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# **Prayers, Praise, and Plans**

#### A WEEKLY PUBLICATION OF CHURCH FAMILY CONCERNS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

# PRAYER PARTNERSHIP

Worship Today, September 29, 2024

Pastor Darren will lead both services today.

# Church Family Prayers

- > The council accepted the membership transfer of Gabe & Izzy Hoksbergen and their children John, Diederick and Clazina from Faith CRC in Pella. The Hoksbergen family has been worshipping with us for several months, and we are excited to officially welcome them as new members of our congregation.
- > We are thankful that Clint Vos could return home this past Wednesday. Please pray for continued healing and strength as he convalesces at home.
- > Out of a desire to care for all our members, each week we will be placing names of shut-ins for you to remember in prayer. This week we want to specifically remember Melissa Laverman, Marcia Nikkel and Dan Pastoor.

# Next Week Sunday, October 6

Offering: Sully Christian School with SCS Envelope Offering

Greeters: (N) Mike Vander Molen and Val Nikkel

(5) Harlan and Norma Beerends

Nursery Assignment: Shawna Fopma and Gwen Zylstra

Coffee Servers: Rick and Carla Fopma
Kevin and Dawn Plowman

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

(Bulletin Deadline Thursday Noon.)

# **Budget Giving**

Total Congregational Giving since June 1, 2024: \$132,870.22

Budgeted goal by September 30, 2024: \$151,804.00 Budget Giving Goal by May 31, 2025: \$455,412.00

# October Offering Schedule

October 6 Sully Christian School with SCS Envelope Offering

October 13 Central Iowa Teens Encounter Christ (TEC)

October 20 Christian Education Encouragement Fund

October 27 Seminary Offering

**Drive Your Favorite Ride to Church!!** This evening, September 29, you are invited to take your favorite ride to church. Polish up that vintage car, truck, or tractor; get out your sporty convertible, motorcycle, or even your bicycle. Whatever is your favorite thing to drive, we want you to drive it to church on Sunday evening, September 29.

October 2 is the first Wednesday of the month, which means Pastor Darren and Emily would like to invite all who are able to come and join them for a time of coffee and fellowship in the fellowship hall, this Wednesday at 10:00am. Hope to see many of you there!

The choir is going to begin practicing on October 6 beginning at 5:00. We will have a discussion at that meeting about possibly meeting at 8:30 on Sunday morning. If you would like to enter that discussion but cannot be there on Sunday night, please contact Mary Fopma. We will be singing an exciting rendition of His Eye is on the Sparrow entitled I Sing Because I'm Happy. Everyone is welcome to join in on the fun!

Attention, All Boys from 4<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grade: Does your son enjoy camping, spending time outdoors or learning different skills like woodworking, fire building, shelter building, and archery? If this sounds like fun for him, I think he would enjoy being a part of our group, the Sully CRC Cadets. We meet each Wednesday night from October to March and do lots of fun activities while also learning about serving God. Our theme for this year is "Lead the Way" 1 Timothy 4:12.

If you are interested in joining cadets, please let Scott Nikkel know by text or email. Phone is 641-891-3834 or email <u>scottnikkel@netins.net</u>. We will begin our regular season on Wednesday night Oct.2. Sully CRC Cadets

Share Your Faith is a women's Bible Study that meets weekly on Wednesday evenings during the education season. We begin our season on Wednesday, October 2, and will be doing a study on I Corinthians through Right Now Media. Materials may be found in folders on the table in the guilt room.

**Truth Seekers** meet the first and third Sunday evening of the month, following the evening worship service. The first meeting will be on October 6. We welcome anyone to join us as we participate in Bible study and fellowship.

The "Growing in Grace" group will be meeting the second Sunday night of the month after the service beginning in October. This year we will be studying the book The Ruthless Elimination of Hurry by John Mark Comer. We invite anyone to join us for a night of fellowship and growing

in our faith. If you are interested in this, please contact Verlan Van Wyk - 641-990-1687 - soon so that we can order you a book.

Ladies, Save November 7 for our next sewing day.

Together for Good: Together for Good continues to expand within Iowa as more vulnerable families, especially in the Pella and Newton areas, are being referred. Thankfully, area churches and volunteers are stepping up to meet these needs in various ways. Our church has a volunteer group that has been active behind the scenes. We've assembled Easter and Christmas baskets and have gathered backpacks and school supplies for families in the area. We've also wrapped around a host family in our church by providing meals, groceries, and financial support. If you would like to learn more about Together for Good and how you can help, contact Jana Van Zante.

Together for Good: Although there are many ways to help, host families are a vital part of the Together for Good ministry. If you have the gift of hospitality and a heart for kids, perhaps think about becoming one of these families. Our church will wrap around you as you care for vulnerable kids. If you're not ready to be a host family, consider being a parent advocate. You would fill a mentor role and come alongside a local parent through conversations, texts, transportation, or an occasional delivery of a meal. You're simply building a relationship centered on compassion and Christ-centered encouragement. Please contact Jana Van Zante if you'd like to learn more about hosting or the advocacy program.

Men, do you like to sing? The Gospel Singers Male Chorus is looking for new members. We are rehearsing for our concert season. If interested, please call Dave at 641-629-9762 for more details.

A sincere thank you from Pella Christian Football to all those who supported us at our pancake breakfast. Over 400 people were served, and we are thankful for our community and support both on and off the field.

Save the Date: October 4th: Alumni and 20th Anniversary Football night.

This year our football alumni night is extra special as we celebrate 20 years of PC football. Friday, October 4, 2024: PC alumni football players, coaches, and guests - join us for dinner to reminisce and celebrate 20 years of PC football. See details of the evening and RSVP for dinner: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/PCfootball20years">https://tinyurl.com/PCfootball20years</a> All alumni - check in at the alumni table for concession coupons. Please spread the word and join us in celebrating 20 years of PC Football!

#### Fall Choir and Band Concert

Join the Pella Christian High School Music Department for their annual Fall Concert on Tuesday, October 15 at 7:00pm in the PCHS Vermeer Auditorium. Concert Band, Marching Band, Cantabile, Concert Choir and Chamber Choir will perform. Come and enjoy the musical gifts of

our Pella Christian High School students. Donations will be accepted via offering during a brief intermission.

# Pella Christian High School Presents Fiddler on the Roof

Pella Christian High School's Theatre Troupe will begin its new year—their 75th Diamond Jubilee Season—with Broadway's favorite classic, *Fiddler on the Roof*. Production dates are October 31, November 1 and 2, 2024 with Reserve Tickets available for purchase on-line beginning October 14. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$8 for students (\$2 more at the door). Visit <a href="https://www.pceagles.org">www.pceagles.org</a> for more information.

Lake View Camp invites everyone on Saturday, October 12th for a Fall Camp Fun Day! This camp fundraiser will start off with a 5K Trail Run/Walk (\$25 pre-registration / \$35 on race day) at 9:00am followed by fall fun activities from 10:00am until 4:00pm (\$5/person). Activities include canoeing, fishing, mini obstacle course, hay bales, crafts, mini golf, wagon rides, and more. Fun for the whole family! More details at <a href="lakeviewconference.com/blazingthetrails">lakeviewconference.com/blazingthetrails</a>. (Pre-registration is encouraged for the 5K Trail Run but not required. No pre-registration for the Fall Camp Fun Day.)

Mid-America Reformed Seminary's Center for Missions and Evangelism (CME) Conference is coming up on October 11-12, 2024. Registration is set to expire next Friday, October 4th, so don't miss this opportunity! Whether you plan to attend yourself, bring your family, or your Youth Group, or send other members from your congregation, be sure to register on the CME conference website today at <a href="https://www.midamerica.edu/cme/conference">www.midamerica.edu/cme/conference</a>.

COUNCIL FUNCTION/DISTRICT	CHURCH PROGRAM
Roger Zylstra (25)Team 6	
Gary Christensen (25)Team 5	Sunday
Landon Van Zante (25)Clerk	Men's Bible Study 8:00 AM
Dale Van Wyk (26)Chairman	Prayer Meeting
Tim Vander Schel (26)Team 2	Church School
Nolan Vos (26)Team 3	
Mike Van Soelen (27)Team 1	*Growing in Grace
Jeff Pastoor (27)Vicar	*Truth Seekers7:00 PM
Joel Vos (27)Team 4	Tuesday
Pastor Darren	*Coffee Break Ministry
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	Wednesday
Mike Vander Molen (25) Benevolence, Team 3	*Ruth Circle1:00 PM
Trevor Nikkel (25) Secretary, Team 6	*Share Your Faith6:45 PM
Dennis Schut (26)Chairman	*GEMS6:45 PM
John Kramer (26)Vicar/Auditor, Team 4	*Cadets6:45 PM
Zach Dunsbergen (26) Team 1	*412 High School Youth Group7:00 PM
Clint Vos (27) Mission Fund /Team 2	* Indicates these groups meet September through March.
Lauren Van Wyk (27)Team 5	Prayer Meeting7:00 PM (year-round)
Nathan Nikkel (27)General Fund Treasurer	rrayer infecting
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