First Christian Reformed Church of Oskaloosa Bulletin Supplement for 9/14/25

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 COUNCIL:

• Classis Meeting: Classis Central Plains will be meeting this Friday & Saturday, Sept. 19 & 20, at Sully CRC. Our delegates are Pastor Jon, Elder Tim Jabaay & Deacon Mitchel Veenstra. Alternates are Elder Lucas De Groot & Deacon Adam De Bruin. Please keep all the delegates in your prayers for safety in travel and wisdom in the decisions that need to be made.

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.

September Offering Schedule:

Date	A.M.	P.M.
9/7	Jared & Anna De Young	Joshua Christian Academy
9/14	Christian Education Fund	Gideons
9/21	Fellowship of Christian Athletes	818 Forward with Faith
9/28	The "B" Family	Missionary Support

FROM IGNITE:

- **Kick-Off:** The IGNITE Youth Group will be kicking off the season on Wednesday, <u>Sept. 17</u>, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Irv & Anne De Bruin's (2319 290th St., Oskaloosa). Supper will be provided, students are asked to bring a snack to share, bring your lawn chair, and bring a friend. There are a wide range of activities being planned. All high school students are invited to join us! You won't want to miss all the fun, food and fellowship. The IGNITE leaders hope to see you on September 17! If you have any questions, please contact Vicki at 641-295-4543.
- **Requests:** We would like each student to bring a 12 pack of their favorite drink to the church on our first meeting night which will be <u>Sept. 24.</u>
- Care Packages: We will be packaging (7) care packages for the previous seniors on Oct. 1, so be thinking of items you would like to include in those packages.
- **Ping Pong Table:** IGNITE is looking for a foldable ping pong table for the youth to use on Wednesday nights. Do you have one that you might like to donate? Please contact Anne DeBruin at 660-9520.

INFORMATION CENTER UPDATE:

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2) Olsen Family Prayer Update 5) Love, INC Newsletter

3) Werner's From Sunrise Land

6) MCCA Newsletter

4) Huyser's September Newsletter

7) Schering's August Newsletter

BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES:

Sept. 14	= Luke B (Doug)
Sept. 16	= Anna G (Joel), Laura G
Sept. 17	= Hazel C (Matt), Tony H
	Larry & Mary V
Sept. 18	= Doug B, Sandy R
	Brennan & Jenny P, Jeremy & Kristen VD
Sept. 19	= Caroline J (Tim)
Sept. 20	= Skylar M (Trent)

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS:

FROM LOVE, INC:

- **Attention Golfers!** Join us for a great day on the green! Love INC of Mahaska County is hosting a Golf Tournament on Saturday, <u>Sept. 20</u>, at Edmundson Golf Course.
 - ~ Shotgun Start: 10:00 AM
 - ~ Cost: \$90 per golfer or \$350 per foursome

- To register, email your list of players and let us know if you need a cart to: <u>events@loveincmahaska.org</u> Questions? Contact Keith Van Donselaar at 641-780-6802. Come out, have fun, and support Love INC!
- Mahaska Connect will be held on Saturday, Nov. 8, at Fellowship Bible Church. There is a Volunteer Sign-Up sheet on the Information Center table. Church volunteers may also sign-up on our website at www.loveincmahaska.org under the "Mahaska Connect" tab. What a testimony for our community to see the partnership of churches working together to serve our neighbors. If you have any questions, please reach out to Susan at 676-3750.

FROM PELLA CHRISTIAN:

- Christian College Fair: Meet admissions personnel, gather important financial aid information, and explore a wide variety of Christian colleges and universities. Join us at Pella Christian High School on Monday, Sept. 22, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. All college-bound students and their families are welcome. Admission is free. Registration in advance is highly recommended. Use this link for more information: https://www.findyourchristiancollege.com/college-fairs/pella-area-ia-christian-college-fair. Contract Trixanna Wang at wangt@pceagles.org with questions.
- Pulled Pork Fundraiser for Todd Vander Molen: Please join us on Wednesday, <u>Sept 24</u>, from 5:00-7:00 p.m. at Pella Christian High. See poster in the hallway for more details.

HUSBANDS/FATHERS:

• Husbands, do you desire to reignite romance in your marriage? Fathers, do you have a teenage son you need to have "the sex talk" with but don't know how? Faith Church of Pella (215 E. University St.) invites you to a two-day event with author and therapist Sam Jolman who will help us ignite romance in our marriages and equip us to have "the sex talk" with our sons that goes far beyond just biology. Join us at Faith Church on Friday, Oct. 3, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. for a couples evening where Sam will speak on "Recovering Your Romance" and again on Saturday, Oct. 4, from 7:30-10:30 a.m. for a Father/Son Breakfast where Sam will offer "The Not Awkward Sex Talk". RSVP is not required but appreciated. For more information check out the Faith Church website, www.faithcrcpella.org or to reserve your spot call or email Faith Church at 641-628-1335 or pastor@faithcrcpella.org.

FROM CRC NEWS:

• From ReFrame Ministries:

- ~ <u>Groundwork Be A Disciple of Jesus Christ:</u> Many Christians have questions about following Jesus. Join Groundwork as we study 1 Timothy 4:7-8, 1 Peter 2:2-5, and 1 Timothy 2:1-3 to help us define discipleship, understand what this means for the lives of His disciples today, and discover the importance of community on our journey. Listen now at www.GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.
- ~ <u>Kid's Corner:</u> Check out this week's kids' devotion, "Baking With God" at <u>www.kidscorner.net</u>. In the devotion story today, a good time for prayer was when the family spent time baking bread. Each of us has different routines, so when is the best time for you to pray? Maybe it's when you ride your bike to school or when you spend time building with Legos. Check out all the great content at <u>www.kidscorner.net!</u>
- From CRC Heritage Fund: Have you ever considered giving real estate to your favorite CRC Ministry? Many people are able to give more than they ever thought possible by giving a vacation home, rental property, farmland or other real estate to CRC Ministries. It's a smart way to redirect property you no longer need for the benefit of God's Kingdom. Learn more at www.crcna.org/heritagefund or call Josh Remer, CRCNA Planned Giving Advisor at 616-223-5885.
- From World Renew: Thousands of families are still experiencing urgent need from the devastating 6.0 magnitude earthquake that struck Afghanistan on August 31, followed by multiple aftershocks across remote, mountainous regions in several eastern provinces. More than 2,200 lives have been lost, and entire villages have been leveled leaving families without shelter as winter approaches. We pray for God's comfort for grieving families, healing for the injured, and provision for those displaced. World Renew is responding to meet urgent needs among the most vulnerable. Please give generously at www.worldrenew.net/afghanistan-earthquake or by calling 1-800-552-7972. Let us stand together to extend God's hope to families impacted by this disaster.
- Thrive Faith Formation Tip: This week is Mission Emphasis Week in the Christian Reformed Church, a time to think about God's mission to restore and renew His broken creation through Jesus Christ (see Rev. 21:1–4). It is also a time to renew our participation in that mission by supporting missionaries nearby and far away and by creating our own descriptions of God's mission a few sentences that describe what God is doing and why we are glad He's doing it. Practice sharing your sentences with one another, and then look for opportunities to share them with others! Brought to you by Thrive: www.crcna.org/Thrive.