



THE COMMUNICATOR

OCT 25, 2023

Weekly Calendar

OCT 25 - NOV 1

Wednesday, Oct. 25

5:30-6:30pm- Meal (Chicken Salad/
Taco Salad)

6:30-7:30pm-

Midweek Classes for Children,
Middle School Youth Group & Adults
(Nursery also provided)

7:30-8:30pm-

High School Youth Group

Saturday, October 28

7:00am- Fresh Encounter

10:00AM- AA (via Zoom)

See details page 2 for details

Sunday, Oct. 29

MISSIONS MORNING

8:00, 9:00 & 10:45AM- Worship Service

10:10am- Sunday School

4:30pm- Choir

Monday, Oct. 30

7:00pm- Men's Bible Study

Tuesday, Oct. 31

9:30-11am- Play Group

Wednesday, Nov. 1

5:30-6:30pm- Meal (Lasagna)

6:30-7:30pm-

Midweek Classes for Children,
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High School Youth Group

CLYDE'S ARTICLE

The fall colors are so vivid right now. I lament the fact that the leaves on many of those trees fall so quickly. One day they are there, and the next day they are gone. Some of the trees do hold on for a good length of time and they are beautiful. There is a crab apple tree around town that turns such an amazing red that is hard to describe. I don't have one of those in my yard, but I wish I did. They are amazing. God has done an amazing job with all this painting in the fall. Enjoy it! Sounds like our weekend is going to remind us of another season that is approaching, but that's all I will say about that right now.

This coming Sunday is Mission Sunday. There will be all kinds of tables in the lobby. Lots of tables and lots of friends visiting with us. It is a day to celebrate all the things we support and differences each of these groups makes around the world and right in our own backyards. It is a great day to have them here with us. Take a little time, if you can, and visit with our friends who will be joining us. They have good stories to share.

I sent in motion an idea on Sunday morning that I will continue to encourage in the coming weeks. The Bringer Bunch is a group I would love to form that will be in the business of figuring out the many ways we can connect to the growing community around us. I just know there are people in our church who have a passion for this, and they are the kind of people who are not just idea people, they are doers. Get'r'don-ers! I think you know what I mean. What I am learning about reaching communities, is that it is not one-size-fits all kind of planning. The main idea is that you make a connection. You do that anyway you can. Let them know you are there and make a connection. The rest is up to them. I am praying for someone to get this ball rolling. I am waiting! Go God Go!

I have already had some great stories about those cards we did on Sunday. I'm telling you; God will use this. He already has. Have you filled one out? Do you have a name? I'm not giving up on this and I'm going to be asking often. Be Bringers, Community! You have a great gift to share. Jesus is a good gift to share. Live it out for the world to see. Pray about it that God will move in the hearts of those who need Him. Let's see where this goes. It is exciting to think about!

Our choir is working each week for their concert in December. We have great singers, and they are on this! The concert is a collection of very familiar Christmas songs we all know, as well as some new pieces of music that are challenging to our singers, but in the end they communicate a great message in a beautiful way. That's what musicians do. We have lots of them. I love that!

Sunday, we start a new brief 4-part series on the 23rd Psalm. Those words are so very familiar to us. The 23rd Psalm is read more often than almost any other passage. What does it say to us? What was David the writer of these words trying to say? Have we missed some things about those words? We'll talk more on Sunday. Have a great week!

Upcoming Dates

Mark Your Calendar!

Sunday, Oct. 29

8:45-10:50am- Missions Morning- See the Good

It's a morning to celebrate the good that's happening around us through local missions.

There will be 18 ministries set up in the lobby.

(We'll be serving donut holes too 😊)

Wednesday, Nov. 22

7:00pm- Thanksgiving Eve Service



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**

Angel Tree

..... **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, November 13 at noon at the East 10th Pizza Ranch. Questions, please call Connie Parmley, 605-275-0030. Everyone welcome!

..... **BOOK CLUB**

The evening book club will meet Tuesday, Nov. 14 (Notice 2nd Tuesday this month!!), at 7 pm at the church. We will be discussing *Memory Keeper's Daughter*.

The morning book club will meet Wed., Nov. 15, at 9 am at the Bagel Boy on Minnesota Ave. We will be discussing *Long Way Down*.

PACK A SHOEBOX



BOXES DUE NOV. 12

Pick up a box in the lobby and return by Sunday, November 12th

DOYLES' UPDATE

MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL



The Corn Maze was this last weekend and like the last few years, we got a little rain again! I am amazed at how big the corn maze truly is and it was really obvious this year. I felt like I only saw 7 students while going through maze and the corn/rain drown out noise! Still, it continues to be a great event for new connections to be made and a chance for students to bring along friends.

Coming up in November is our high school retreat. We will be heading back to Swan Lake to find time to rest and be still. Our fall retreat is always more relaxed in schedule and activities as students are in or just coming out of a season of being so busy. The weekend will look into the book of Esther and speak on the invisible hand of God and His work/purpose in our life. We will be leaving Friday night, November 17th and will get back Sunday morning, November 19th, before Sunday School. For any high school student who would like to join us on our retreat, registration is due on November 10th. You can email me for additional information, questions or for the registration form.

That is it for this week. If you have any questions about the youth ministry here at Community please feel free to send them my way!

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REMINDER

Swan Lake High School Retreat

Nov. 17-19th

Registration due Nov. 10

PRAYER REQUESTS

NEW PRAYER REQUESTS

- Rick Hoogendoorn (pancreatic cancer)

ONGOING PRAYER REQUESTS

- Carolyn Odens (back surgery)
- Ty Vuong (motorcycle accident)
- Kindsey (broken femur)
- Arlan Boersma, Jan's brother
- Laurie Long (surgery recovery)
- Linda McCann (surgery recovery)
- Glenda VanDenHoek (hand surgery)
- Dalton Coffey (broken arm)
- Joyce Tarrell (recovery from car accident)
- Randi Van Der Sloot (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 Sloot
- 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

THANK YOU

Stuart Schouten wishes to thank all who are praying for him as he adjusts to Parkinson's Disease. He has seen a significant reduction of the symptoms and will be completing 30 hours of therapy this week. Thank you for your prayers and concerns.

FINANCES

Sunday, Oct. 22, 2023

General: \$18,778
Vision: \$305
Missions: \$460
Wednesday Night: \$279

General YTD: \$751,073
Vision YTD: \$58,112
Vision Account Balance: \$20,378



HEATHER'S UPDATE

KID'S MINISTRY

Hi Everyone!

I don't have anything new or different to share with you, so here's an update of what we're up to in Kids Ministry right now:

Midweek: "Bee a Bringer" series with an Andrew lesson last Wednesday and a "God's word is sweeter than honey" lesson this week. We're also working on the Christmas Program!

Sunday School:

Preschool: Those two classes just finished Noah and made rainbows. Next week, watch for lions!

Kindergarten: Just wrapped up Noah and will learn about Jacob and a ladder

1st Grade: Just finished Joseph and his colorful coat and next will learn about Moses

2nd Grade: Learning about Moses...baby in a basket done and on to a burning bush

3rd Grade: Just learned about Joseph and his brothers and next up- Gideon.

4th Grade: Learned about the 10 commandments and moving to David and Goliath

5th Grade: Grow! Parables, scattered seeds, fellow workers, God's field

Just a reminder: If your K-5 child is planning to participate in the Christmas Program with a speaking part, practice is at 6 on Wednesdays. Dance is at 6:30 and drums at 7pm every Wednesday.

See you soon!

Heather DeWit

Children's Ministry

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CHECK OUT WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE NURSERY!



"BEE" A BRINGER

MISSIONS SUNDAY

See the Good Around Us

Donut Holes this Sunday!

SUNDAY, OCT. 29TH

Join us, next Sunday, as we celebrate 18 local, regional & international ministries.

They will have tables set up in the lobby. Please take some time on Sunday to welcome them and learn more about their specific mission. SEE THE GOOD HAPPENING ALL AROUND!



The operation Christmas Child table is set up in the lobby!
Grab a box, fill it, and bring it back by

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12

MISSIONS ATTENDING THIS YEAR:

- Arise Ukraine
- Center of Hope
- Children's Home Society
- Community Outreach
- Hope Haven
- Words of Hope
- Mission Haiti
- Conda DeVries-CRU
- Jon Harmsen- CRU
- Family Visitation Center
- Bishop Dudley House
- The Banquet
- Gideons
- LSS mentoring
- Call to Freedom
- McCrossan Boys Ranch
- Union Gospel Mission
- Operation Christmas Child
- Lifeline Children Services
- Volunteers of America

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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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