

# First Christian Reformed Church of Oskaloosa

## Bulletin Supplement for 1/6/19

### CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

#### LETTERS:

- Kandi Henry -- Jared De Young Pastor Paul -- Joel Huyser  
Eric Hol -- Eric Schering Ken Hol -- 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.

#### HOMESTEAD:

- Due to the Sunday School classes going to Homestead today (which is normally a Central Reformed service), Central Reformed will be taking our turn on Jan. 13. Therefore, there will be no listing this week regarding the Homestead service.

#### CHILD EVANGELISM FELLOWSHIP:

- **Local Club:** In late November Child Evangelism Fellowship staff member, Shane Van Donselaar, spoke in our church about opportunities to help with a Good News Club that is being started at the Oskaloosa Public School. The club is on track to begin meeting on January 15, 2019, and will meet from 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. every Tuesday. Please continue to pray for this local evangelism effort.
- **3 Ways to Help:** (1) An *Offering* for Child Evangelism Fellowship is being taken today; (2) a “*Treasure Chest*” of small items is used at each meeting and (3) *Pre-Packaged Snacks* are offered. You can help to fill these needs by sharing small one-of-a kind items you might have (e.g. freebies from a kid’s meal) or offering to provide funds to buy the pre-packaged snacks for a week. (Any amount will help. We do not know the interest level at this time, so we do not know how many items we will need.) Items and/or questions may be directed to Karen or Ruth De Bruin.

#### WINTER WORSHIP FOR 2019:

- **Schedule:** We will be starting our Winter Worship schedule today.
  - ~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 6	- Care Group 7	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 begin our Winter Worship format today 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!

#### FROM THE FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE:

- **Care Groups:** Today we will begin our Winter Worship potlucks. Care Group #7 is asked to help in the kitchen, if you are staying for the potluck. It is very helpful for Care Group members who are staying for the potluck to help in the kitchen so that the dinner dishes can be finished before the afternoon service begins. Many hands make light work! Thank you!

- **Extra Food:** Next Sunday, Jan. 13, we will be hosting the Dordt College Concert Choir. We have invited the Choir to join us for our potluck lunch that day. We kindly ask that if you could bring a little extra food or another side dish so that we would have enough food to go around it would be greatly appreciated. Thank you in advance. (Please see related announcement later in the supplement.)

DIRECTORY PICTURES:

- **Directory Pictures:** Just a reminder that if you would like to add/change your picture in the directory that you will need to email a copy to me by Jan. 8. I cannot accept hard copies. Thanks ☺
- **Directory Pages:** Directory pages are in the hallway. Please look them over carefully and if you need to make changes use the red pens provided. The pages will be out through Jan. 8.

CADETS:

- **The 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Cadets** will be going to Homestead this Wednesday evening, Jan. 9. Please be at church by 6:15. You will be back to church in time to be picked up at 8:30.
- **The 4<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Cadets** will have regular meetings from 7-8:30.

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 begin this Thursday, Jan. 10. 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.

PARKING:

- In view of the Dordt Choir being with us next Sunday, Jan. 13, 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.

DORDT COLLEGE CONCERT CHOIR:

- The Dordt College Concert Choir from Sioux Center, IA invites you to a concert to be held in our church on Sunday, Jan. 13, 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 next Sunday, Jan. 13. They are \$11 for regular and \$13 for spiral bound.

BLOOD DRIVE:

- Our next Blood Drive will be held on Monday, Jan. 14, from 2:15 – 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

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 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:

- The Ish group will begin again on Sunday, Jan. 20.

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. 8 = Tessa Brink (Dustin), Rose Van Woerkom, Ruth Vos
- Jan. 9 = Rog Fynaardt, Tristen Meinders (Brian)
- Jan. 10 = Kohen De Bruin (Joel), Arvin Van Engelenhoven, Jeannene Veenstra  
Kyle & Merideth De Ronde
- A **Church-Wide Birthday & Anniversary List** was in your mailbox last week. You will notice that there are several of each that we do not have dates for. If you are one of those or if we inadvertently missed yours, would you please get the information to Sue and she will update the records accordingly. Thanks!

### CARE GROUPS:

- The 2019 Care Group List were in your mailbox last week. Please look them over carefully as updates have been made. If you have questions or see changes that need to be made, please let your Care Group Elder know.

### SUMMER 2019 CHURCH WORK-TRIP:

- Summer of 2019 plans are being made for another all-church work trip to impact our local community. There will be opportunities in Oskaloosa with Habitat for Humanity and local charities. One major project we are planning is a Maintenance Building at Lake View Camp. This building would allow Lake View Camp to use the buildings they now have for day camps. Some of the lumber needed is already on site and a local builder has steel available at half price. We have an opportunity to be used by God to change children's lives for eternity. Estimated cost at this time is \$12,000. If you feel God calling you to donate to this project, the funds can be given to the deacons or placed in the offering plate. Please designate them to the Mission Fund "Lake View Maintenance Building".

### 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:**

### LOCATION CHANGE!

- The Distinctively Healthy Church Annual Event on January 12 has changed locations. We will no longer be at Faith CRC, but at CALVARY CRC. This is a one day event on the impact intergenerational ministry has on the local church. Speakers include Dr. Syd Hielema, Pastor Joel DeBoer, Peter Kelder, Trudy Ash and Jill Friend. All are welcome. (We recommend attending as a team or a small group.)
  - ~ Where? Calvary CRC (408 Maple St, Pella, IA 50219)
  - ~ When? Saturday, Jan. 12, 9:00 AM to 2:30 PM (Doors open at 8:30AM.)
  - ~ Who? People who love their church! (Bring your church leadership team or a group of key leaders.)
  - ~ Cost? \$35/Individual or \$30/ individual in a group of 4 or more (Fee includes light breakfast, lunch, snacks and materials.)
  - ~ How do I sign up? RSVP to Trudy Ash by email ([tash@crcna.org](mailto:tash@crcna.org)) and pay at the door. (Registration deadline is January 10.)

### 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](mailto:haroldtwyla@yahoo.com)

### FROM CRC NEWS:

- **From Back to God Ministries International:**
  - ~ Groundwork – All You Need: If you spend any time watching TV or trolling the internet, you'll quickly discover there's a lot you just can't live without...at least according to advertisers. Join Groundwork as we study the Apostle Paul's reminder to early Christians and to us in 1 Thessalonians 1 that in Christ we have all we need in life. Listen now at [www.GroundworkOnline.com](http://www.GroundworkOnline.com) and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

~ *What Not to Wear*: Lacey talks Lucille into buying clothes she knows her mother won't want her to wear. What happens when Lucille starts lying and hanging out with the wrong gang of kids? What will Liz do? Listen now at [www.kidcorner.net](http://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.

- **Grant Opportunity for Churches:** The Calvin Institute of Christian Worship invites churches to apply for a Worshiping Communities Vital Worship Grant for a year of learning and focusing on worship in 2019-2020. The grants program welcomes proposals for projects that connect public worship to intergenerational faith formation and Christian discipleship, a theme that can unfold in many facets of worship from Bible reading to preaching to baptism and Lord's Supper, intercessory prayer, congregational song, visual arts, and more. Information can be found at [www.worship.calvin.edu/grants](http://www.worship.calvin.edu/grants). The deadline is January 10, 2019. Please consider applying!
- **From CRC Communications:** 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 final details and finishing touches for the website ([www.crcna.org/inspire](http://www.crcna.org/inspire)).
- **Family Faith Formation Tip:** It's true that that faith is "caught" just as much as it's "taught." Kids will learn to value Bible reading more if you let them "catch" you reading God's Word on your own—not just in church or during family devotions. Talk with them about what you're reading and how it connects with your daily life. (Faith Formation Ministries; [www.crcna.org/FaithFormation](http://www.crcna.org/FaithFormation))
- **Journey Through Egypt:** Join Resonate Global Mission on an Egypt Vision Tour. History comes alive as you learn how scripture is connected to ancient Egyptian monuments. Dates: April 2-10, 2019. For more information visit [www.resonateglobalmission.org/Egypt](http://www.resonateglobalmission.org/Egypt).
- **Volunteer Overseas:** Are you looking for ways to help end poverty, restore creation, and reconcile relationships? World Renew's Global Volunteer Program has overseas placements for individuals in language learning, health, agriculture, engineering, and more. If you are identifying God's call in your life or looking for an opportunity to use your gifts and skills, let's further God's kingdom together. To find out more, contact Andrew at [globalvolunteer@worldrenew.net](mailto:globalvolunteer@worldrenew.net).
- **Living Your Climate Witness Workshop Series - Cooler/Smarter:** Living Your Climate Witness is a 7-session workshop series designed to help individuals and families that want to get serious about reducing their carbon footprints. Each workshop will take place at a different congregation throughout Grand Rapids and will be facilitated by a Climate Witness Partner. The Climate Witness Project is a campaign of the Office of Social Justice and World Renew. We will also be sharing highlights from the sessions via video later—stay tuned! Learn more and register at [www.justice.crcna.org/cooler-smarter](http://www.justice.crcna.org/cooler-smarter)

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As we grow up, we learn that even the one person  
that wasn't supposed to ever let you down probably will.  
You will have your heart broken probably  
more than once and it's harder every time.  
You'll break hearts too, so remember how it felt when yours was broken.

You'll fight with your best friend.  
You'll blame a new love for things an old one did.  
You'll cry because time is passing too fast,  
and you'll eventually lose someone you love.

So take too many pictures, laugh too much,  
and love like you've never been hurt because every  
sixty seconds you spend upset is a minute  
of happiness you'll never get back.

Anonymous