



**National Day of Prayer- Thursday, May 4th**  
CHURCH WILL BE OPEN FROM 7AM-7PM FOR ANYONE WANTING TO COME PRAY IN THE CHAPEL  
7:00PM- PRAYER EVENT

## THE COMMUNICATOR

MAY 3, 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

Bishop Dudley House  
The Bishop Dudley Hospitality House offers a warm, safe and secure place to start the road back to a more stable, long-term way of living.

### CLYDE'S ARTICLE

The Wind! I guess that is the headline for the week. We sure do get a lot of that. I do believe spring is getting here and I have heard this week might let us enjoy some of that. I also know that a lot of our farmer friends are in the fields, so that is usually a sign that spring is here. It will get here. It always does.

This is National Day of Prayer week, and as Liz announced on Sunday, morning, the church will be open all day long on Thursday if you would like to stop and spend some time in the chapel praying. We will have a list of things to pray about and some scripture there as well. That evening at 7pm, I am going to do a time of praying together along with some of time of reading through some key Bible verses. Nothing fancy, just a time set aside to gather and put our minds around God's work around us and praying for people who could really use a little extra. If you would like to join me, it starts at 7pm.

This coming Sunday morning we are going to be taking time to install our new Elders and Deacons to their new positions. We have a great list of gentlemen who have been chosen, and we want to pray over them as our leaders and allow the Spirit to move in their lives. It is an important step in the process and one that we do each year.

Also, this coming Sunday, we are going to take time to say thank-you to Sheri Brouwer for her years of dedicated service in our nursery as the director these past 12 years. She has seen a lot of changes in that ministry over those years. It has grown into its own ministry and that change has taken time and effort on her part to bring all those new things together. The days of having a couple of people watch kids has been changed into a whole group of people working together to do that in a much more intentional way of caring for families and their children. She would be the first to say that we have all learned a great deal in those 12 years, and she has set a foundation that we want to build on in the coming years. We are presently interviewing for that position and we have some great people who are willing to keep it all going in a good direction. Thank you Sheri for your heart for children and for your time spent loving on children. It mattered!

We have been looking for an accompanist for the 8am service and I think we might have that person found. I have had a couple of interested folks and it looks like we are going to get that done. I know our 8am folks will be very pleased to hear that. Musicians are a valuable resource and not always easy to find. Thanks everyone for praying about this and I am excited for those who share their gifts. I would still encourage anyone who is thinking about that to talk to me. We can always use folks to fill in.

This Sunday's message will be focused on all the distractions we experience that take so much of our life's attention. Many of those things are necessary and so many of them are good things, but a good thing can get the best of us. Our treasure can become lost in the business of life and before you know it...the God treasure we need and depend on becomes forgotten. How do we avoid this and how can we make the kind of change that will reset our focus? These are not simple questions to answer. We'll talk more on Sunday, have a great week!

I AM THE  
*resurrection*  
AND THE  
**LIFE**

John 11:25



## GRADUATION PICTURES

We'll celebrate our graduates on Sunday, May 21st!  
Parents- if you have a grad that you'd like to highlight,  
please send a photo to doyle  
(doyle.burnside@communityrc.org) by May 17th.

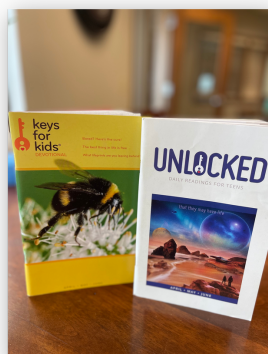
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**THANK  
YOU!**

We are so thankful to Sheri Brouwer  
for serving as our Nursery Director  
for the last 12 years.

She is resigning at the end  
of May and we'd like to celebrate her.  
Join us on Sunday, May 7th to thank  
her for all she has done in the nursery.  
And what's a celebration without  
donut holes!

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Pick up your free devotional booklets in the library anytime.  
We carry three devotions (Today, Words of Hope, Upper Room)  
in both regular and LARGE print. We also have devotions for  
both kids (Keys for Kids) and teens (Unlocked).

## THIS WEEK

### Wednesday, May 3

6:00-7:00pm- Meal for High School  
Youth Group  
7:00-8:30- High School Youth Group

### Thursday, May 4

7:00am-7:00pm- National Day of Prayer  
7:00pm- Prayer Event at church

### Saturday, May 6

7:00am- Prayer Ministry  
10:00AM- AA

### Sunday, May 7

8:00, 9:00 & 10:45AM- Worship Service  
10:05am- Sunday School

### Monday, May 8

Noon- Senior Citizens (E. Pizza Ranch)  
7:25pm & 8:30pm- Church Softball @  
Sherman Park (Diamond D)  
7:00pm-DMV

### Tuesday, May 9

9:30-11am- Play Group

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### AA BIG BOOK MEETING

AA meeting via Zoom or in person at the  
church on Saturday mornings at 10am.  
Please contact Tom Jacobs  
(tjstonegate@gmail.com) for meeting  
access.

### SENIOR CITIZENS

Senior Citizens will meet on Monday,  
May 8 at noon at the East 10th  
Pizza Ranch. Questions, please call Connie  
Parmley, 605-275-0030. Everyone welcome!

### BOOK CLUBS

The morning book club will meet on  
Wednesday, May 17, at 9 am at the Bagel  
Boy on Minnesota Ave. We will be discussing  
The Silent Patient.

The evening book club will meet on  
Tuesday, May 16, at 7 pm at the church. We  
will be discussing And Then There Were  
None.

### HOPE CIRCLE

Hope Circle will meet on May 16th at  
7:00pm. Jeanie is hostess and Helen has the  
lesson.



## NURSERY COORDINATORS

**HIRING NURSERY COORDINATORS FOR SUNDAY MORNINGS AND WEDNESDAY NIGHTS.**

**THIS POSITION HAS FLEXIBLE HOURS AND IS PAID HOURLY.**

**IF THIS JOB INTERESTS YOU, PLEASE LET US KNOW BY EMAILING: [HEATHER.DEWIT@COMMUNITYRC.ORG](mailto:HEATHER.DEWIT@COMMUNITYRC.ORG)**

## 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

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## FINANCES

Sunday, April 30, 2023

General: \$8,421  
Vision: \$1,715  
Missions: \$175

General YTD: \$279,667  
Vision YTD: \$25,216  
Vision Account Balance: \$31,927

## PRAYER REQUESTS

### NEW PRAYER REQUESTS

- Kyle Wigg (liver transplant recovery)
- Marv Sturing (colon surgery/cancer)

### ONGOING PRAYER REQUESTS

- Ellen Nelson Garner (chronic airway disease)
- Leah Reuwsaat's mom, Marie
- Joe Johnson (traveling to China)
- Verle Valentine (hip surgery recovery)
- Brian Frisbee (ongoing rehab)
- Aaralyn Van Der Sloom
- Carrie Valentine (fractured ankle/foot)
- Lexi Valentine (auto-immune disease)
- Angie Bonnema's dad (whipple surgery)
- Rick Norris (cancer)
- Cherri Price (ongoing chemo)
- Glenda Van Den Hoek
- Nicole Ryan (deployed for 6 months)
- Karen Johnson (heart issues)
- Pete & Jan Mellema's son-in-law, Chris (surgery recovery)
- Randi Van Der Sloom (cancer treatments)
- Irwin Van Leeuwen (cancer treatment)
- Steve Lee (lung transplant postponed)
- 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)
- Darla Anderson's friend, Vonnice (cancer)
- Tracee Ellwein's dad (skin & muscle graft)
- Harvey & Karen Odens' great niece, Lydia (cancer)

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**REQUESTS FOR MEMBERSHIP & BAPTISM...**

**If you would like to request membership or baptism, please  
e-mail the church office at [connect@communityrc.org](mailto:connect@communityrc.org).  
We are doing individual family baptism after the 10:45am  
service until further notice.**

**NEED GROCERIES? OR GAS?**

**Gift cards for HyVee, Fareway & Sunshine can be purchased  
every Sunday morning at the coffee bar. 5% of that purchase  
will go toward our Vision Fund at church.**

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