

December Church Calendar

Sundays, December 3, 10, & 17:

- Congregational Worship: 8:30 & 10:30 AM
- Promise Kids: dismissed from worship
- College Breakfast: 9:30 AM, 12/3 & 10
- Children Sunday School: 9:40 AM
- Youth Sunday School: 9:45 AM
- Adult Education: 9:40 AM, "The Guide" Bible Study
- Adult Education: 9:45, "Bringing Biblical Truth to a Broken Culture" - Exploring Acts with Pastor Dave Poppen & Corky Koerselman
- Kids Christmas Program: 5:30 PM, 12/3
- Sunday Evening Gathering: 5:30 PM, 12/10
- Blue Christmas Service: 5:30 PM, 12/17
- FUEL Young Adults Christmas Party: 7:00 PM, 12/17

Sundays, December 24 & 31:

- Congregational Morning Worship: 10:00 AM
- Christmas Eve Worship: 4:00 & 6:00 PM, 12/24

Mondays:

- PiYo: 6:30 AM
- Pray Around the Pulpit: 6:30 AM, 12/11
- Monday Evening Bible Study: 6:30 PM, 12/4

Tuesdays:

- Staff Meeting: 8:30 AM

Wednesdays:

- Blocks & Knots: 1:00 PM, 12/6, 13, & 20
- Library Board Meeting: 1:00 PM, 12/13

Wednesday Evenings:

- Bountiful Table Food Distribution: 5:30 PM, 12/20
- Youth Group Event, 12/20, watch for information

ALL regularly scheduled Wednesday evening activities listed below will only happen on 12/6 & 13 due to the Christmas and New Year's Break on 12/20 and 27.

- Evening Meal: 5:15 PM
- Kids Choir: 5:50 PM
- Children K-1 (What's in the Bible): 6:30 PM
- Children 2-5 (AWANA): 6:30 PM
- JAM Middle School Youth Group: 6:30 PM
- Men's Bible Study: 6:30 PM
- Prayer Warriors: 6:30 PM
- Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal: 7:30 PM
- SURF High School Youth Group: 8:00 PM

Thursdays:

- PiYo: 6:30 AM
- Thursday AM Women's Study: 7:30 AM, 12/14
- Mary Martha Circle: 2:00 PM, 12/7
- Senior Adults Gathering: 2:00 PM, 12/14
- Women's Volleyball: 8:00 PM

For more information or to join these activities please visit our website at frcoc.org or call the church office at 737-4909.



YOU ARE INVITED TO

THE BEST NIGHT EVER

DECEMBER 3

5:30 PM

FRC KIDS CHRISTMAS PROGRAM



December Birthdays & Anniversaries

December 1:

- Lyle Korver
- Pete & Rachael De Beer

December 2:

- Titus De Koster
- Autumn Faber
- Roz Wielenga
- Norwin & Myra Bomgaars

December 3:

- Jon De Koster
- Shannon Puttmann
- Shannon & Kristen Puttmann

December 5:

- Annie Dykstra
- Eliza Dykstra
- Michelle Vaas

December 6:

- Harley Kleinwolterink
- Bob Vander Schaaf

December 7:

- Marlys De Koster
- Ole Enger
- Randy Van Der Maaten

December 8:

- Jim Aberson
- Deb Lynn
- Tom Smith
- Sarae Van Zee

December 9:

- Dennis Beltman
- Greta Boersma
- Kristen Puttmann

December 10:

- Jameson Guthmiller
- Osa Ochsner

December 11:

- Andrea Rau
- June Van Oort
- Mark & Kay Jonker

December 12:

- Jaidica Dykstra
- Jacob Maassen
- Braylon Van Gelder

December 13:

- Cassandra Mars

December 14:

- Gerald Bruxvoort
- Elaine De Jong
- Emilia Jeltma
- Mark Schuller
- Eric Van Ravenhorst

December 15:

- Tyler Stamer

December 16:

- Sam Dykstra
- Carol Van Gelder

December 17:

- Angie Boersma
- Jon Dykstra
- Renee Wynia
- Tim & Sara Van Zee

December 18:

- AJ Bomgaars
- Livie Kuiper
- Breanne Van Gelder
- Paul & Elaine De Jong
- Stee & Barb Maxwell

December 19:

- Teresa Brunsting
- Dawn Kroese
- Sharon Vander Schaaf

December 20:

- Steve Connell
- Dave Pfaffle
- Mark Rassel
- Jake & Sharon Rens

December 21:

- Dean Hibma
- Brandon & MaKayla De Kock

December 22:

- Diane Van Luttikhuizen
- Dennis & Dawn Beltman
- Mike & Nancy Hauswald

December 23:

- Eli Guthmiller
- Hudson Guthmiller

December 24:

- Norma Krosschell
- Tony Vande Brake

December 25:

- Dotty Trost
- Kevin Vanden Brink

December 26:

- Les Cleveringa
- Joan Van't Hof
- Verle & Connie Duisternars
- Jerry & Christine Dykstra

December 27:

- Micah Rensink
- Tom & Peg Smith

December 28:

- Jordan De Koster
- Jack & Norma Stander

December 29:

- Alaina Mouw
- Logan & Cassandra Mars
- Clark & Merilee Pennings
- Mark & Lynnette Schuller

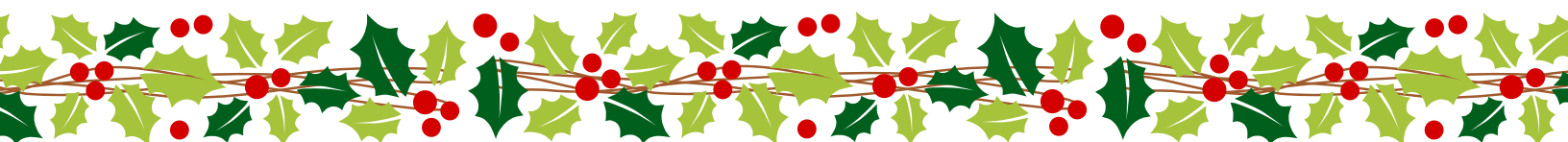
December 30:

- Earl Bomgaars

December 31:

- Grayson Hegstad
- Marilyn Jordan

_____ = Anniversary | * = 80+ | ** = 90+ | *** = 100+



December College Breakfast Servers

December 3

- Rachael Brunsting
and small group



December 10

- Terri Johnson
- Ron & Bonnie De Jong
- Patty De Kock
- Taylor & Heather Warntjes
- Randy & Shelly Ritsema
- Nick & Mikkell Baker
- Jon & Amy Schmidt
- Dawn Kroese

December Connections Volunteers

Sanctuary Greeters

December 3:

- Linda Te Grotenhuis - North Door
- Brent Carmichael - Center Door
- Amy Struck - South Door

December 10:

- Breanne Van Gelder - North Door
- Pat Van Gelder - Center Door
- Rose Vande Brake - South Door

December 17:

- Mary Van Gelder - North Door
- Bob Van Gelder - Center Door
- Jeff Kliegl - South Door

December 24:

- Riley Bruxvoort - North Door
- Brett Mulder - Center Door
- Nora Mulder - South Door

December 31:

- Terri Johnson - North Door
- Sherri Koerselman - Center Door
- Corky Koerselman - South Door

Door Openers

December 3:

- Arlin Brenneman - North Door
- Glenda Brenneman - South Door
- Michelle Vaas - Welcome Center

December 10:

- Allison Van Wyk - North Door
- Kyle Van Wyk - South Door
- John Mirande - Welcome Center

December 17:

- Josh Goslinga - North Door
- Troy Van Roekel - South Door
- Bev De Jager - Welcome Center

December 24:

- Meg Otto - North Door
- Ruth Lyftogt - South Door
- Ron K. De Jong - Welcome Center

December 31:

- Amy Eben - North Door
- Ellie Vitamvas - South Door
- Renee Scholten - Welcome Center

Coffee Servers

December 3:

- Drew & Jean Vogel

December 10:

- Kent & Pam Anderson

December 17:

- Joel & Angie Bomgaars

December 24:

- Norwin & Myra Bomgaars

December 31:

- Dave & Anita Bomgaars



THE FOCUS

First Reformed Church
December 2023

Claude Vander Zwaag's
new address:
2810 Aurora Ave Apt 211
Spirit Lake, IA 51360



On behalf of the Bill Wielenga family, we'd like to thank our First Reformed Church community for the extraordinary support you provided after the passing of my husband and our dad. We were so incredibly blessed by the many expressions of sympathy received, including emails, cards, phone calls, food, flowers and generous memorials. Wow! You are such a blessing to us. We know First has always been so supportive but until you walk this road, you don't really understand the magnitude of people's love and support. It meant so much. Our deepest gratitude to each of you who shared in some way.

Most sincerely, Bev, Jan, Jay, Roz and families.

Thank you to the FRC family for your prayers, visits, food and other expressions of love through the past weeks. While we mourn Roger's loss, we take comfort in knowing that we do not do so alone. Special thanks to Pastor Mark and Tom for their visits and to those that served in the kitchen after the funeral service.

-Family of Roger DeHaan

ADVENT LIGHT

CHRISTMAS AT FIRST REFORMED CHURCH

DECEMBER 3 - HOPE (8:30 & 10:30 AM)

DECEMBER 10 - PEACE (8:30 & 10:30 AM)

DECEMBER 17 - JOY (8:30 & 10:30 AM)

DECEMBER 24 - LOVE (10:00 AM)
Christmas Orchestra

DECEMBER 24 - CHRIST (4:00 & 6:00 PM)
Candlelight Service

 **first reformed church**

420 Central Ave NW, Orange City, IA
www.frcoc.org

BOUNTIFUL TABLE

FREE FOOD DISTRIBUTION

WED., DEC. 20, 5:30-6:30 PM

First Reformed Church
420 Central Ave NW, Orange City
Use the south canopy drive-thru.

Please note that the church office will be closed on Monday, December 25th, for Christmas and Monday, January 1st, for New Year's Day.