



THE COMMUNICATOR

SEPTEMBER 7, 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

THE BANQUET

The Banquet is a volunteer-based ministry, which means meals are paid for, prepared by, and served by volunteer groups.

COMMUNITY SERVES AT THE BANQUET ON WED. SEPT. 21

Sign up at The Link or by emailing
connect@communityrc.org

CLYDE'S ARTICLE

We start our week in September with a lot of announcements in the newsletter this week. Check all the pages because there is a lot going on. Here we go, as they say! I have been working on fall things and trying to get a handle on schedules, themes, and add some time to dig into some good study time. Whenever we get into a new series, it always takes me a little time to find that new space. This one will be no different, but I do enjoy the study because I learn new things as well. I do enjoy that. The Bible continues to speak to us even when we have read a passage dozens of times. It can still speak something new to us. Our life circumstance changes our listening. We hear the words differently. As our needs change, God speaks into those spaces. We all have experienced these moments. The Bible is a living word. Alive and well. It certainly is!

This coming Sunday is Block Party Sunday. After church on Sunday morning, we will all be meeting on the lawn for some good food and fun things for all the kids. For me it is a reminder that the fall is here, and programs will soon be getting started. Make plans to stay and spend a little time with us. It is a great time to connect and give the entire church a chance to get to know one another. That is challenging a place like ours with these multiple services. I hear all the time that we don't know the people at 8 or we don't know those 10:45 folks...here is your chance to get to know each other. See you all there!

I am working on a 30-day prayer devotion for the church family. We will be starting that together on September 25. The theme will be in conjunction with the new series of messages and focus our hearts on the moving of the Spirit on this street we call Faith. If you do preaching, and I do, that is a theme that just keeps on giving. God is always up to something. We know it! We see it! We believe for it! The Spirit is church's best resource. Jesus is the reason we are here. We have been moved here for a reason, we never doubted it, but now we can see one of the reasons. It is exciting to be a part of that. God will move your lives into the lives of others. It is who He is. That will be the theme of that devotional/prayer time together as we pray for our friends "on Faith".

Sunday, we begin the fall series "On Faith!" Our theme verses will come from John chapter one where John speaks of the Word becoming flesh and dwelling among us. The profound difference this makes in a religious context is important to note. The Word (Jesus) is not only about learning new things, it is about meeting God personally, redemptively, substantially, eternally, and right now...right here. I think you can see where this is going. "On Faith" is about where we are in the Kingdom work of God, certainly using our literal location of Faith Avenue, but even more importantly setting our foundational message of our God being evident in this place. We'll talk more on Sunday. Have a great week!

YOU
BELONG
HERE



LIZ'S UPDATE

ADULT DISCIPLESHIP & WORSHIP

Things are starting to get rolling for our fall season here at Community! It's exciting to see programs starting and people heading back for a great year!

Remember that the WD <40> meeting happens this week, Wednesday, September 7th from 7:00-8:00pm. Women of all ages are invited to join us in the fellowship hall at church for a night of conversation and learning! Keep in mind that this group will meet on the first Monday of every month from 7:00-8:00pm, but this week, we had to avoid a holiday.

The Men's Discipleship group, DMV, will get started next Monday night with a meeting at the church from 7:00-8:00pm. Men of all ages are encouraged to attend! John Blok will be leading these times, and he has some fantastic plans in mind for this group. If you have any questions, please feel free to ask me!

We are looking for a few people who are willing to clean and prep the kitchen for our upcoming Mid-Week programs. If you would be willing to help do some light cleaning in the kitchen, please contact me. On Saturday October 1, from 9:00am-noon, Janet Bartscher will be in the kitchen cleaning out and wiping down the cabinets and drawers in the kitchen, as well as going through the pantry and other storage spaces. If you'd be willing to lend your hands to help, please contact me. We don't need a huge group, but we do need more than one. ☺

I've spent time for the last several weeks highlighting our adult learning opportunities, many of which will begin at the start of Mid-Week on October 5th. It looks like we may have a couple of other classes to add to our list, but for now, here's the current list. This info can also be found on brochures in The Corner and at The Link.

Adult Sunday School (Pastor John) - Sunday School Guide
Sunday mornings, 10:10 – 11:00am in the chapel overflow
Meeting currently

WD <40> Women's Discipleship for women of all ages (Liz Teel)
1st Monday of every month from 7:00-8:00pm
First meeting will be September 7 (note it is a Wednesday)

DMV – Discipleship: Men's Version (John Blok)
2nd Monday of every month from 7:00-8:00pm
First meeting will be September 12

The Parent Connection (Shawn and Lori Blom)
Sunday mornings, 10:10 – 10:40am in the chapel
Starts September 25

The Wired Word (Pastor John)
Monday evenings, 7:00-8:00pm
Starts on September 19

Revelation (Pastor John)
Mid-Week 6:30-7:30pm
Starts October 5

Heaven (Liz)
Mid-Week 6:30-7:30pm
Starts October 5

Financial Peace University (Reid and Dana Goeman)
Mid-Week 6:00-7:30pm
Starts October 5

Evangelism and Secular Culture (Pastor Clyde)
Mid-Week 6:30-7:30
Starts October 5

Have a great week, everyone!

Liz
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FALL

KICKOFF

Mark your calendar for these fall groups/events!

WD<40<

(Women Discipleship Group
under 40 or over 40☺)
Wednesday, Sept. 7 @ 7:00pm

High School Youth Group

Starts Wednesday, Sept. 7
6:30-8:30pm
Meal, connect, learn

Kickoff Sunday Block Party

Sunday, Sept. 11th from 11:45am-2pm
Join us for a catered meal & inflatables!

DMV- Men's Discipleship Group

Starting Date: Monday, Sept. 12
7:00-8:00pm
Led by John Blok

Adult Baptism

We're excited to hold our adult baptism celebration on
Sunday, Sept. 18th at 4:00pm. If you'd like to sign up for
baptism, please email Holli at
connect@communityrc.org.

The Wired Word

Monday nights from 7:00-8:00pm
Bible Study led by Pastor John Thornton
Starts Sept. 19

Serving at The Banquet

Wednesday, Sept. 21 from 5:00-8:00pm
Sign up at The Link or by emailing
connect@communityrc.org

Sunday School Starts

Sunday, Sept. 25th @ 10:00am
3 year olds- adult

VOLUNTEER NEEDED: SCHOOL LAMINATOR (ONCE A WEEK)

Inspiration Elementary (across the street from church) is looking for
a volunteer to laminate projects for teachers in their classrooms.
They are looking for someone to come in once a week for 30-90
minutes to complete their projects. If you're interested in learning
more, contact Heather (heather.dewit@communityrc.org) or Lori
Blom (lablom40@gmail.com)

THIS WEEK

Wednesday, September 7

6:30-8:30pm-H.S. Youth Group
7:00-8:00pm- WD<40>

Saturday, September 10

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

Sunday, September 11

8:00, 9:00 & 10:45AM- Sunday Services
11:45-2:00pm- Block Party

Monday, September 12

Noon- Senior Citizens (E. Pizza Ranch)
7:00-8:00pm- DMV Kickoff

Tuesday, September 13

9:30-10:30am- Play Group

Wednesday, September 14

6:30-8:30pm-H.S. Youth Group

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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,
Sept. 12 at noon at the East 10th
Pizza Ranch. Everyone welcome!

BOOK CLUBS

The morning book club will meet Wed, Sept.
21st at 9:00am at Bagel Boy on Minnesota Ave.
They will be discussing Delusion by Gallier.

The evening book club will meet on Tues, Sept.
20 at 7:00pm at church. They will be discussing
Prairie Fires.

Hope Circle will meet on Sept. 20th at 7:00
pm. Hostess is Helen and lesson leader is
Marjie. The lesson is #11 in our Parables book.



DOYLES' UPDATE MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL

Our Wednesday Nights for high school youth group starts this week! I am looking forward to get going again after a quiet August. This year our senior high group starts with a series "No Such Thing As a Free Lunch". We will be doing a three week series on the Gospel as we explore the good news we hear from scripture and a gift we have been given – eternal life through Jesus. At the same time, we also take note that this gift given to us cost Jesus everything. How great is His love!

All our weekly gatherings are getting close to starting up for the rest of the youth ministry. Sunday School for both middle and high school starts September 25th and middle school youth group starts the first week in October. I love the beginning of the year as the youth group begins to take shape for the year. As we gear up for the fall, I am praying for our students as they continue to get used to the school year and all that comes with it!

That's it for this week. If you have any questions, please feel free to send them my way.

Doyle
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FINANCES

Sunday, Sept. 4, 2022

General: \$9,206
Vision: \$725
Missions: \$180

General YTD: \$580,509
Vision YTD: \$52,453
Vision Account Balance: \$35,315



PRAYER REQUESTS

ONGOING PRAYER REQUESTS

- Irwin Van Leeuwen (cancer)
- Steve Lee
- Jean Nollman (surgery recovery)
- Joe Johnson
- Jenna Hoogendoorn (transplant recovery)
- Pete & Jan Mellema's son-in-law, Chris (cancer)
- Tami Boyle's dad (pancreatic/liver cancer)
- Susan Bierwagen's brother, Lee (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)
- Jean Nollman's brother-in-law, Jim (growth in abdomen)
- Susan Bierwagen's uncle, Darrell (cancer)
- Lexi Valentine (auto-immune disease)
- Randi Van Der Sloot (cancer treatments)
- Spring & Tony
- Jodie Jensen (cancer treatments/heart)
- Darla Anderson's friend, Vonnie (cancer)
- Marv Sturing (cancer)
- Tracee Ellwein's dad (skin & muscle graft)
- Ellen Nelson (chronic airway disease)
- Harvey & Karen Odens' great niece, Lydia (cancer)

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE 437 PROJECT

THE 437 PROJECT

A RUN ACROSS SOUTH DAKOTA FOR SUICIDE PREVENTION

The 437 Project was born of a passion for bolstering both physical and mental wellness and the often overlooked connection between the two. In 2022, the inaugural 437 Project will run 437 miles across the state of SD, raising funds to support The Helpline Center. (Sept. 22-25)

FPU

Take control of your money with Financial Peace University! This nine-week class uses biblical wisdom and common sense to help you tackle budgeting, pay off debt, and make your money work for you! You can sign up for this class at fpu.com/1151472.

Class starts October 5 @ 6:00pm.



KID'S MINISTRY

HEATHER'S UPDATE

Hi Everyone,

I have a message for 3rd grade students and their families! We'll be giving the 3rd graders their Bibles on Oct 16 during the 9:00am and 10:45am services. There is no need to sign up in advance. Just come on October 16 and we'll call the 3rd graders to the front to receive their Bibles. Tucked inside each Bible is a certificate to have the child's name imprinted on the Bible at Crossroads.

If you know a child or adult who needs a Bible, feel free to let me know. We love to put God's word into the hands of people and you can help us do that by letting us know. We give out a NIV Teen Study Bible to both children and adults.

We do still need more Sunday School teachers.

One more Teacher for each of the following grades:

- PreK
- Kindergarten
- 2nd Grade
- 4th Grade

Helpers:

- One more Helper for 3 and 4 year old preschool
- 1 more Helper for Pre-K

For Midweek, we'll need some "Midweek Grown Ups" to learn and have fun with us each week. You can come every Wednesday or choose the ones that work for you.

If you are willing to help, please email me or use our SignUpGenius link. [Bit.ly/3P56f2T](https://bit.ly/3P56f2T) or contact me.

First day of Sunday School this fall, September 25, 2022

Thanks!

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2022-2023 Calendar

COMMUNITY KIDS

9/11/22 "This is Community" Sunday & Block Party
9/25/22 Sunday School begins at 10am
10/5/22 Midweek Begins
11/23-27/22 No Midweek or Sunday School
12/4/22 Kids Christmas Program 4pm
12/14/22- 1/1/23 No Midweek or Sunday School
3/29/23 Pizza and Praise-Midweek
5/7/23 Last day of Sunday School
7/24-27/23 Vacation Bible School

Learn more at: 605.church/children

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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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