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Prayers, Praise, and Plans

A WEEKLY PUBLICATION OF CHURCH FAMILY CONCERNS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER PARTNERSHIP

Worship Today, August 27, 2023

Pastor Bill will lead us in both worship services today.

Church Family Prayers

> The elders granted a request from Ryan Pastoor to transfer his membership to First Reformed Church in Pella. We pray God will continue to bless Ryan and Aimee in their new church home.

> There is a baby basket in the quilt room to celebrate the birth of Bowen Jace Lowry.

> Out of a desire to care for all our members, each week we will be placing names of shutins for you to remember in prayer. This week we want to specifically remember Gladys Stravers, Don and Deloris Van Rees and Mildred Van Soelen.

Next Week Sunday, September 3

Sunday morning Pastor John De Vries will lead us in worship. There will be a potluck meal at Sully Christian School at 11:30 am. Pastor Vis will lead our evening worship. Offering: Sully Christian School Greeters: (N) Jamie and Michelle Van Kooten (S) Ed and Judy Van Kooten Nursery Assignment: Linda Zylstra, Breckyn Lowry, Abbie De Berg Coffee Servers: Kevin and Jared Laverman Loren and Shawna Fopma

ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Bulletin Deadline Thursday Noon.)

Budget Giving

Total Congregational Giving since June 1, 2023: \$85,550 Budgeted goal by August 31, 2023: \$106,717.05 Budget Giving Goal by May 31, 2024: \$426,868.22

September Offering Schedule

September 3- Sully Christian School September 10- AM Rededication Service PM East Jasper Christian Food Pantry September 17- Benevolence September 24- Christian Education Encouragement Fund

Sunday, September 3 Pastor John De Vries will lead morning worship.

- There will be no coffee time after church.

- Lunch will begin at 11:30 at Sully Christian School.

* Pork loin, buns, brownies, ice cream, drink, and table service will be provided.

* Congregational members are asked to bring one side dish to share.

- Following the lunch, there will be a Q&A session with Pastor John.

- * The Q&A will be recorded, to allow those who cannot attend that day an opportunity to hear the questions and answers.
 - Nursery care will be provided on the playground during the Q&A. Alternate location due to weather will be announced if needed.
- * To ensure those watching can hear and to assist with time management, questions will be read into a microphone by an MC.
 - Congregational members are invited to pre-submit questions via email to Rick Fopma (<u>rcfopma@netins.net</u>) or Dale Van Wyk (<u>dalevw@netins.net</u>). There will also be note cards provided for submission of additional questions before the Q&A session.
 - Follow-up questions will be welcome after the initial questions are given.

Special Congregational Meeting, September 6 @ 6:30 PM: We will hold a congregational meeting on Wednesday, September 6 at 6:30 PM in the church sanctuary. The agenda will include a vote on whether to extend a call to Pastor John DeVries. A 75% majority vote will be required to call Pastor John DeVries. Additionally, the New Facility Team will provide an update and the Technology Committee will present information on the church's audio and video systems. A copy of the meeting agenda has been placed in your church mailbox.

The Annual Rededication Service, hosted by Sully First Reformed Church and Sully Christian Reformed Church, will be held Sunday, September 10 at 9:30 AM at the First Reformed Church. Joel Vander Molen will be the speaker. Joel has been a quadriplegic since an accident when he was three years old. He is now a web developer, disability awareness speaker, substitute minister and more. We look forward to gathering as a community to hear the message Joel will bring. **Parents Note:** Joel will be delivering a children's sermon and would like the children to wear flip flops or sandals.

Bible League Conference: Join us on Thursday, September 14 at Calvary CRC I Pella for the *Growing Inward-Reaching Outward* conference for men and women. Best-selling author, Carol Kent's life turned upside down when their only child was sentenced for murder. Carol shares

from God's Word and her family's life experience in growing an enduring faith and impacting the world for Christ. Registration and more information can be found at Bibleleague.org/tickets.

PCHS ALUMNI NIGHT: All Pella Christian alumni are invited to join us Friday, September 22 at the PCHS home football game vs. Eddyville-Blakesburg-Fremont. Enjoy an evening of fellowship and supporting our PC Football teams. The night will be sprinkled with fun events including prizes and free snacks. Stop by the Alumni registration table which will be just south of the Eagle Boosters concessions to join in the fun.

World Renew needs your help: Rolling Fork, Mississippi needs help reconstructing homes from tornado damage. World Renew has asked for help with construction in Rolling Fork, Mississippi the 2nd week of October (October 7-14). If you would be interested in helping there, please contact Jean DeWaard (jeandewaard@hotmail.com) for more information, by August 23. They will be working with a church in Rolling Fork to have all the plans made and supplies available. Please prayerfully consider this volunteer opportunity.

Tour the Biblical Lands of Israel - February 26 - March 8, 2024. Experience a refreshing renewal of your faith, and gain a deeper understanding of the Bible, as you tour the biblical lands with teaching host, Pastor Peter Tuininga, and Sindbad Tours of Israel. See many of the biblical places (Jerusalem, Galilee, Caesarea, Jericho, and much more), and gain spiritual and historical insights which will make the Bible come alive for you. For complete information, cost, and registration, go to website: toursofisrael.wordpress.com or call Peter Tuininga: 1 289 877-8433 or e-mail: peter.tuininga@gmail.com

COUNCIL FUNCTION/DISTRICT ELDERS

Lawrence Van Zee (24)	Team 1
Mike Arkema (24)	
Rick Vos (24)	Vicar
Roger Zylstra (25)	Team 6
Gary Christensen (25)	Team 5
Landon Van Zante (25)	Clerk
Dale Van Wyk (26)	Chairman
Tim Vander Schel (26)	Team 2
Nolan Vos (26)	Team 3

DEACONS

Rick Jansen (24)	.Collection Fund, Team 5
John De Berg (24)	General Fund
Kyle Van Kooten (24)	B & G, Team 2
Mike Vander Molen (25))Benevolence, Team 3
Trevor Nikkel (25)	Secretary, Team 6
Dennis Schut (26)	Chairman
John Kramer (26)	Vicar/Auditor, Team 4
Zach Dunsbergen (26)	Team 1

CHURCH PROGRAM

Sunday	
Men's Bible Study 8:00 AM	
Prayer Meeting	
Church School 10:45 AM	
*Growing in Grace	
*Truth Seekers	
Tuesday	
*Coffee Break Ministry 9:30 AM	
Wednesday	
*Ruth Circle1:00 PM	
*Share Your Faith	
*GEMS	
*Cadets	
*412 High School Youth Group	
* Indicates these groups meet September through March.	
Prayer Meeting	

INFORMATION

Pastor	
Secretary Glend	a Vander Leest—Office 594-3491 (cell-641-780-6166), bulletin deadline Thursday, 12:00am
Worship Coordinator	Jodi De Berg – 319-243-8754 email: worshipsullycrc@netins.net
Cancellations	
Church Use	
Communion	Good Friday, third Sunday of February, June, September, and the last Sunday of December.
Custodian	
Fellowship Findings	
	Rick Vos
	m Link: https://app.rightnowmedia.org/join/sullychristianreformedchurch

Missionaries