



THE COMMUNICATOR

SEPT 6, 2023

Weekly Calendar

SEPT 6 - SEPT 13

Wednesday, Sept. 6

6:00-8:00pm- High School
Youth Group

Saturday, Sept. 9

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

Sunday, Sept. 10

8:00, 9:00 & 10:45AM- Worship Service
10:10am- Adult Sunday School
11:45am- 2:00pm- Block Party
5:30-7:30pm- M.S. & H.S Event

Tuesday, Sept. 12

9:30-11am- Play Group

Wednesday, Sept. 13

6:00-8:00pm- High School
Youth Group

**KICKOFF
SUNDAY
BLOCK
PARTY**

**SUNDAY
SEPTEMBER 10
11:45-2:00pm**

CLYDE'S ARTICLE

We have arrived at the month of September! It was a very warm beginning of the month, but it sounds as though things are going to start cooling down. The upper 90's was a bit much for many of us this past weekend. The two weddings I had went just fine, but it was a little warm, shall we say. September means that fall is not too far away and if you check around you can actually see some of those early trees are already changing just a bit. I'm not sure I am ready for that. The crops are turning as well. The seasons do change. It is one of the things I enjoy about South Dakota.

September also means the church activities began to kick into high gear. This coming Sunday is our annual "Block Party" with inflatables, games, food, and a fun day for everyone. That event starts at noon after the 3rd service. I hope you will make plans to stick around for that. You will no doubt meet some new faces because we have a few new ones from over the summer. It will be good day! Join us for that!

I have a couple of other items to share as well. With the fall being here, Sunday school is a couple of weeks away. We are still short several teachers for that. I know that summer is busy, and people have been out and about, but we need to look at that and get that all done. Heather will be around on Sunday morning if you have questions. The new series I will be doing has a great deal say about our investing in the spiritual upbringing of each other. We can make a difference in the lives of those kids, folks. We need your help in this! Go Community Go!

MidWeek starts in about 4 weeks as well, and we are planning some great classes for adults to be a part of. It's family night! That means meals and classes, connecting, and some great church time in the middle of each and every week. I hope you are planning on being a part of that. Bring a friend! Again, that is a great way to meet and connect with new people. A great way for your kids to connect with church friends, and a great meal to share around the tables. It's good stuff!

September means choir is not far off. I hope you are thinking about that. Liz and I are planning a new program for the coming year. We will need singers. I know people are busy, but we have a lot of potential in this area, and we know we have never fully seen what it can be. What I mean is that every year there are lots of singers that we miss. I know...life is busy, and I do appreciate how very complicated one more thing on the schedule can do, but if you can...we would love to have you join us. That starts in October, so you have some time. Think on that. Pray about that.

We start a new series on Sunday. "Be A Bringer". I have given this much thought and as I have worked through it, it has changed each week. I am looking forward to sharing what I have learned about who we are as Christian people and the significance we are to each other. Christ in us matters! When believing becomes intentional, it will make a difference. We'll talk more on Sunday. Have a great week!

BLOCK PARTY MENU:

**SMOKED PULLED PORK SANDWICHES
& SCALLOPED POTATOES/ COLESLAW/ COOKIES**

FALL

KICKOFF KICKOFF KICKOFF

IT'S THE PERFECT
TIME TO JUMP IN!

Wednesday, Sept. 6
H.S. Youth Group Starts

Sunday, Sept. 10
Block Party
11:45am-2pm

Middle School &
High School Event
5:30-7:30pm

Sunday, Sept. 24
Sunday School Starts
10:05am

Wednesday, Oct. 4
Midweek Starts



NEW

SUPPERS SIX

Join us for a new twist on an old favorite. Suppers Six is a group of six adults- couples or singles- coming together for a night of good food, fun, and fellowship! It's a time to reacquaint with long time friends and make new ones.

A host will be selected who would be willing to:

- 1) Invite 2 persons to the event outside of those who are signed up.
- 2) Set a date for the event.
- 3) Provide a home meal, meet at a restaurant, or meet at church. Take out is totally fine too!

The month for the events will be October, January, and February. Each group will be responsible for their own date and times.

For more information contact:
Cheryl Weerheim- 605-940-8413
Deb Teunissen- 605-359-6375
Elaine Deelstra- 605-357-4202

Sign up on Sept. 10 at The Link or Kick off Sunday tables.

ONGOING MINISTRIES

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

The Gideons

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>

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

SENIOR CITIZENS

Senior Citizens will meet on Monday, Sept. 11 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, Sept 19, at 7 pm in the back of the chapel at church. We will be discussing And Then We Laughed.

The morning book club will meet Wednesday, Sept. 20, at 9 am at the Bagel Boy on Minnesota Ave. We will be discussing The Dutch House.

HOPE CIRCLE

Hope Circle will resume meeting on Sept. 19th at 7:00 pm. Barb is the hostess and Marjie will lead lesson 7.

DOYLES' UPDATE

MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL



High School Youth Group

September is here and with it comes the start of high school youth group! We will be meeting this week from 6:00-8:00 at church. There will be food and fellowship from 6:00-7:00 and then lesson and small group times will go from 7:00-8:00. This month we get into a series "You Are Known" as we look at the Gospel message in a new way than years past. I am so excited to get started back up for the fall!

Middle and High School Event

This month our event for both middle and high school is September 10th – this Sunday. We will meet from 5:30-7:30 for a night of food, inflatables, yard games and some friendly competition between the two groups! I would love to see everyone before we officially start Sunday school and Midweek for everyone. If you are free, come on out for some fun!

Sunday School Start Date

We are getting close to the start of Sunday School for the year. Our middle school group will be led by Abby Burnside. The middle school group will be going through attributes of God to start the year off. Abby is looking forward to being back with the middle school group on Sunday mornings. The high school group will then be with me and we will be going through a few different books of the bible throughout the year. Can't wait to be back together Sunday mornings!

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

Doyle

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PRAYER REQUESTS

NEW PRAYER REQUESTS

- Judy Van Meeteren (hip surgery recovery)

ONGOING PRAYER REQUESTS

- Dalton Coffey (broken arm)
- Carolyn Odens (foot surgery)
- Chuck & Joyce Tarrell (recovery from car accident)
- Clarideth Kingsbury (cellulitis)
- Randi Van Der Slood (cancer treatments)
- Carrie Valentine (ankle surgery)
- Stuart Schouten (Parkinson's disease)
- Holli Jans' dad, Milt (cancer)
- Junella Wesselink's sister (cancer)
- Kathy Klein
- Irwin Van Leeuwen (cancer treatment)
- Kyle Wigg (liver transplant recovery)
- Ellen Nelson Garner (chronic airway disease)
- Leah Reuwsaat's mom, Marie
- Brian Frisbee (ongoing rehab)
- Aaralyn Van Der Slood
- Angie Bonnema's dad
- Rick Norris (cancer)
- Pete & Jan Mellema's son-in-law, Chris
- 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



HEATHER'S UPDATE

KID'S MINISTRY

Hi Everyone!

We've had a couple more sign ups for teaching Sunday School, but we really do need more teachers and helpers.

Sign up to volunteer at: <https://tinyurl.com/49t5tkw4>

Kids,
I've been busy getting your classrooms ready for you to join us for Sunday School, beginning on September 24. Plan to come meet some new people, see your old friends, and learn about God. We've got some fun lessons in the works and I'm hoping to see kids bring a friend when they can. Parents, I know it is a commitment to bring your child to Sunday School each week, and I want to thank you. Not only does it make an impact on your child, but it makes an impact on the other children in Sunday School, the adults at Community, and prepares your child to be a light for Jesus in their daily life. That's big stuff for kids and parents are often the ones who make that possible. I also appreciate the thoughtful conversation kids at Community are able to have because their parents are open and transparent in sharing their own faith walk, struggles, and growth with kids. Kids who watch God transform their parents are ready to watch for God everywhere as they grow up!

See you soon!

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FINANCES

Sunday, Sept 3, 2023

General: \$10,544
Vision: \$300
Missions: \$450

General YTD: \$659,378
Vision YTD: \$52,497
Vision Account Balance: \$29,630

SUNDAY SCHOOL STARTS SEPTEMBER 24



WE HAVE CLASSES FOR EVERYONE:

- 3yo through Pre-K start with singing in the Kids Wing.
- K-5 Grade go to their classrooms in the Kids Wing.
- Middle School and High School go to the Youth rooms.
- Adult Sunday School is in the Chapel overflow.
- Parent Connection Group meets in the Chapel.
- The Nursery is open during Sunday School.

JOIN US AT 10:05AM



LIZ'S UPDATE

ADULT DISCIPLESHIP & WORSHIP

It's finally time for me to share the adult class options for Mid-Week this year. Remember, Mid-Week starts October 4, and everyone is welcome. More details about that ministry will be forthcoming, but for now, here are those class options.

Pastor Clyde – The Reason for God

In a culture where the existence of God is often questioned, and the necessity of God is downplayed, the reason for God is of immense importance. In this study, Clyde will be using a book written by the late Tim Keller as a guide to discussions on this vital topic. You do not have to read the book to participate in the class.

Pastor Liz (Me!) – What the Heck, God?!

I will be leading Biblically based discussions about why bad things happen to good people, the problem of suffering in the world, and how we live with hope in the midst of pain. I'll be using several books as resources and guides for this study and hope to facilitate honest discussions about these pertinent issues.

Pastor John – The Wired Word

John will be leading discussions that correspond to current events happening around the world. These topics will change every week and will be discussed with Scriptural influences.

The Flower Patch – facilitated by Grace Collins

This group is focused on young women who are looking to nurture their inner “garden” selves in the context of a loving community of other young women. Through these discussions and shared experiences, these women will learn to recognize the value of all growing seasons in life; whether they are in blooming or pruning seasons.

Cooperating with Grief – facilitated by Susan Bierwagen

Susan will be leading this group for those who have lost a loved one and are looking to join in conversations about working through and understanding the changing stages of grief. Conversations will focus on varied tools and methods for maneuvering through grief.

History and Purpose of the Gospels – taught by Kyle Wigg

Kyle will be leading this study. He will cover questions such as “Why do we have four Gospels?”, “Where did they come from?”, and “How can we trust they are even true?”. This 5-week course will cover the origins, authors, history, and purpose of the Gospels through reading, discussion, and multimedia.

As you can see, we have a fantastic grouping of available classes this fall! We will talk more about them on October 4 (the first night of Mid-Week), and you'll have a chance to do a soft register for classes that look interesting to you. Please give this some prayerful thought! I believe these classes will be a blessing to all who participate!

Have a great week, friends!

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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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