

# First Christian Reformed Church of Oskaloosa

## Bulletin Supplement for 5/24/26

### CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

#### 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.

#### May Offering Schedule:

<u>Date</u>	<u>A.M.</u>	<u>P.M.</u>
5/3	Jamin & Lynelle (De Bruin) Lorch	Crown Broadcasting (KCWN)
5/10	Pella Pro-Life	Gospel Singers Male Chorus
5/17	ReFrame Ministries	Child Evangelism Fellowship
5/24	SONshine Preschool	GEMS International
5/31	Love, INC (In the Name of Christ)	Missionary Support

#### MEMORIAL DAY BREAKFAST:

- The Ignite Youth Group of 1<sup>st</sup> Christian Reformed Church invites you to a Memorial Day Breakfast on Monday, May 25, 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. Proceeds will go towards the 2026 Summer Mission trip to Loveland, Colorado working with a non-profit organization called Serve 6.8. The youth group appreciates and thanks you for your support!!

#### BLOOD DRIVE:

- Our next Blood Drive will be held on Monday, June 1. The drive is from 2:00 – 7:00 p.m. 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!

#### VBS:

- **Meeting Dates:** VBS is fast approaching. Please put these meeting dates on your calendar:
  - ~ VBS Transportation & Rec Team Meeting on Tuesday, May 26, at 5:30 p.m.
  - ~ VBS Decorating (All are welcome to help!) on Wednesday, May 27, at 4:00 p.m.
  - ~ VBS Worship Rally Meeting (for PowerPoint & Skits) on Thursday, May 28, at 5:00 p.m.
  - ~ VBS Set-Up Team Meeting (finish getting ready for VBS!) on Friday, May 29, at 5:30 p.m.
  - ~ VBS June 1-5 from 9:00 to 11:30 a.m.
- **Display Box:**
  - \*Activities: Hey Kids! Help yourself to the coloring page from the VBS box.
  - \*Enrollment: Parents can fill out enrollment forms from the VBS box.
  - \*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!
- **Cookies:** VBS is rapidly approaching. We (1<sup>st</sup> CRC) have been asked to provide 40 dozen cookies (8 dz per day) and we currently have 34 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!
  - ~ Just a reminder that all classes will be meeting at the Chapel so cookies will need to be brought over there by Monday, June 1.
- **Thanks** to all who have volunteered to be a part of this important ministry!

#### IGNITE INFO:

- **Summer Mission Trip:** The 2026 Ignite Youth Group Summer Mission Trip this year is to Loveland, Colorado, June 27-July 4. We are working with the non-profit organization Serve 6.8 who will be organizing our projects. Project season is just beginning to open up so we do not know yet what our projects will be, but if you are interested in learning more about the organization you can check out their website at [www.serve68.org](http://www.serve68.org). Our living accommodations will be at River Church in Loveland. We will be responsible for all of our meals during the week so be watching for a food sign-up sheet in the coming days. Please pray for the leaders as they continue to make plans for this great opportunity to serve the folks of Loveland!

- **Donations Needed:** Ignite Youth Group is requesting donations of food items for our Summer Mission Trip to Loveland, Colorado! Since we will not have access to an oven during the trip, we are having to get creative with meal planning. There is a sign-up sheet located across from the Information Center Table in the foyer for you to sign-up.

~ Please bring non-perishable items to the church by June 21 and place them in the box located in the upstairs kitchen.

~ Frozen items should be put in the basement freezer by June 21.

~ All other perishable items should be brought to the church by June 26.

Please mark all donations with “Ignite Mission Trip.” We greatly appreciate donations to help keep our group fed and energized while we serve. The Ignite Youth Group Leaders and students thank you for your generosity!!

**BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES/PRAYER OPPORTUNITY:**

- May 24 = Tegan P (Chris), Sharon S
- May 25 = Ben B, Kelly P
- May 26 = Alex F, Dallas F (Alex)
- May 27 = Linda VV
- May 28 = Jim & Faye D
- May 29 = Kyah P
- May 30 = Carol DR-R

**INFORMATION CENTER UPDATES:**

- 1) Perrin’s *From Sunrise Land*                      2) *Helpers On Mission in South Africa*

**REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**MEMORIAL DAY BREAKFAST:**

- You are invited to the Annual Memorial Day Breakfast to support the Pella Christian High School softball team. We will be serving from 7:30 – 10:00 a.m. on Monday, May 25, at the Pella Christian High School cafeteria. Menu includes biscuits and gravy, fruit cup, cinnamon roll, sausage patty, OJ, milk and coffee. Free-will donations will be accepted.

**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 25. Iowa House Representative Barb Kniff McCulla will be the speaker. Refreshments will be served.

**FROM CRC NEWS:**

- **From ReFrame Ministries:**
  - ~ *Groundwork – God Redeems:* The biblical theme of redemption is unique to Christian theology and sets Christianity apart from other religions. Join Groundwork as we study Genesis 12:1-5, Ephesians 1:3-11, Galatians 2:20-21, and Ephesians 2:1-5 to trace God’s story of redemption from Genesis to the ultimate sacrifice of our Savior Jesus Christ and talk about living redeemed lives as we go about our daily lives. Listen now at [www.GroundworkOnline.com](http://www.GroundworkOnline.com) and subscribe to Groundwork’s weekly emails for future episodes.
  - ~ *Kids Corner Devotions: Stephen – Things Get Tough:* Check out this week’s kids’ devotion, “Stephen: Things Get Tough” at [www.kidscorner.net](http://www.kidscorner.net). Learn how to be brave and keep trusting Jesus even when others are unkind. Discover that Jesus is always with you, giving you strength and reminding you that you are never alone. Check out all the great content at [www.kidscorner.net](http://www.kidscorner.net), like the Bible Story coloring pages available on the KC activities page.
- **Thrive Faith Formation Tip:** Today we celebrate Pentecost, the festival when Jesus’ promise to send His Spirit to all believers was fulfilled (Acts 2:1-41). This is a great time to celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit and the birth of the church. For ways in which you can celebrate as a family or with friends, download God’s Big Pentecost Story: A Celebration for Families ([www.DwellCurriculum.org/Home](http://www.DwellCurriculum.org/Home)). Brought to you by Thrive: [www.crcna.org/Thrive](http://www.crcna.org/Thrive).

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“Those who have long enjoyed such privileges as we enjoy  
 forget in time that men have died to win them.”

Franklin D. Roosevelt