



# THE COMMUNICATOR

JULY 6, 2023

## PRAYER MINISTRY

Join us for prayer on Saturday mornings at 7am via Zoom or in person in our chapel.

People can join via video or using the call-in number if video is not an option.

Join via phone: (346) 248-7799

Meeting website:  
<https://zoom.us/j/862139432>  
Meeting ID: 862 139 432  
Password: 853781

Call Shawn Blom at  
605-940-6702 with questions.

## MISSION OF THE MONTH

Feeding South Dakota Backpack Program

## CLYDE'S ARTICLE

It has been a couple of weeks since we last talked, and July has arrived. The 4th is now behind us and we are off into the next few weeks of summer. I could certainly tell that lots of Sioux Falls people were off to some other place this past weekend. It was amazing to see the lack of cars in town. It was actually evident! Lots of people are doing vacations and spending time with families doing all kinds of fun things. It is good to see, and I do hope you are all enjoying the summer. We got a nice rain at the start of this week and all of that is so good to see. We were back in Burke for the 4th and things there are looking green as well. There are places though that you can tell have really been hit hard with the dry conditions. Depending on the timing and amount of those showers really makes a difference. You just never know in this part of the country. Summer is moving along. July is here folks!

Bible school is coming up at the end of the month. I know we are still looking to get as many kids preregistered as possible, and I also know we are still looking for helpers folks. Consider helping. If you have never done this before, give this a try! It is only four evenings and things go so fast. You will not be disappointed. I love it! I am looking forward to it!

Rocky Mountain High is coming up at the end of this month as well. I am not sure how many kids are going, but I know Doyle has it all lined-up and ready to roll. This is a big trip out to Colorado with our senior high youth. I know they will have a great time and for many of them, this will be a marker event in their spiritual lives. I hear those stories all the time. Those church camp experiences are game changers for lots of youth. Many of our younger kids have been doing camp at Inspiration Hills this summer as well. Again, so many things that are happening around us. God is good!

I have been working on things for the fall. Reading and studying! I am looking for some ideas for MidWeek classes as well. I know it is still weeks away, but I have learned these things get here before you know it. I like to be ready! We are looking at some good adult options coming up this fall. I hope more will be willing to join us. I have much more to say about that when the time comes.

I still have several weddings yet to do this summer and a few this fall as well. Some of them are out of town. I am going to be doing a lot of driving and getting back to get church done on Sundays. I haven't had a schedule like that in a bit. It is a new challenge for me. If you see me yawning on a Sunday morning, you will know that the miles are getting the best of me. I am looking forward to the challenge.

Romans 12 has been a great study. This past weekend we even did a little Greek language study. I had many of you talk about how informative that all was. I have mentioned numbers of times that the ancient languages are very different than English. They really help us see those verses in a different way. Even this week's message is going to need a little expression from my Greek resources. I won't get carried away with that, but you will see it will make a difference again in this week's message. The Apostle Paul was an excellent writer, and he chose words with care. He knew what he wanted to say, and he knew the best words to express that point of view. We'll talk more on Sunday. Have a great week!

YOU  
**BELONG**  
HERE

# Register Now!

## Vacation Bible School



Free- bring friends!  
communityrc.org/vbs



**COMMUNITY AT THE FAITH AND FAMILY NIGHT  
AT THE CANARIES GAME!**

## FINANCES

Sunday, July 2, 2023

General: \$12,451  
Vision: \$535  
Missions: \$465

General YTD: \$407,765  
Vision YTD: \$35,831  
Vision Account Balance: \$27,753

## THIS WEEK

### Saturday, July 8

7:00am- Prayer Ministry  
10:00AM- AA (via Zoom)  
See details below.

### Sunday, July 9

8:00, 9:00 & 10:45AM- Worship Service  
10:10am- Adult Sunday School

### Monday, July 10

Noon- Senior Citizens (E. Pizza Ranch)  
6:30 & 8:20pm- Church Softball (Sherman  
Park- Field D)

### Tuesday, July 11

9:30-11am- Play Group

### Wednesday, July 12

6:00pm- Youth Group

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## AA BIG BOOK MEETING

For the summer months, AA will be meeting  
via Zoom on Saturdays at 10:00am.

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87467618339?  
pwd=N1Niems0MG5vdk0reVZUTHlIWkgxZz09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87467618339?pwd=N1Niems0MG5vdk0reVZUTHlIWkgxZz09)

Please contact Tom Jacobs  
(tjstonegate@gmail.com) for meeting access.

## SENIOR CITIZENS

Senior Citizens will meet on Monday,  
July 10 at noon at the East 10th  
Pizza Ranch. Questions, please call Connie  
Parmley, 605-275-0030. Everyone welcome!

## BOOK CLUBS

The evening book club will meet Tuesday,  
July 18, at 7 pm at the church. We will be  
discussing Nightingale by Hannah.

The morning book club will meet Wednesday,  
July 19, at 9 am at the Bagel Boy on  
Minnesota Ave. We will be discussing The  
Nature of Fragile Things by Meissner.

## HOPE CIRCLE

Hope Circle will not meet for the summer. We  
resume in September. Have a great summer  
y'all!



DOYLES' UPDATE

## MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL

Summer is flying by and once the 4th of July hits, it's really feels like the summer is quickly fading. We do still have a few things going on before that though!

First, our middle school will have their final July event on the 16th. That is a Sunday and we will be getting together at 4:00 pm for some bowling and fun. Again, summer is always a great time to get to know other students as it is usually a smaller group and more relaxed. If you're student (going into 6th-9th grade) is free the 16th I would love for them to join us.

Rocky Mountain High is getting closer! Our group will be leaving Saturday the 22nd for a time away at the YMCA camp out there. Last time was so great and we are looking forward to another year out there. Thank you to all who have supported the youth group in making this trip affordable for those going!

Finally, we will be making up our event from June that was postponed in August. I was really looking forward to it so am excited to get a date put on the calendar. That will be set up by the end of next week so parents, keep your eye out for the information on that!

That's it for this week! If you have any questions send them my way.

Doyle

# PRAYER REQUESTS

## NEW PRAYER REQUESTS

### ONGOING PRAYER REQUESTS

- Larry Oostra (heart surgery recovery)
- Junella Wesselink's sister (cancer)
- Barb Klein
- Kathy Klein
- Kyle Wigg (liver transplant recovery)
- Ellen Nelson Garner (chronic airway disease)
- Leah Reuwsaat's mom, Marie
- Brian Frisbee (ongoing rehab)
- Aaralyn Van Der Sloot
- Angie Bonnema's dad
- Rick Norris (cancer)
- Pete & Jan Mellema's son-in-law, Chris
- Randi Van Der Sloot (cancer treatments)
- Irwin Van Leeuwen (cancer treatment)
- Steve Lee (awaiting lung transplant)
- Jenna Hoogendoorn (transplant recovery)
- Marcia Groeneweg's daughter, Rhonda (chemo)
- Kristy Mouw's sister-in-law, Mindy (cancer)
- Susan Bierwagen's uncle, Darrell (cancer)
- Jodie Jensen (cancer treatments/heart)
- Tracee Ellwein's dad

### CONDOLENCES

Our condolences go out to Darla Anderson for the recent passing of her friend, Vonnie.

Our condolences go out to Jane Newman for the passing of her father. Please keep the family in your prayers.

Our condolences go out to Roger Merges and his family on the recent death of his father.





HEATHER'S UPDATE

# KID'S MINISTRY

Hello Everyone!

VBS is less than a month away!!! Please sign up and invite others. June 24-27 from 6-7:45pm

VBS at Community is free and all are welcome. We have Sing N Sprout for infants and toddlers as well as VBS classes from Preschool through Grade 6. Older kids and all adults are invited to volunteer. We need many hands to make a great experience for the kids and it is very fun and rewarding.

We have a few key volunteer positions still waiting for you. Please consider signing up to help in the following ways:

- Preschool Class Leaders
- 3rd Grade Class Leader
- 5/6 Grade Class Leader

Our theme this year is Christmas in July, and I can't wait to hear the kids as they worship, see them soak in God's word as they enjoy their games and craft, and learn alongside them in Bible time. If you've never been to VBS before, please join us, even if you want to just watch the kids in action.

See you soon!

-Heather

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## THE GIVE

Check out **THE GIVE** wall in the lobby. It's a place to donate to local ministries.

**Ben Reifel Middle School:**  
games & puzzles

**The Banquet:**  
coffee

**Lunch Is Served:**  
Granola bars & applesauce/ encouraging notes

**Children's Home Society:**  
Swimming towels  
outdoor sports/rec equipment





LIZ'S UPDATE

# ADULT DISCIPLESHIP & WORSHIP

It's July, and you know what that means? VBS!

Heather has been working diligently to get all the final things ready for VBS, and now all we need is YOU! Let's check out the details:

VBS is July 24-27 from 6:00-7:45pm.

VBS is open to kids 3 years of age through going into 6th grade.

VBS is FREE!

Have you registered your kids, and your grandkids, and your nieces and nephews, and all their friends? If you haven't, you can jump online to our website to register, or you can fill out actual paperwork on Sunday morning in the lobby.

Are you able to volunteer? We'll need teachers, gamers, crafters, gift-wrappers, and general helpers for the week. Heather makes it incredibly simple to volunteer. Plus, I promise you'll be overflowing with joy and blessing. God shows up in powerful ways during VBS, and you won't want to miss it!

Our theme this year is Christmas in July, and I've been working out my character as worship leader. Trust me when I tell you there will be a lot of humor, several surprises, and some fantastic music. I really hope you all can join us and that we have a record-breaking year for attendance. Come to VBS! You'll be glad you did!

Have a great week, friends!

Liz

[Liz.Teel@communityrc.org](mailto:Liz.Teel@communityrc.org)

## SUMMER ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

The adult Sunday School class will continue to meet throughout the summer months.

Everyone welcome!  
Sundays @ 10:10am  
in the Chapel