

# THE COMMUNICATOR

APRIL 24, 2024

## Weekly Calendar

APRIL 24 - MAY 1

**Wednesday, April 24**

**6:00-8:00pm-**  
High School Youth Group

**Saturday, April 27**

**7:00am-** Fresh Encounter

**10:00AM-** AA (via Zoom)

See page 2 for details

**Sunday, April 28**

**8:00, 9:00 & 10:45AM-** Worship Services

**10:10am-** Sunday School

**Monday, April 29**

**6:30pm-** Church Softball  
(Sherman Park- Diamond D)

**7:00pm-** Men's Bible Study

**9:15pm-** Church Softball  
(Sherman Park- Diamond C)

**Tuesday, April 30**

**9:30-11am-** Play Group

**Wednesday, May 1**

**6:00-8:00pm-**

High School Youth Group

**6:00-7:00pm-** Flower Patch Women's Group  
(chapel)



**DID YOU MISS THE PARENTING  
EVENT LAST SATURDAY?**

Check out some of the  
content/videos from that event at  
<https://communityrc.org/parenting-tools>

## CLYDE'S ARTICLE

The rains have come, and the grass is turning green. That is a sign of spring. I know they are talking about a little warming this week, so the green may start to pop. Rain for the weekend...not bad for April. I know we are all ready for spring. Winters seem to hang on for as long as possible, that is for sure. We are into the last days of April now, as the calendar just continues to press forward. Where does the time go? We always say that, but it is so true. There are lots of graduations coming up very soon and those kinds of activities. I am always amazed at who those kids are. I still have them all in middle school, but no, they are seniors now. I am sure most of you parents are feeling and thinking that same way.

Sunday, we will be meeting to do our final selections for Elders and Deacons. The last two newsletters, we've had brief bios of those candidates, if you would like to read through those. They are all good people. You did a fine job of nominating some very capable folks to fill those spots. We will be saying goodbye to a fine group of individuals this year as well. Our church has been through many things during their stay on the Consistory. Russ Hoogendoorn, Tom Van Roekel, Tom Bosch, Corey Feenstra, Grant Boltjes, and Kenny Hartzell are leaving us this year. We thank them for their witness to the power of God and for their willingness to take us on this continued journey of faith.

This past Saturday we did a couple of activities at the church. We hosted a parenting seminar with our own Zach Seefeldt and an author/speaker, Sarah Moore, from Boulder Colorado. Zach's presentation centered around social media and its effect on young people. As Zach stated, he was going to give us a lot of information to digest and indeed he did. It is a complicated potential problem out there for our children and one that often confounds and frustrates parents. Sarah Moore's presentation centered around the fruit of the Spirit and how parents taking on those qualities can then discipline their children from that heart set. Again, it was a lot of information, but it was a refreshing look at parenting from a Bible viewpoint. She is good at what she does. Thanks, to those speakers and for those who did a lot of extra work behind the scenes to make that event work. The second event was the game night/homemade pie night. There was a great turnout for that event with some good fellowship around the tables and lots of good food. I'm not much for board games, but I did enjoy Trudi's peach pie. She was very kind and made sure there was some left for me as it was a very popular choice. Thanks again to that group who set all of that up. Once again, people working behind the scenes to make some good things happen. It was a good Saturday at Community!

This coming Sunday, our message is the woman at the well. I have done this story several times over the years, but this time it is that look from this angle of how Jesus is going to deal with this one who came thirsty. Even as I write those words I began to think about this encounter in a new way. She has been chasing the emptiness in her life in ways that have not satisfied. She is like so many that have put their hopes on another person to fill that space. When one person doesn't work, they just move to the next one. She is struggling, but also very religious. She is about to meet Jesus. We'll talk more on Sunday. Have a great week!

## CONGREGATIONAL MEETING SUNDAY, APRIL 28TH 10:10AM

### THOSE NOMINATED FOR DEACON INCLUDE:

JUSTIN HINKS  
JOEL KRAAYENBRINK  
JORDAN LIPP  
CHAD ODENS  
RYAN VANDERAA  
TOM WEERHEIM

### THOSE NOMINATED FOR ELDER INCLUDE:

SUSAN BIERWAGEN  
MIKE BOYENGA  
KRIS DUNLAP  
BILL KLEIN  
DAVE NELSON  
CURT ZWART

Here's a short bio for those nominated for deacon.  
Bios for each elders were printed in last week's newsletter.

Justin Hinks- Father who is incredibly proud of his son (Wes), married to my best friend (Angie), Child of God. Our family lives in Tea, SD where Wes attends Tea Middle School. Angie and I work in Sioux Falls. We enjoy spending time outside, working in the garage, and generally trying to uplift those around us.

My name is Joel Kraayenbrink and my family and I have been members of Community Reformed Church since 2008. I grew up in Hull, IA. I met my wife, Kari in college in 2002 and we have spent most of our married lives in Sioux Falls. We have three children: Kaylee 13, Tyson, 7, and Wyatt 6, all who currently attend Sioux Falls Christian. It is a humbling honor to be nominated to serve my church family as a Deacon and I look forward to potentially serving in this role.

Jordan Lipp, 43 years old and I am a Financial Advisor at Falls Planning Group and have been in the industry for 16 years. My wife Teresa, is the director of the church nursery at Community and we have two amazing children, Kyler (8) & Kayslin (4). We have been members at Community for the past 12 years.

Chad Odens has been married to Melanie for 21 years, father of Luke (12) and Julia (10). He is son of Rich and Carolyn Odens at Community. Chad attended Northwestern College in Orange City, and has been a software engineer at Omnitech in Sioux Falls for 21 years. Chad has attended Community since childhood.

My name is Ryan VanDeraa. My family and I have been going to Community for 14 years. I am married to my wife, Emily. We have 4 kids. Landon (11), Hannah (9), Morgan (7), and Tanner (5). My suggestion for those who want to find their place at Community is to get involved with activities and volunteer. We have found a family here and my hope is others do as well.

## PRAYER REQUESTS

### NEW PRAYER REQUESTS

### ONGOING PRAYER REQUESTS

- Roy Eeten
- Joan Schouten (pulmonary embolism)
- Randi Van Der Slood (cancer treatments)
- Tony & Spring (IVF)
- Lois Hoff's mom, Marlene (hospice)
- Evita Attema (cancer)
- Susan Bierwagen's sister, Marlene
- Dave Van Dine (vascular)
- Russ Hoogendoorn's friend, Duane
- Melanie Oden's sister, Amber (breast cancer)
- Evita Attema's sister, Lilli (cancer)
- Ellen Nelson Garner (chronic airway disease- recovery from procedure)
- Jeris VanZee (Mantle Cell Lymphoma)
- Justin & Sandy Heimdal and family (house fire)
- Darla Moulton's son-in-law, Neil (cancer)
- Rick Hoogendoorn (pancreatic cancer)
- Holli Jans' dad, Milt (cancer)
- Junella Wesselink's sister (cancer)
- Irwin Van Leeuwen (cancer treatment)
- Kyle Wigg (liver transplant recovery)
- Brian Frisbee (ongoing rehab)
- Aaralyn Van Der Slood
- Rick Norris (cancer)
- Pete & Jan Mellema's son-in-law, Chris
- Steve Lee (awaiting lung transplant)
- Jenna Hoogendoorn (transplant recovery)
- Kristy Mouw's sister-in-law, Mindy (cancer)
- Susan Bierwagen's uncle, Darrell (cancer)
- Jodie Jensen (cancer treatments/heart)
- Tracee Ellwein's dad

## FINANCES

Sunday, April 21, 2024

General: \$16,630  
Vision: \$290  
Missions: \$520

General YTD: \$218,028  
Vision YTD: \$16,031  
Vision Account Balance: \$33,228

# MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL



**UNLOCKED**  
**YOUTH WORSHIP NIGHT**

SUNDAY MAY 5TH  
DOORS OPEN AT 5:30 PM  
TACOS AT 6:00PM  
WORSHIP AT 7:00PM

OPEN TO ALL STUDENTS 6-12 GRADE

GAMES FOOD  
LIVE MUSIC BONFIRE



CHURCH WILL BE OPEN THROUGHOUT THE DAY

**THURSDAY, MAY 2ND**  
**7:00AM-7:00PM**

**NATIONAL DAY**  
*of* **PRAYER**

PRAY FOR OUR NATION

## ONGOING MINISTRIES

### ..... FRESH ENCOUNTER

Join us for prayer on Saturday mornings at 7am via Zoom or in person in our chapel. People can join via video or using the call-in number if video is not an option.

Join via phone: (346) 248-7799  
Meeting website:  
<https://zoom.us/j/862139432>  
Meeting ID: 862 139 432  
Password: 853781

Call Shawn Blom at  
605-940-6702 with questions.

### ..... MISSION OF THE MONTH

Bishop Dudley House

### ..... AA BIG BOOK MEETING

AA meeting are held in-person or via Zoom on Saturdays at 10:00am.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87467618339?pwd=N1Niems0MG5vdk0reVZUTHlIWkgxZz09>

Please contact Tom Jacobs  
(tjstonegate@gmail.com) for meeting access.

### ..... SENIOR CITIZENS

Senior Citizens will meet on Monday, **May 13** at noon at the East 10th Pizza Ranch. Questions, please call Connie Parmley, 605-275-0030. Everyone welcome!

### ..... BOOK CLUBS

The evening book club will meet Tuesday, May 15, at 7 pm at the church. We will be discussing *Extraordinary Deaths of Mrs. Kip* by Brunsvold.

The morning book club will meet Wednesday, May 21 at 9 am at the Bagel Boy on Minnesota Ave. We will be discussing *Wednesday Wars* by Schmidt. Interested in joining a book club? We'd love to have you join us!

### ..... CHURCH SOFTBALL

Come cheer on the church softball team at Sherman Park.

**Monday, April 29**  
6:30pm- Diamond D  
9:15pm- Diamond C

**COMMUNITY REFORMED CHURCH**  
**6800 E. 41 STREET**  
**SIOUX FALLS, SD 57110**

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**REQUESTS FOR MEMBERSHIP & BAPTISM...**

**If you would like to request membership or baptism, please  
e-mail the church office at [connect@communityrc.org](mailto:connect@communityrc.org).  
We are doing individual family baptism after the 10:45am  
service until further notice.**

**NEED GROCERIES? OR GAS?**

**Gift cards for HyVee, Fareway & Sunshine can be purchased  
every Sunday morning at the coffee bar. 5% of that purchase  
will go toward our Vision Fund at church.**

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**Josiah Dunlap**

Part-Time IT Coordinator