



THE COMMUNICATOR

NOV. 22, 2023

Weekly Calendar

NOV 22 - NOV 29

Wednesday, Nov. 23

7:00pm- Thanksgiving Eve Service
(No Wednesday night meal)

Saturday, Nov. 25

7:00am- Fresh Encounter
10:00AM- AA (via Zoom)
See details page 2 for details

Sunday, Nov. 26

8:00, 9:00 & 10:45AM- Worship Service
10:10am- Sunday School
4:30pm- Choir

Monday, Nov. 27

7:00pm- Men's Bible Study

Tuesday, Nov. 28

9:30-11am- Play Group

Wednesday, Nov. 29

5:30-6:30pm- Meal (Soup)
6:30-7:30pm-
Midweek Classes for Children,
Middle School Youth Group & Adults
(Nursery also provided)
7:30-8:30pm-
High School Youth Group

CLYDE'S ARTICLE

It's Thanksgiving week everyone! I hope you are all able to spend a little time with your families this week. I know that many of you will be traveling out of town...be safe! Our family will gather in O'Neill NE on Thursday for our annual gathering there. The weather will be ok to travel as that is always a part of the late fall planning. It has been a very nice November in that way. I have been able to get back to Burke a few more times this fall, hunting season, than in past years and I know my mom has enjoyed that. (me too). I might even try to get back there one more time this week depending on how things go to give it one more try. I have one picked out!

I want to say a word about the hard work our choir has been putting in on Sunday afternoons. Sunday night was a great rehearsal. We put in some good work that evening. You must get the songs learned at a certain level and then you can begin to really put some of the more detailed work into those pieces. They are doing an excellent job this year and it truly is going to be an enjoyable day for the church when we do that Sunday concert. There will be music everywhere that morning. You'll get to sing as well. I love Christmas as you all know, and I do enjoy that Sunday very much. Thanks, choir, for your efforts. You are doing such a fine job!

Heather continues to put the final parts together for the children's Christmas program coming up that first Sunday in December. It is a lot of work putting all those pieces together and then getting the kids here all at the same time. People are busy running here and there and that makes for some interesting ways to plan and get things done. She is working hard as are the kids. Kids and Christmas...can't really go wrong on that combination!

I am singing in this year's Christmas at the Cathedral concert as well. I do enjoy that challenge. There are several of us from Community in that choir. It is some hard work to be sure with memorizing all the numbers, but it is one of the finest concert settings I have had the privilege to do in all my years of singing and doing music. If you have not seen one of those, I would highly encourage you to go online and purchase a ticket. You will not be disappointed. The program this year is one of the best to be sure. This year's theme is going to bring the season to life. I am getting excited to do it.

We will finish the series on the 23rd Psalm this coming Sunday. It has been a good study of this familiar set of verses. This week it ends on such an uplifting set of words. David is expressing a deep joy of his relationship with his God and the deep point of knowing that he will have God in his life forever. There is much more to say about this. We'll talk more on Sunday. Have a great week!

THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 22 | 7:00PM

Upcoming Dates

Wednesday, Nov. 22

7:00pm- Thanksgiving Eve Service

Sunday, December 3

3:33pm- Kid's Christmas Program

Sunday, December 10

9:00 & 10:45am- Christmas Choir Concert

Sunday, Dec. 24

9:00 & 10:45am-

Special Christmas Eve Communion Services
with music by the Teels (both identical services)
No 8am Service

Joy Circle Women

December 14th @ 11:30am

All Day Cafe at the Western Mall

Let's enjoy lunch together to celebrate Christmas!
RSVP to Cleone 261-9504 or Char 366-1341 by Dec. 7

Packing Event for CRU

Saturday, December 9th

9:00am at church

We need a group of 15-20 people to help pack some bags of outreach materials for the Day of Outreach which takes place during the annual Cru Winter Conference. All supplies will already be at church, we just need to have volunteers pack around 700 baggies.

Email Holli (connect@communityrc.org) if you can help!

Suppers 6

Our first Suppers 6 groups met in October and we had a wonderful time getting to renew with old friends and make new ones. We are giving you an opportunity to sign up for January or February or both. If you have already signed our original list, you DO NOT need to sign again. A sign up sheet will be available at The Link. Please join us for some fun and fellowship. If you would like to host a dinner, please indicate on the sign up sheet.

For more info:

Cheryl Weerheim- 940-8413

Deb Teunissen- 359-6375

Elaine Deelstra- 351-4202

ONGOING MINISTRIES

FRESH ENCOUNTER

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

Lunch Is Served

AA BIG BOOK MEETING

AA will be meeting via Zoom on Saturdays at 10:00am.

<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, December 11 at noon at the East 10th Pizza Ranch. Questions, please call Connie Parmley, 605-275-0030. Everyone welcome!



Sponsor a Child
AT COMMUNITY'S PARTNER SCHOOL WITH
Mission-Haiti
\$200 PER YEAR- ELEMENTARY
\$325 PER YEAR- HIGH SCHOOL

THIS PROVIDES EDUCATION, DAILY MEAL,
AND HEALTH BASICS!
(AMOUNT CHANGES TO \$325 IN GRADE 7)
OPPORTUNITIES ANNUALLY TO PURCHASE
SPECIAL STUDENT GIFTS

STOP AT THE LINK IN THE LOBBY OR
CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE

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Children's Choir for the Adult Christmas Choir Concert

We need children to help with the
Christmas Choir concert!

Check out Liz's article for more details.
If your kids are willing to sing, please email Liz
(liz.teel@communityrc.org). Here are the details for
rehearsals and performances:

Rehearsals: Sunday, November 29, 4:15-4:45pm
Sunday, December 3, 4:30-4:45 (Right after the kids'
Christmas Program)

Performances:
Sunday, December 10, 9:00 and 10:45

PRAYER REQUESTS

NEW PRAYER REQUESTS

- John Thornton (A-fib)

ONGOING PRAYER REQUESTS

- Dave Mayer's brother, James
- Ann Munce (shoulder surgery)
- Cleone and Elaine's sister, Joanne (surgery recovery)
- Rick Hoogendoorn (pancreatic cancer)
- Carolyn Odens (back surgery)
- Ty Vuong (motorcycle accident)
- Kindsey (broken femur)
- Arlan Boersma, Jan's brother
- Laurie Long (surgery recovery)
- Linda McCann (surgery recovery)
- Dalton Coffey (broken arm)
- Joyce Tarrell (recovery from car accident)
- Randi Van Der Sloom (cancer treatments)
- Carrie Valentine (ankle surgery)
- Holli Jans' dad, Milt (cancer)
- Junella Wesselink's sister (cancer)
- Irwin Van Leeuwen (cancer treatment)
- Kyle Wigg (liver transplant recovery)
- Ellen Nelson Garner (chronic airway disease)
- Brian Frisbee (ongoing rehab)
- Aaralyn Van Der Sloom
- Angie Bonnema's dad
- Rick Norris (cancer)
- Pete & Jan Mellema's son-in-law, Chris
- Steve Lee (awaiting lung transplant)
- Jenna Hoogendoorn (transplant recovery)
- Kristy Mouw's sister-in-law, Mindy (cancer)
- Susan Bierwagen's uncle, Darrell (cancer)
- Jodie Jensen (cancer treatments/heart)
- Tracee Ellwein's dad



LIZ'S UPDATE

ADULT DISCIPLESHIP & WORSHIP

The Holiday schedule is upon us! Read on for important information for the next several weeks of church ministries, activities, dates, and times. I'll try to include this info in all of my articles through the end of the years.

November 22, 7:00pm – Thanksgiving Eve Service

November 26, 4:15-4:45pm – Children's Choir rehearsal with Liz and the adult choir

November 29, 5:30-7:30pm – Regular Mid-Week

December 3, 4:30-4:45pm – Final Children's Choir rehearsal with Liz the church choir

December 4, 7:00-8:00pm – WD40 Christmas Party – All women are welcome!

There's no need to RSVP to this event. If you want to come, please bring a consumable gift for the gift exchange. A consumable is a gift that can be used up like ChapStick, paper towels, or a bag of flour. Be creative! And if you want to bring a plate of goodies to share, please do so. We meet in the fellowship hall at church.

December 6, 5:30pm – Last Mid-Week of 2023

December 10, 9:00 and 10:45 – Christmas Choir Concerts (with the children's choir)

December 24, 9:00 and 10:45am – Christmas Eve Communion Services

December 31, 8:00, 9:00, and 10:45 – Regular Services Resume

January 3, 2024, 5:30pm – Regular Mid-Week Resumes

Have a blessed Thanksgiving Week!

Liz
Liz.Teel@communityrc.org



CONSISTORY NOTES

NOVEMBER 9, 2023

Attendance: Tanner Corbin, Ross Larson, Tom Van Roekel, Grant Boltjes, Ken Hartzell, Eric Van Donge, Sean Fantroy, Mary Burggraaf, Russ Hoogendoorn, Tom Bosch, Stan Deelstra, Harvey Odens, Darren Ellwein, Mark Theisen, Tyler Wolf, Lyle Pudwill, Clyde Teel

Opening Devotion – Psalm 32:7, “In Tune with the Master” and opening prayer - Sean Fantroy

MSA to approve the October consistory meeting minutes.

MSA to approve the October financial report.

Thank you to Doug Harms for cutting down the tree growth in the retention area.

Thank you to Russ Hoogendoorn and Arlan Burggraaf for getting the stop signs placed at the parking lot exits.

The tuck pointing project is completed.

Reports by Doyle, Liz and Heather were reviewed.

Grant reported on the Kingdom Network meeting. Items of interest the national/international meeting will be held in Drury, Indiana, April 24-26, 2024. Dues for Kingdom Network were set at \$7.00 for the national dues and \$13.00 for the regional hub; for a total of \$20.00 per member. New website is KingdomNetworkUSA.org.

Bringer Bunch needs a few more people to volunteer. This group is to determine how to market Community to the neighborhood.

Closing prayer – Pastor Clyde

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Burggraaf

WELCOME

We welcome these new members
to Community!

Jim Kenaston
Cory & Laura Lesnar

FINANCES

Sunday, November 19, 2023

General: \$14,289
Vision: \$685
Missions: \$935
Wednesday Night: \$359

General YTD: \$831,919
Vision YTD: \$65,608
Vision Account Balance: \$20,480

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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.
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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