

First Christian Reformed Church of Oskaloosa

Bulletin Supplement for 1/13/19

CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

LETTERS:

- Lynn Hook -- Jared De Young Betty Huyser -- Joel Huyser
- Tim Jabaay -- Eric Schering Mike Jackson -- Justin Van Zee

A TIME FOR PRAYER:

- You are invited to a time of prayer before our worship service every Sunday morning from 9:00-9:10 a.m. in the Conference Room. Everyone is welcome to join us.

FROM THE DEACONS:

- December Special Offerings** were as follows:

Mexican Christian Children's Aid	\$ 1,319.85	Trinity Chr. College	\$ 841.80
Love, INC (In the Name of Christ)	\$ 1,253.75	Focus on the Family	\$ 876.00
Angel Tree Camps	\$ 2,330.64	IGNITE Youth Group	\$ 1,108.25
Ecumenical Food Cupboard	\$ 969.00	World Renew	\$ 2,021.50
- Year-End Report:** The 2018 Year-End Report is attached to the back of the supplement.

PARKING:

- Just a reminder that in view of the Dordt Choir being with us today, the parking spots by the East Door (organ entrance) will be blocked off so that we have room for their bus to park. Thank you for your cooperation.

WINTER WORSHIP FOR 2019:

- Schedule:** We will be continuing our Winter Worship schedule.
 - ~Morning service – 9:30 a.m.
 - ~Sunday School
 - ~Potluck Lunch
 - ~Afternoon Service – 12:45 p.m.
- Morning worship and Sunday School** will continue as usual. We will then have a potluck lunch followed by the second service at 12:45 p.m. Single people of any age are encouraged to stay without commitment to bring food.
- Paper Products:** The church will provide paper goods. Care Groups will take turns with set up, drinks (water and coffee), and clean up. A list of instructions is in the kitchen.
- Care Group Assignments:** Since there are new Care Groups we would appreciate anyone helping where they are able.

January 13	- Care Group 8	January 20	- Care Group 9
January 27	- Care Group 10	February 3	- Care Group 1
February 10	- Care Group 2	February 17	- Care Group 3
February 24	- Care Group 4	March 3	- Care Group 5

WINTER WORSHIP:

- As we continue our Winter Worship format we ask that you, as parents, please keep your children from playing in the sanctuary between the services. There are plenty of games downstairs and plenty of room for them to run off steam as well. Thank you!

DORDT COLLEGE CONCERT CHOIR:

- The Dordt College Concert Choir from Sioux Center, IA invites you to a concert to be held in our church today at 12:45 p.m. The concert is part of a Winter Music Tour with performances in Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana and Iowa. Directed by Mr. Ryan Smit, the ensembles will perform a wide variety of choral music, including hymn arrangements, gospel, classics from Mozart and Brahms, multi-cultural songs from around the globe and profound works from exciting new composers. The concert is free, with a freewill offering received to help defray tour expenses.

YEARBOOK:

- If you are interested in ordering a 2019 Yearbook of the CRC, please let Sue know by today. They are \$11 for regular and \$13 for spiral bound.

HOSTS/HOSTESSES NEEDED:

- Please sign the sheet on the Information Center table to be one of the 12 volunteers to serve as Host/Hostess (singles or couples welcome) for the Thursday evening Love, INC (In the Name of Christ) classes. Classes will continue through Thursday, April 4. The approximate time commitment is from 5:00-6:30 p.m. If you have other questions, please call Gloria at 660-6856. Thank you.

BLOOD DRIVE:

- Our next Blood Drive will be held on Monday, Jan. 14, from 2:30 – 7:00 p.m. If you would like to donate and have not been contacted, please contact Sue De Bruin at 673-7303 or 673-4272.

HOME VISITATION:

- Home Visitation will be held on Monday, Jan. 14. The schedule is as follows:

J. De Bruin & Pastor Jon

7:00 Tyler Shelquist

8:15 Les Fynaardt

Kaisand & De Groot

7:00 Kurtis De Bruin

8:15 Don De Bruin

Veenstra & Sytsma

7:00 Ben De Bruin

8:15 Mike Boender

G. De Bruin & Van Donselaar

7:00 Matt Collins

8:15 David Boyd

Kunz & B. Bruxvoort

7:00 Layton De Groot

8:15 Doug De Bruin

IGNITE:

- We will be going bowling this week. Please be at church at 7:00 p.m. if you need a ride. Otherwise, be at the Oskey Bowling Alley by 7:10. Bring Money for your own refreshments. We will be back at church at 8:45 p.m.

HOBBY DAY:

- We are hoping to get back into the swing of regular Hobby Days after the first of the year. Our first one is planned for this Friday, Jan. 18. We will have the doors open by 9:00 a.m. Bring your own lunch, we'll order pizza for supper. Come when you can and leave when you must. Q's? talk to Kristen or Sue. We hope to see you there!

"ISH" GROUP:

- Next week Sunday, Jan. 20, the Ish group will begin several weeks of study on the topic "Angels, Demons and Spiritual Beings." Our 20-40ish aged adults are invited to join us in the IGNITE room downstairs at 11:00 a.m.

SEW DAY:

- The annual Sew Day for Cary, MS is set up for Tuesday, Jan. 29, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.. We will be working on tying quilts, laying out quilts and sewing tops. Please bring your own tying and sewing supplies. We will order in pizza for lunch and snacks, coffee and tea will be furnished. Come when it works into your schedule. Come and enjoy the fellowship while working for others.

FAMILY PICTURES:

- There is an easel in the Fellowship Hall to pin family pictures on – like the type some people mail out as Christmas cards this time of year. We thought it would be nice for you to see the extended families of those in our church. It will be there for a month or so.
– The Building Committee

BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES:

- Jan. 15 = Bert Bandstra, Keith Brink, Luke Van Donselaar (Jeremy)
- Jan. 18 = Lisa De Bruin, Dylan Roozeboom (Luke)

DIRECTORY UPDATE:

- Joel & Lisa Van Gilst have a new email = vangilstJL@gmail.com

STAR GIFT WORDS:

- Anyone who did not receive a 2019 Star Gift Word may pick one up from the basket at the Information Center.

OFFICE NEWS:

- **Misc. Stuff:** Just a few reminders as the society season starts up again:
 - ~ Space: If you need to use areas of the church that you don't normally use, at a time you don't normally use them (i.e. Basement on a Tuesday morning), you need to talk to me to reserve the space. Space is reserved on a "first come, first serve" basis.
 - ~ Projects: I am more than willing to help you with your projects (designing, copying, cutting), just please get them to me in a timely manner. (Read "NOT Thursday or Friday" ☺)
 - ~ Mailboxes: **PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE** let me put things in mailboxes for you. It is much easier for me to do the smaller things last. Just leave the items on my table with instructions (if needed). Thanks!
 - ~ Van Use: The van is reserved through the office on a "first come, first serve" basis.

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS:

WORK TRIP:

- World Renew Disaster Response Services will have a mission/work trip Jan. 19-26, 2019 to Hammond, LA., due to flooding. Please contact Harold Van Wyk at 641-891-2038 or haroldtwyla@yahoo.com

SAVE THE DATE:

- Please save the date and plan to join us on Friday, Feb. 8, for 818 Forward With Faith's 2nd Annual Dessert Dash! The evening will start with a silent auction from 5:00-6:00 p.m., followed by supper and desserts. We will also hear an inspirational message from John O'Leary. The event will be held at Pella Christian High School. Please RSVP to promotion@forwardwithfaith.org or go to our website at www.forwardwithfaith.org for more information. We are looking forward to seeing you!

FROM PEORIA CHRISTIAN SCHOOL:

- It is that time of year again. Our Hostess Supper is on Saturday, Feb. 23, at 6:00 pm. Please contact the school at Office@peoriachr.org or call (641)625-4131 if you have any questions. See you there!

FROM NEW LIFE PRISON MINISTRIES:

- Dear Friends in Christ, Thank you so much for your financial and prayer support for New Life Prison Community this past year! God continues to work through us at the Newton Correctional Facility, as we bring hope to the lost and help men to change their lives.
-- In His Service, Pastor Rick & Rose Admiraal

FROM CRC NEWS:

- **From Back to God Ministries International:**
 - ~ *Pleasing God, Not People:* We examine 1 Thessalonians 2 to discover Paul's teaching on authority and the importance of our discernment, motivation, and responsibility for the gospel message. Listen now at www.GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.
 - ~ *Walk It, Talk It:* Liz and Spike want to figure out how to buy fancy shoes so they can be cool. When their plans to raise money flop, they joke about stealing the shoes. But it isn't long before their joke causes big problems. Listen now at www.kidcorner.net and subscribe to KC's weekly emails for future episodes. Download KC's Collection of Memories Kit 2019 for a family activity today.
 - ~ *Family Fire* is an online community exploring Spirit-led family, marriage, parenting, in-laws, blended families, and intimacy. Find encouraging articles and devotions at www.familyfire.com. Subscribe for regular email updates and connect with our Family Fire community on Facebook.
- **From CRC Communications:**
 - ~ *Help is Only a Call, Click, or Chat Away:* We're making it easier for you and your church to access CRC resources. If you're involved in a church ministry and wonder if your denomination can help with something, just CALL (800-272-5125), CLICK (www.crcna.org/Resources), or CHAT (from any page on www.crcna.org). We're here to serve, and would love to connect you with people and resources to support your ministry.
 - ~ *Pray for Inspire 2019:* Inspire 2019 is a conference to connect people from across the 1000+ churches in the Christian Reformed Church for three days of worship, workshops, speakers, and conversation. As we plan and prepare for this event, happening August 1-3 in Windsor, Ont., please join us in praying for the event and all who will attend. This week, please pray for those involved in the planning - that they will be encouraged in their ongoing work and that many will be blessed through the event.
- **Family Faith Formation Tip:** It's easy for kids to think of Bible people like Moses as David as mythical characters rather than real, flesh and blood, flawed people. When you read Bible stories where the main character does something wrong (and there are many!), emphasize that God works through imperfect people, even when they make mistakes. And share stories with your kids of how God is at work in your own imperfect life. (Faith Formation Ministries; www.crcna.org/FaithFormation)
- **Conference – The Prodigal Love of God:** Join us April 4-6, 2019, at Dordt College for *The Prodigal Love of God Conference: Reencountering Dort at 400 and Beyond*. Through invited plenaries and panel discussions, this conference will feature conversations about the historical legacy and the future of Protestantism as well as the opportunities facing the global church in the decades ahead. Confirmed speakers include Marilynne Robinson, Richard Mouw, James K.A. Smith, Timothy George, Paul Lim, Suzanne McDonald, Jemar Tisby, and Tish Harrison Warren. For info: www.dordt.edu/plg. To register: www.prodigalloveofgodregistration.eventbrite.com/
- **Global Church Partnerships:** Are you seeking an opportunity to develop in-depth relationships with other Christians, locally and internationally? World Renew helps churches to develop committed church-to-church relationships that enrich lives within a congregation -- and provide long-term, two-way support between churches. Join World Renew to partner with churches worldwide and further God's kingdom! Contact Andrew at globalvolunteer@worldrenew.net for more information.