 vs 1 - 3

OPEN YOUR HEARTS TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination
Bible Reading: **Acts 8 : 26 – 40** (p 957)
Meditation: **"The First Ethiopian Christian"**
Prayer of Application
*Song: **"Seek Ye First"** Red 899

PRAYERS AND OFFERINGS

Sharing Prayer Requests
Prayer of Intercession
Offering: **Benevolence**

OFFER YOURSELVES TO GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART

*Parting Blessing
*Doxology: **"By the Sea of Crystal"** Red 489 vs 3
*Postlude

*Indicates stand if you are able

Sermon Notes for September 6, 2026 A.M.
"Serving Through Our Work"
1 Samuel 16:14–23

Introduction: Your First Job

A. Working as Disciples of Jesus

B. Insights from David Serving Saul

1. Opportunities:

2. Tensions:

3. Spiritual Realities:

C. Labor Day

Sermon Notes for September 6, 2026 P.M.
"The First Ethiopian Christian"
Acts 8:26–40

Introduction: Divine Appointment

A. The Angel of the Lord's Perspective

B. Philip the Evangelist's Perspective

C. The Ethiopian Official's Perspective