



THE COMMUNICATOR

NOVEMBER 16, 2022

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

Angel Tree reaches out to the children of prisoners and their families, helping to meet their physical, emotional, and spiritual needs through Christ.

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CLYDE'S ARTICLE

Oh November! We are seeing winter come a little early. Maybe it is just a little taste and then it will soften. I'll go with that for now as the cold has been a little much. It does remind us that the holidays are just around the corner. Thanksgiving comes next week already. I am not sure I am ready for all of that, but it is here none the less. It will be good to get families together and share some good times together. We all do enjoy that. I have my mom out of the hospital now, and all that seems to be going very well right now, so we are going to enjoy our Thanksgiving with an extra bit of thanks this year. I am aware that there are going to be families who are going to be sad this year during this season and that does really set our minds to thinking. Life is not always a celebration. We are believing for a comfort for those folks. May God be near them.

We had a great choir rehearsal this past Sunday afternoon! I am so pleased with the effort of those fine people. It is a wonderful group of singers, and as always, we are getting excited to bring the songs and sounds of Christmas to our church family. This is a long tradition in our church. Christmas seems to be a good time to do all of that "stuff". Choirs should sing and kids should giggle with excitement! We do our best to bring a little joy into everyone's life and maybe help get you all in the Christmas spirit. Great job choir! Let's finish strong now and set a good tone for the upcoming concert. We only have a couple of rehearsals left. Now we prepare for the fun part! Sharing the gift! There is something right about that!

Once again, I am singing in the Cathedral choir. I have mentioned each year just how much I do enjoy that. I can just sing. I don't have any responsibilities other than to sing. This year our church is hosting the rehearsals in our facility which has been fun. Lots of folks who have never been out here before are getting to see a little bit of who we are. I like that. Christmas is my favorite season of the year and this just helps give it a nice ring to my soul. This year's Cathedral choir is large, with nearly 80 singers. That is an amazing sound. 80 voices is an experience! Those concerts are coming up in December. I look forward to that each year. If you get a chance to go, I would highly recommend it. Ask anyone who has gone before, and they will tell you, it is an awesome experience.

The message this coming Sunday will finish our series "On Faith". I have been stressing the point that God is not silent, and He is not hidden. We need the presence of Jesus to move our way through this difficult world. We cannot do it on our own. I am seeking the evident glory of God each day. I want to finish this series with a word about "tomorrow". We never know what the next day will hold, but we don't have to live in fear. As a matter of fact, we can live each day with the joyful expectation that tomorrow is already known by the One who loves us more than we can ever know. He knows what is coming and just what I need to get through it! Jesus already knows what I need. Do I live with that kind of confidence? Do I trust that word? We'll talk more on Sunday. Have a great week!



THIS WEEK

Wednesday, November 16

5:30-6:30pm- Midweek Meal-Pizza
6:30-7:30pm- Midweek Classes for Children,
M.S. Youth Group & Adults
7:30-8:30pm- High School Youth Group

Saturday, November 19

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

Sunday, November 20

8:00, 9:00 & 10:45AM- Sunday Services
10:05am- Sunday School
4:30pm- Choir

Monday, November 21

7:00-8:00PM- The Wired Word

Tuesday, November 22

9:30-10:30am- Play Group

Wednesday, November 23

7:00pm- Thanksgiving Eve Service
No Midweek meal

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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, December 12 at noon at the East 10th Pizza Ranch. Questions, please call Connie Parmley, 605-275-0030. Everyone welcome!

LIZ'S UPDATE

ADULT DISCIPLESHIP & WORSHIP

Ladies, please remember to RSVP to me by November 30 for our upcoming Christmas party with the WD <40> group! This party is open to all women. Details are below:

WD <40> Lipstick Christmas Party

- (No need to dress up but do wear bright lipstick! 😊)
- Monday, December 5, 7:00-8:00pm
- If you'd like to bring a plate of goodies to share, please do!
- We will be doing a little gift exchange, but I'll provide all the gifts!
- If you want to donate a gift for the exchange (\$10 or less) please get the gift to me by November 30.
- All women are welcome!
- Please RSVP to me by November 30 so I have enough gifts for everyone!

And as I mentioned last week, I'll be sure to include the holiday schedule in my article from now until the first of the year. Please take note of these special holiday services and times as well as modifications for Mid-Week. And remember to check out Heather's article for the children's holiday schedule.

Holiday Schedule

Wednesday, November 23

Thanksgiving Eve Service 7:00 (No Mid-Week)

Sunday, December 4

Christmas Choir Concerts 9:00am and 10:45am

Monday, December 5

WD <40> Christmas Party 7:00pm (RSVP to Liz!)

Wednesday, December 14 – NO Mid-Week

Wednesday, December 21 – NO Mid-Week

Saturday, December 24

Christmas Eve Communion Services 3:00pm, 4:00pm, and 5:00pm

Sunday, December 25

Christmas Morning Service 10:00am

Wednesday, December 28 – NO Mid-Week

Sunday, January 1

Regular Services 8:00am, 9:00 am, 10:45am

Wednesday, January 4

Regular Mid-Week activities resume 5:30-7:30pm



And of course, we can't forget our upcoming ministries for this week!

Upcoming Ministries

Wednesday, November 16, 5:30-7:30pm

Mid-Week

Sunday, November 20, 10:05am

Sunday School

Sunday November 20, 4:30-6:00pm

Church Choir Rehearsal. (We only have 2 rehearsals left!)

Have a great week, everyone!

Liz

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DOYLES' UPDATE

MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL



We are officially entering the season where both Wednesday's and Sunday's have a few off days with Thanksgiving and Christmas coming around. I wanted to make sure to get those dates out to you and highlight a few others as we near the end of 2022 together. For Midweek, we only have two weeks left together after this week. November 30th and December 7th. For Sunday School we have three more weeks together including this Sunday. It's hard for me to believe that until I remind myself Thanksgiving is already next week!

With the reminder of our regular nights together, I also want to highlight our middle and high school Christmas celebration. This year, we are going to change things up completely and celebrate the end of the year at Thunder Road. That will be Wednesday, December 14th from 6:00 p.m – 8:00 p.m. We will have some fun Christmas games planned while also enjoying all that the new indoor section of Thunder Road has to offer. I will have invitations for students ready to go by this week so they can keep that date in mind. I absolutely love this time of year and am looking forward to celebrating that with the youth group coming up here quickly!

One final save the date for those who love to plan ahead! On February 24th – 26th, we will be offering our second "Radix" retreat. This is a winter retreat for both middle and high school students and is partnered with a few other churches here in Sioux Falls. We will be heading back to Inspiration Hills this winter and I am really looking forward for another year. So keep those dates on the radar as more information and registration will be coming out in December.

That is it for this week. If you have any questions regarding the student ministry here at Community, please reach out anytime.

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PRAYER REQUESTS

NEW PRAYER REQUESTS

- Pat Koll (radiation treatments)

ONGOING PRAYER REQUESTS

- Irwin Van Leeuwen (cancer treatment)
- Steve Lee (lung transplant postponed)
- Gracia Harmsen (unexplained pain)
- Marv Sturing (scans for cancer)
- Barb Klein
- Lucy Teel
- Elaine Deelstra
- Joe Johnson
- Jenna Hoogendoorn (transplant recovery)
- Pete & Jan Mellema's son-in-law, Chris (cancer)
- Tami Boyle's dad (pancreatic/liver cancer)
- Melanie Oden's uncle, Bruce (cancer)
- Marcia Groeneweg's daughter, Rhonda (chemo)
- Kristy Mouw's sister-in-law, Mindy (cancer)
- Brian Frisbee (long-term stroke rehab)
- Susan Bierwagen's uncle, Darrell (cancer)
- Lexi Valentine (auto-immune disease)
- Randi Van Der Sloot (cancer treatments)
- Jodie Jensen (cancer treatments/heart)
- Darla Anderson's friend, Vonnie (cancer)
- Tracee Ellwein's dad (skin & muscle graft)
- Ellen Nelson (chronic airway disease)
- Harvey & Karen Odens' great niece, Lydia (cancer)

CONDOLENCES

Our condolences go out to Jenna Hoogendoorn who lost her brother-in-law, Scott. Please keep Scott's wife, Rachel, and their 4 kids in your prayers.

FINANCES

Sunday, November 13, 2022

General: \$11,449
Vision: \$235
Missions: \$280
Wednesday Night: \$267

General YTD: \$819,241
Vision YTD: \$61,891
Vision Account Balance: \$29,962



Hi Everyone!

We'll take a little break from Midweek on 11/23/22 so we can enjoy the Thanksgiving Eve service, so there won't be activities for kids that night. I hope you have a wonderful Thanksgiving. There is NO SUNDAY SCHOOL on November 27 to give our Sunday School teachers and volunteers a weekend off. We'll jump back into things again and fit some fun and learning in before our Christmas break begins on 12/14/22. I really hope you are all able to find some peace and joy in a season that can get a bit too rushed. That's what I'm hoping for as well.

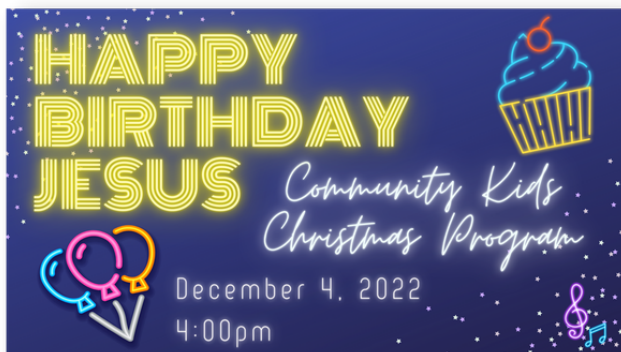
Christmas Program Important Information:

- I handed out the speaking roles to K-5 kids who requested them. If your child wanted a speaking role and you haven't seen their part come home, please send me a quick email so I can get it to you. Please follow the instructions on the sheet your child was given as soon as possible and before 11/20/22.
- The songs for the K-5 kids and preschoolers are all on our web page. <https://communityrc.org/children> The K-5 kids all have a group speaking part by grade level which is also on the web page.
- We're having a Birthday Party for Jesus! The program is at 4pm on December 4. Preschool kids will arrive around 3:45pm. K-5 kids will arrive at 1pm on that day and stay until the program starts.
- I'll need some adult helpers for this as well so please save the date and plan to lend a hand. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080f4caciaa2eabfb6-christmas> I need some help with the preschoolers, some help during the day, and some help with costumes and snacks. Can you join the fun?

Big thank you to everyone who sent items for Operation Christmas Child, packed boxes, or helped with that process. It is a big project that makes a big impact. Thank you also to the people who donated funds for shipping the boxes. That makes it possible for Community to do many more boxes which means more kids around the world receive the gift and God's word!

See you soon!

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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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