



THE COMMUNICATOR

COMMUNITY REFORMED CHURCH

SEPTEMBER 1, 2021

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 Banquet

The Banquet is a volunteer-based ministry, which means our meals are paid for, prepared by, and served by volunteer groups who come from the Sioux Falls area. They now serve 16 meals per week at two locations



CLYDE'S UPDATE

It is September everyone! I am making that announcement just in case you haven't noticed. Fall is actually making its way to us now. While I was away, I noticed you got a little rain. That of course is an understatement! You got a lot of rain! We even had a family who lost their home in that crazy storm and others who had some damage to outbuildings and trees. Nature has power and when that power gets going, it can do some very serious damage. We are very glad no one was seriously injured. This weekend is Labor Day which marks the official end to summer. I know there will be time for people to still get away, but those weekends are coming to a close. It was a full summer.

RCA updates and information: I will be answering questions and giving you an update in the chapel on Sunday morning after the 9am service. This is current information after a couple of important meetings this past week. General Synod meets in a few weeks. That will all be interesting. I know you probably hear lots of things from people in the area, so this is a way for me to give you current information. See you on Sunday.

Holli was very happy about the nice day you all had on Sunday. The weather cleared and the air dried a bit. It sounds like you all had a great time. Lots of good church happens at those events. You get to touch base with each other in a different way and that is always a good thing. Thanks for everyone who pitched in with tables and chairs and all the other things that go into making this day special.

Doyle did a great job of filling in on Sunday. He always does! It is nice for you to get to see him in this different role. You get to know a little more of who this guy is and what he is like. We are so happy he is here with us. They are a great family who both bring so many different gifts to this place. I really like that! Thanks, Doyle, for your willingness to share your heart...now just get the ladder of the stage, please. 😊

I was in the Black Hills last weekend. It was a busy time, good to be away, somewhat relaxing, did my best for those men, brought the message of Jesus, visited with new a few old friends, made some new ones, and came home a little good tired. I hope that made sense. We might talk about some of this on Sunday. I even took my guitar and sang for them...just me singing and playing my guitar...by myself. I have not done that in a long time. I had a message to share and that is what I did. I was sincere. I was real. I was me. God can use that. He always does. He can for all of us folks. He is amazing that way. It is always amazing to watch Him in action. I speak and He gets busy. I sing, He gets busy. He can do that for each of us.

Sunday is my free week in the sermon series area. I always do that on Labor Day.

Summer series is over. The fall series begins in a couple of weeks. So, I have this free one to do this Sunday. I think about the summer and the upcoming fall. I look at what I have observed. I think about what I see ahead. What do I want to say on this last official Sunday of summer? We'll talk more on Sunday, have a great week!

NEW

Interested in joining a long-term Bible Study in a small group setting? Come to an informational meeting about *The Journey* study on Sunday, Sept. 26 @ 4:00pm.

Mission-Haiti HAITI RELIEF EVENT

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9



A COMMUNITY-WIDE EVENT TO SUPPORT THE PEOPLE IMPACTED BY THE 2021 EARTHQUAKE AND TROPICAL STORM.

**5PM-6:30PM- FOOD TRUCKS,
6:30PM - WORSHIP, PRAYER, TESTIMONIES, VIDEOS AND UPDATES FROM HAITI
HOSTED AT EMBRACE CHURCH (57TH ST)**

Community,

We've been invited to help support the many people of Haiti who were impacted by the earthquake and tropical storm by joining other churches in Sioux Falls (that also have a connection to Haiti like Community does) for a relief event.



PHOTO CHALLENGE

We've got a challenge for you!

Share up to 3 photos that show a moment in your life where God was present. You may not have realized it then, but you see it now.

Please use this Dropbox link to upload your photos.

<https://www.dropbox.com/request/874l0tGVvZG87f0wx7dB>

We are gathering photos for a possible video showing how God is moving in the lives at Community. If you send us one, we are going to assume it is ok to use it.

Also, please understand that we not be able to use every single photo we get.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

WEDNESDAY, SEPT 1:

7:30-8:30PM- H.S. YOUTH GROUP STARTS

SATURDAY, SEPT. 4:

7:00AM-PRAYER MINISTRY (CHAPEL)

10:00AM- AA MEETING

SUNDAY, SEPT. 5:

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

IN-PERSON SUNDAY SERVICES

10:10AM- ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

SUNDAY, SEPT. 6:

OFFICE CLOSED

TUESDAY, SEPT. 7:

7:00PM- AA MEETING

WEDNESDAY, SEPT 8:

9:30AM- JOY CIRCLE

7:30-8:30PM- H.S. YOUTH GROUP

UPCOMING MINISTRIES

HOPE CIRCLE

The Hope Circle will start their 2021-2022 season on Sept. 21st at 7:00pm. We will meet at Jeanie's home (4510 E. 53rd St., Apt. 107). She will serve as hostess and Barb will lead lesson 2 in Parables, our study book. Be ready to sign up for the hostess and leader jobs for the remainder of our season.

JOY CIRCLE

CHANGE OF LOCATION: Meet on Wed. Sept 8th at 9:30am at church to assemble bags for the homeless. Supplies will be purchased. You will be asked to donate to cover the cost of the supplies.

SENIOR CITIZENS

Senior Citizens meet every 2nd Monday of the month at Noon at the East 10th Pizza Ranch. Next date: Sept 13. Questions, please call Connie Parmley, 605-275-0030.

BAPTISMS

We'll be doing private baptisms after the 10:45am service. If you'd like to request baptism, please email the church office at connect@communityrc.org.

AA BIG BOOK MEETING

Every Tues. at 7pm at Community- Open meeting. Use east door. 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.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

SUNDAYS @ 10:10am in the Chapel



LIZ'S UPDATE

ADULT DISCIPLESHIP & WORSHIP

I know I say this every year, but I can't believe that this week marks the beginning of September already! The month of August just flew by!

I'd like to talk a bit about an upcoming workshop I'll be hosting on Wednesday, September 22 from 6-8pm. At this workshop, I'll be teaching about the enneagram, which is a tool we can use to understand how we function and grow in our spiritual walks with Christ. There is a *lot* of misinformation floating around out there about the enneagram, and I have felt strongly compelled to teach the truth about it to any adults who might be interested.

This is a singular workshop. I'll not be teaching on this again during Mid-Week, and I will not be offering any small group studies about it, mostly because there are more important things to teach about! ☺ The enneagram is a *tool* and only a *tool*. We use it in much the same way we might use the Myers-Briggs personality test or the Clifton Strengths Finder or even one of many temperaments tests you can find. These things are *tools*, just like a hammer is a tool. When we use tools in the proper way, they serve us. We do not serve them. And tools in and of themselves have no power. They only become useful when people who know *how* to use them use them *appropriately*. The same is true of the enneagram, and I'll unpack that more at the workshop. This is a free workshop and open to any adult. An RSVP is appreciated but not required. Please let me know if you have any questions!

Our important upcoming dates are as follows:

Sunday, September 12 This is Community Sunday

Fill out a contact card to learn more about all the ministries and events at church!

Wednesday, September 22, 2021, 6:00-8:00pm Enneagram Workshop

A FREE workshop for adults to discuss and learn the history of the enneagram, and the appropriate ways to use this tool. An RSVP to me is appreciated but not necessary.

Sunday, October 3, 4:00-5:30pm Choir Rehearsal

We rehearse every Sunday from 4:00-5:30pm, and we do offer child care during this time.

Wednesday, October 6, 5:30-7:30pm Mid-Week begins

This is the absolute best way to connect with and meet people from Community!

Have a great week and a restful Labor Day weekend!

Liz

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KID'S MINISTRY

HEATHER'S UPDATE

Hi Everyone!

I think most of our kiddos are back in school and I hope it is going well for everyone. I've really enjoyed seeing the students at the neighborhood schools near Community for the very first time and the connections that are happening. Please keep praying for all of the kids as the new year begins. Now, I'm really excited as we're looking forward to that first day of Sunday School!

I am hoping a few more of you will be able to join us as Sunday School volunteers this fall. Here are the details:

- Every position that we still need to fill already has a co-teacher, so if you say yes, you will share the time commitment and responsibilities with another person. We are careful to do this for each position because this means that you don't have to teach every week. You and your co-teacher can work together to create a schedule that works well for you. Most do every other week, but some teams do every other month or two weeks on, two weeks off.
- Everything you need is already in the classroom! The supplies, curriculum, photocopies, and Bibles are all there. WE JUST NEED YOU!
- Sunday School is from 10am to 10:40am each week with some Sundays off around holidays to allow volunteers to be with their families. The schedule for the year is at: <https://605.church/children>

If you can help, please contact me (Heather) at 605-336-1475 or Heather.DeWit@CommunityRC.org or you can sign up on our link: <https://bit.ly/3xNSJrL>

For those of you who already said yes, be sure to check your inbox for an email from me. I sent some information last week for all teachers and helpers.

As of the writing of this newsletter, here is what we still need:

- 3- and 4-year-old Preschool Teacher
- 3rd Grade Teacher
- 4th Grade Teacher

As always, if you have any questions, please let me know.

Thanks!

See you soon!

Heather DeWit

Director of Children's Ministries

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COMMUNITY KIDS



2021-2022 CALENDAR

9/12/21	This is Community Sunday
9/19/21	Sunday School begins
10/6/21	Midweek Begins
11/24/21	Thanksgiving Eve Service
11/28/21	No Sunday School
12/5/21	Kids Christmas Program
12/22/21	No Midweek
12/24/21	Christmas Eve
12/26/21	No Sunday School
12/29/21	No Midweek
1/2/22	No Sunday School
1/5/22	No Midweek
1/9/22	Sunday School starts again
1/12/22	Midweek starts again
4/6/22	Pizza and Praise-Midweek
4/17/22	Easter- no Sunday School
5/1/22	Last day of Sunday School
6/26-29/22	Vacation Bible School

PRAYER REQUESTS

NEW PRAYER REQUESTS

ONGOING PRAYER REQUESTS

- Jodie Jensen (cancer treatments/heart)
- Bert Roetman (hip surgery 8/23)
- Robyn Jacobs' dad, Rick (Leukemia)
- Bert Roetman's son, Loren (stroke)
- Harriett Valentine's grandson's wife, Amy
- Jim Fisher's brother, Dan
- Darla Anderson's friend, Vonnie (cancer)
- Connie Saathoff's brother, Russ (cancer)
- Ann DeYoung (dialysis)
- Randi Van Der Slood (cancer treatments)
- Brian Frisbee (stroke recovery/ long-term rehab)
- Jan Kreun's dad
- Marv Sturing (cancer)
- Tracee Ellwein's dad (skin & muscle graft)
- Kim Becker's mother-in-law, Amy (colorectal cancer)
- Ellen Nelson (chronic airway disease)
- Lexi Valentine (auto-immune disease)
- Jenna Hoogendoorn (liver)
- Tami Boyle's dad (prostate cancer)
- Gary Jensen (cancer)
- Tami Harm's cousin (colon cancer)

WE COULD USE YOUR HELP THIS FALL!
CHECK OUT THESE LINKS BELOW TO SIGN UP FOR A SPOT THAT WORKS BEST INTO YOUR SCHEDULE.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SIGN UPS

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080f4cacao2eabfb6-community>

NURSERY SIGN UPS

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0c48a9aa29a3fac43-nursery>



Please donate cash and gift cards that will be given to our neighbors at Inspiration Elementary and Ben Reifel Middle School to provide school supplies.

Drop the cash/gift cards in the buckets in the lobby.

If you'd rather go shopping online for school supplies, here's their Amazon Wishlist.

<https://amzn.to/2WRhh5I>

FINANCES

Sunday, August 29, 2021

General: \$4,621
Vision: \$215
Missions: \$880

General YTD: \$541,382
Vision YTD: \$65,904
Vision Account Balance: \$184,030

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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'll be doing private baptism
after the 10:45am service through
the summer.**

**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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