

First Christian Reformed Church of Oskaloosa

Bulletin Supplement for 6/5/22

CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

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 COUNCIL:

- At her request, the professing membership of **Linae (De Bruin) Frasier** has been transferred to The Way in Newton, IA. May God bless her richly in her new church home.

FROM THE DEACONS:

- Monthly Offerings:** We would like the congregation to know that you may give at any time during the month to any of the causes we have scheduled. You DO NOT need to send separate checks each week, but one check with the offerings and other causes noted that you want the money to go towards would be fine.

June Offering Schedule:

Date	AM	P.M.
6/5	Resonate Global Mission	Benevolence
6/12	Mobility Worldwide	Christian Education Fund
6/19	Love, INC (In the Name of Christ)	Christian Opportunity Center
6/26	Christian Education Fund	Luke Society

- April Special Offerings** were as follows:

World Renew	\$ 4,270.00	Crossroad Prison Ministries	\$ 1,506.00
Crown Broadcasting	\$ 1,467.00	Resonate Global Mission	\$ 2,044.00
818 Forward with Faith	\$ 3,930.00		

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:

- Staffing:** Following are the opportunities for helping at Bible School, June 6-10, 2022.
 - ~ Craft Teachers – 1st Grade for M, W, & F
 - ~ Helpers (those who have finished 7th Grade) – 3-year-olds (1), 1st Grade (1), 2nd Grade (1), 4th Grade (1)
 - ~ Kitchen Help at 1st CRC: We are in need of a couple of ladies to organize the refreshments at 1st CRC.
 - ~ Those willing to help please email Pastor Boets at agboets@mahaska.org.
- Staff Dedication:** Staff Dedication for Vacation Bible School (June 6-10) will be held at 6:00 p.m. this evening at the Good News Chapel.
- Opening Exercises:** On Friday, June 10, parents are invited to attend the Opening Exercises. There will be **NO** Friday evening program this year.
- VBS Cookies:** Thanks to all who volunteered to donate cookies for VBS. If you haven't brought yours in yet, please do so ASAP. Please cross your name off the sheet that is taped to the upstairs kitchen freezer when you bring them in. Thanks!

2nd SUNDAY SUNDAES:

- The ice cream is coming! Next week, June 12, we will begin our Second Sunday Sundaes. This is our summertime fun where we make sundaes after our evening service on June 12, July 10 and August 14. Ice cream is provided. Please bring toppings to share (i.e. fresh berries, homemade hot fudge, nuts, mini M&Ms, caramel sauce, whipped topping, brownie bites, etc.) and enjoy the fellowship after the evening service!

NEWSLETTER:

- All articles for the July/August Newsletter are due by Sunday, June 12.

BLOOD DRIVE:

- Our next Blood Drive will be held on Monday, June 20, 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. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, **NO** walk-in's are allowed. You must have a scheduled time and are encouraged to keep that time as closely as you can. Also, masks are still required; if you don't have one, one will be provided. Please eat before donating and bring your photo ID. Thanks!

ICE CREAM SOCIAL:

- Details:** The Tuesday Evening Coffee Break will be having an Ice Cream Social on Tuesday, June 21. Food will be served from 5 – 7:30 p.m. and a freewill offering will be taken. Make plans now to attend and bring a friend or neighbor. Someone is awaiting your invite!

- **Sign-Up Sheet:** There is a sign-up sheet on the Information Center Table for Food Donations, please take a moment to look it over and sign-up.

INFORMATION CENTER REPORTS:

- 1) Helper's Prayer Letter
- 2) Schering's Pacific Island Ministry Report
- 3) De Young's Prayer Letter

BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES:

- June 5 = Collin Covey, Levi De Bruin (Ben)
- June 6 = Paul Van Donselaar
- June 7 = Ken Hol
- June 8 = Lana De Groot, Shelly Grubbs
- June 9 = Kyle De Ronde, Pam Veenstra
Arvin & Dena Van Engelenhoven
- June 10 = Christie Meyer
Kurtis & Lisa De Bruin, Alex & Amy Fynaardt
- June 11 = Brynlee De Bruin (Adam)

OFFICE NEWS:

- Due to my helping with music at VBS this week, the office will be opening at 10:00 instead of 9. Thanks!

LOST AND FOUND:

- A set of keys has been turned into the office. Please see Sue to identify and claim.

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS:

PEACH & PECAN FUNDRAISER:

- Youth for Christ's Peach/Pecan Fundraiser is back! This year we are offering Cinnamon Sugar Pecans! You can pre-order now either by mailing in an order form (available on the Information Center table) with a check or you can order online at <https://sciyfc.givingfuel.com/peaches>. More details about the fundraiser are on the order form. PLEASE NOTE: There will only be 1 shipment of Peaches/Pecans this year and they will be coming the week of July 11. Pre-Orders are due by July 1.

ADVANCE NOTICE:

- Love, INC has announced the date for Mahaska Connect 2022. It will be held on Saturday, Nov. 5. More details will be coming in the months ahead.

FROM CRC NEWS:

- **From *The Banner*:** *The Banner*, the magazine of the CRC, will send news, features, and columns straight to your email inbox! Sign up for the weekly e-newsletter by visiting www.thebanner.org/signup. While you're there, you can sign up to receive *The Banner* print magazine straight to your door as well!
- **From ReFrame Ministries:**
 - ~ *Sharing Your Faith Relies on the Holy Spirit*: The events of Pentecost are significant for our ability to share our faith still today. Join Groundwork as we study this story in Luke 24:45-49, John 15:26-27, Acts 1:4-5, Acts 2:1-41, and Acts 10:44-48 and discover the power the Holy Spirit provides us to follow Jesus command to share our faith and make disciples for Him. Listen now at www.GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.
 - ~ *Understanding Pentecost*: Check out the new kids' devotion at www.kidscorner.net. The Spirit came in a powerful way and filled the people. That's because we serve a powerful God! The wind and fire are symbols for God's presence. Listen now at www.kidscorner.net and check out all the new content.
- **From CRC Communications:** Gather with Reformed believers from across the continent August 4-6 at Tinley Park, near Chicago, for Inspire 2022. Worship, learn, find fellowship, and be refreshed! Learn more and register at www.crcna.org/inspire.
- **Faith Practice Reflection Tip:** Reflection and Discussion Starter—the Practice of Wonder: Read Acts 2:1-21 and ponder or discuss the following questions. On this Pentecost Sunday, what do you wonder about the Acts 2 story? What surprises you or fills you with awe? How might you have reacted if you were part of the international crowd in Jerusalem and you heard the Gospel message for the first time in your own language? (For more on faith practices from Faith Formation Ministries, visit bit.ly/FaithPracticesProject)

– June’s Right Now Media Recommendation –

To encourage greater use of our church’s Right Now Media subscription, Pastor Jon is going to recommend a new video/resource for the congregation each month. For the month of June as we celebrate Pentecost, Pastor Jon recommends these two series connected to the Holy Spirit.

- **Micah’s Fruit of the Spirit** - Micah's Super Vlog is an animated Christian comedy about a boy named Micah, who learns (sometimes the hard way!) how to be a better follower of Jesus. Using his video log (vlog for short) he shares his thoughts on his friends, teachers, and scriptures.

Target Audience: 8-12 years old. (9 videos, 2-3 minutes each, Activity Pack available for download)

- **Who Is the Holy Spirit by Sinclair Ferguson** - Although the Holy Spirit is sometimes the forgotten Person of the Trinity, His presence and work is found throughout redemptive history. In this twelve-message series, Dr. Sinclair Ferguson traces the work of the third person of the Trinity through Scripture - from creation to the work of Christ to His dwelling in our hearts today. Along the way, he sheds light on the vital role the Holy Spirit serves. Dr. Ferguson's goal is to help us know the Holy Spirit as a person, in addition to knowing of His power and work within us.

Target Audience: Adult (12 videos, 25 minutes each, Study Guide available for download)

If there are other videos/resources that you have enjoyed or been edified by from Right Now Media, let Pastor Jon know and he may share your recommendation to the congregation.

“Ode to a VBS Worker”
by Sharon Shelton

My dishes went unwashed today, I didn’t touch a bed;
The kids and dad just had to go a little underfed.

But there’s a real good reason for this overwhelming mess,
And that’s because it’s time again for my church’s VBS.

My dishes and my beds, you know, will always wait for me;
But those little children there at church won’t wait that patiently.

For they are growing up right now before our very eyes,
And I must do my part to see their souls’ need supplied.

I’m tired and weary now, it’s true, and just a bit undone;
But, thank you God, for Your small friends. I love them everyone.

Lord, give me strength and patience, and a heart that’s full of cheer.
That you might find me once again in VBS next year.

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Notes of Council Meeting held Monday, May 31, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

All members present except Doug Boender, Matt Collins & Kyle De Ronde who were absent with notice.

- Council President Paul Van Donselaar calls meeting to order.
- Pastor Jon read from II Timothy 1:1-7 and opened with devotions and prayer.
- Reviewed Church Order
- Council Minutes of April 25, 2022 – *approved*.
- Old Business: Auditing of books is continuing
- Correspondence:
 - A. Council of Delegates Highlights were reviewed.
 - B. Minutes of the Classis Central Plains Meeting from 5/19/22 were reviewed.
- Items Added to the Agenda: None
- April Deacon Reports:
 - A. Deacon Marty Roberts reports for the General Fund:
 - 1. Budget envelopes \$ 18,677.71
 - 2. Balance \$ 21,019.13
 - B. Deacon Josh Van Donselaar reports for Benevolent and Enduring Gifts:
 - 1. Benevolent Fund \$ 11,646.74
 - 2. Enduring Gifts \$ 12,989.18
 - 3. Missions Fund \$ 832.51
 - 4. Associate Pastor Fund \$ 8,734.90
 - C. Deacon Matt Collins reports for the Building Fund: \$ 41,831.84
 - D. Deacon Brad McMahan reports for Special Offerings: \$ 20,479.57
 - E. Deacon Karl Boender reports for Christian Education Fund:
 - 1. Balance on hand 4/30/22 \$ 948.57
 - 2. Tuition owed to schools \$ 10,926.42
 - OSCI \$ 8,228.00
 - PCHS \$ 1,369.42
 - PCGS \$ 1,329.00
 - F. All financial reports – *approved* by adopted motion.
 - G. Deacon Kyle De Ronde submitted the Deacon’s minutes for April 25, 2022.
- July Deacon Report (given for information only):
 - A. Deacon Brad McMahan reports for the July offering schedule:

	<u>AM</u>	<u>PM</u>
7/3	Love, INC (In the Name of Christ)	Vital Men’s Ministries
7/10	Christian Education Fund	Joshua Christian Academy
7/17	Youth for Christ	Benevolence
7/24	Mission Fund	Gideons
7/31	Focus on the Family	Christian Education Fund
- Committee Reports:
 - A. Building & Grounds:
 - ~ Motion made to move the Communion Table to the Pulpit area. It will be back on the floor when Communion is served. *Motion carried.*
 - B. Records:
 - ~ Motion made to approve the transfer of Linae (De Bruin) Frasier to The Way in Newton. *Motion carried.*
 - C. Worship:
 - ~ Second Sunday Sundaes will begin June 12. Volunteers are welcome.
- Joys and Concerns were shared.
- Next Meeting: Monday, June 27, 2022, 7:00 p.m.
- Motion to adjourn prevails.
- Deacon Alex Fynaardt closed in prayer.