

First Christian Reformed Church of Oskaloosa

Bulletin Supplement for 5/25/25

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 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	A.M.	P.M.
6/1	Rehoboth Christian School	African Bible College
6/8	Ecumenical Food Cupboard	Dordt University
6/15	Vital Men Ministries	Geneva Campus Ministries
6/22	Heartland Christian Counseling	Christian Education Fund
6/29	World Renew	Missionary Support

MEMORIAL DAY BREAKFAST:

- The IGNITE Youth Group of 1st Christian Reformed Church invites you to a Memorial Day Breakfast on Monday, May 26, from 7:00 - 10:00 a.m. in the church fellowship hall. The menu includes pancakes (gluten free available upon request), sausages, cinnamon rolls, fruit cup and drink. We also have a “to-go” option available upon request. A free-will offering will be accepted. All proceeds will go towards future work trips. The youth group appreciates and thanks you for your support!!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:

- Cookies:** 40 dozen cookies (8 doz. per day) are needed from our church – we are currently at 29 dozen.
 - ~ There is a sign-up sheet on the Information Center table if you are willing to serve in this way.
 - ~ Please **do not** use nuts or peanut butter. Suggestions are Sugar, Chocolate Chip or M&M Cookies. Thanks!
 - ~ Please note: VBS starts on June 2. Please bring the cookies to First CRC by Sunday June 1 and put on the VBS table. Linda Kelley will take them to the Chapel after the morning service.
 - Staff Meetings** at Good News Chapel:
 - *Transportation & Rec Team – Tuesday, May 27, at 5:30 p.m.
 - *VBS Decorating – All are welcome to help! Wednesday, May 28, at 4:00 p.m.
 - *Worship Rally Practice – Thursday, May 29, at 6:00 p.m.
 - *VBS Set-Up Team – Friday, May 30, at 5:30 p.m.Set up classrooms and sanctuary, Teachers may decorate their rooms.
- Note: All meetings will take place in the basement, use the basement door to enter. Any questions? Contact Linda Kelley at vbs@gncosky.org or call/text 641-660-3918.
- Display Board:**
 - *Activities: Hey Kids! Help yourself to the coloring pages and word search on the VBS table.
 - *Enrollment: Parents can fill out enrollment forms on the table.
 - *Prayer Calendar: Interested in praying for VBS? There’s a prayer calendar available with daily ideas of what to pray for the month before VBS!
 - Thanks** to all who have volunteered to be a part of this important ministry!

CHURCH SOFTBALL:

- Church Softball games will be starting this week. We have 3 teams this year. Team #1 coached by Brad McMahan, Team #2 coached by Ben Boender and Team #3 coached by Zach Van Donselaar. Please see the schedule in your mailbox and look for game times to be listed on the church calendar. Unless specified, the games will be played at the Kentfield diamond located just west of the pond in Edmundson Park. Come out and support our teams!

BLOOD DRIVE:

- Our next Blood Drive will be held on Monday, June 2. The drive is from 2:00 – 7:00 p.m. We have 80 slots this time, so if you would like to donate and have not been contacted, please contact Gene & Sue De Bruin. Please eat before donating and bring your photo ID. Thanks!

INFORMATION CENTER REPORTS: 1) Joel & Jeannie Huyser

DIRECTORY UPDATE:

- Please update your directories with the following:

Marion & Dorothy Vos
2102 S. Market Street
Room #152 (they moved rooms)
Oskaloosa, IA 52577

Jim & Marilyn Brummel
Fair Haven East
607 East 3rd Street
Pella, IA 50219

BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES:

- May 25 = Ben B (Doug), Kelly P
- May 26 = Alex F, Dallas F (Alex)
- May 27 = Linda VV
- May 28 = Jim & Faye D
- May 29 = Kyah C (Joel DB)
- May 30 = Carol DR-R
- May 31 = Mike & Mary Beth J

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS:

FROM PEORIA CHRISTIAN SCHOOL:

- **Memorial Day Service:** You are invited to a Memorial Day Service to be held at the Peoria Christian School Gym at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, May 26. Joel Rietema will be the speaker. Refreshments will be served.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

- Volunteers are needed at Oskaloosa Christian! We are excited for the updates that will be made in some of our classrooms this summer, and we need YOUR help! We're looking for strong hands and willing hearts to help with some important moving and cleanup tasks. Can you help on Friday, May 30 and/or Saturday, May 31 (anytime between 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.)? We will be removing ceiling tiles and carrying them to the dumpster, moving boxes, and carrying student desks and chairs to the gym. Whether you can come for an hour or stay all day, every bit of help makes a big difference. Bring a friend, roll up your sleeves, and be part of something great! Thank you!

FROM PELLA CHRISTIAN:

- You're Invited! Pella Christian's Clay Target Team Annual Fun Shoot & BBQ Fundraiser
Marion County Sportsman Club, 1702 Old Hwy 92, Knoxville, IA
Saturday, June 28 | Starts at 2:00 PM
BBQ Supper: 5:00–7:00 PM | Senior Recognition: 7:00 PM
Join us for an afternoon of food, fun, and friendly competition!
~ Shooting events (shooting is optional): Trap, Doubles Trap, Skeet, 5 Stand.
~ Prize Drawings: Rossi .22 • Henry 17 HMR • Mossberg 12GA • Savage .400 w/Scope • Pilla Glasses •
Spa Package • Gift Cards • Traeger Grill
Support our biggest fundraiser of the year and help keep team costs affordable. Celebrate our seniors and wrap up the year with a bang! Please contact Tiffany Roozeboom at 641-660-6716 with any questions.

FROM CRC NEWS:

- **From ReFrame Ministries:**
~ Groundwork – Money and the Attitude of Your Heart: Can we strike a balance between being grateful for what we have and not being overly attached to it? Join Groundwork as we dig into Mark 10:17-27, Matthew 6:19-24, and 1 John 2:15-17 to reflect on such a balanced attitude toward money and possessions. Listen now at www.GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.
~ Kids Corner Devotions – Guarding Our Hearts: Check out this week's kids' devotion, "Guarding Our Hearts" at www.kidscorner.net. The Bible tells us to be careful about what we read, watch, and listen to because it affects our hearts and actions. If you ever see or hear something that doesn't feel right, choose to stop and talk to a parent about it! Check out all the great content at www.kidscorner.net, like KC's Coloring Packet Collection.
- **40 Days of Prayer for Synod 2025:** It's not too late! Pray-ers from around the denomination and the world began praying for Synod 2025 on May 4, but new pray-ers are always welcome. With prayers contributed by a wide variety of CRC writers, join us as we seek God's guidance and presence for this year's synod. Learn more and sign up for either daily Scripture and prayers OR a week's worth of Scripture and prayers that will be emailed to you. www.crcna.org/synod/prayerThrive.
- **Thrive Faith Formation Tip:** This week we celebrate Ascension Day on Thursday. Romans 8:34 tells us that Jesus "is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us" (NIV). As you think about Christ interceding for us in heaven, what do you imagine He's asking God the Father for on your behalf? Brought to you by Thrive: www.crcna.org/Thrive