



THE COMMUNICATOR

AUG 30, 2023

Weekly Calendar

AUG 30 - SEPT 6

Saturday, Sept. 2

7:00am- Prayer Ministry
10:00AM- AA (via Zoom)
See details page 2 for details

Sunday, Sept. 3

8:00, 9:00 & 10:45AM- Worship Service
10:10am- Adult Sunday School

Monday, Sept. 4

Office Closed

Tuesday, Sept. 5

9:30-11am- Play Group
7:00-8:00pm- WD40
Women's Discipleship group

**KICKOFF
SUNDAY
BLOCK
PARTY**

**SUNDAY
SEPTEMBER 10
11:45-2:00pm**

CLYDE'S ARTICLE

It is the last week of August. When we meet again this weekend it will be Labor Day Weekend and September will be upon us. Summer always goes so fast. Things are still green around the area, and as I drove through parts of Iowa last weekend, I was struck by how green things are in most of the areas. We have had some hot days, but it is summer, friends, and that's what summers do. The upcoming weekend sounds like it might get a little warm as well. Our friends at LifeLight might need a little cooling down time. All in all, it was a good summer and I know that many of you have been on the lakes and on vacations, enjoying that time with your families. I can't find a thing wrong with that. Fall is getting close now. I am ready...I hope you are as well.

I mentioned on Sunday morning that I was in Maurice, Iowa for our first gathering of our "hub" in the Kingdom Network. We spent the afternoon there doing a little church time together and sitting down around tables sharing thoughts with new friends. The Maurice Reformed Church hosted the event for us, and they did a fine job of taking care of all the details. Our president, Dave Izenart, brought a good word to us about what it means to be a part of this "new thing". We share a list of values, and I would also say we share a mission that sees the answer to all the world's challenges to be in the person of Jesus. I always leave those gatherings encouraged by the people I meet, and the common goals we share together. The other churches we are in partnership with are very good friends to know. I love that we understand what being a part of this group means. We all seek to encourage whatever is going on in each other's church mission by helping in whatever ways we can. Our connection with those folks is going to be a good thing as we move forward. We don't hassle around about issues...we bring a sense of the power of God in the life of the church and then an energy to go out share that joy and that purpose with our friends in our own context of church. It is very healthy. I like all of that!

Heather stated this morning (Monday) that she does need a little help with Sunday school. She said the early signup was fantastic and now crunch time is coming and she still needs a little more help. Pray that up friends! When we do this new series starting in a couple of weeks, we are going to be seeing the amazing value of being those who bring Christ to others. Our involvement in the lives of others can bring eternal differences that we can never fully comprehend as we do our daily lives. Teaching kids is a major part of that mission. We need your help. Talk to God...then talk to Heather. Be A Bringer!

This coming weekend, I am going to do a message that will be what I believe God will share as the week moves along. This is Monday as I am writing this...I still don't know what that is. I have been very still about that. I am waiting for a direction and the words to share. I have no idea what it will be, but I know something will arrive. God is not against me in this. We'll talk more on Sunday. Have a great week!

FALL

IT'S THE PERFECT
TIME TO JUMP IN!

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Tuesday, Sept. 5
WD40 Women's Group Starts

Wednesday, Sept. 6
H.S. Youth Group Starts

Sunday, Sept. 10
Block Party
11:45am-2pm

Middle School & High School Event
5:30-7:30pm

Sunday, Sept. 24
Sunday School Starts
10:05am

Wednesday, Oct. 4
Midweek Starts

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**SUNDAY
SEPTEMBER 10
11:45-2:00pm**

CATERED MEAL & INFLATABLES

ONGOING MINISTRIES

PRAYER MINISTRY

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

The Gideons

AA BIG BOOK MEETING

For the summer months, AA will be meeting 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, Sept. 11 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, Sept. 19, at 7 pm in the back of the chapel at church. We will be discussing *And Then We Laughed*.

The morning book club will meet Wednesday, Sept. 20, at 9 am at the Bagel Boy on Minnesota Ave. We will be discussing *The Dutch House*.

HOPE CIRCLE

The Hope Circle will meet on Sept. 19th at 7:00 pm. Helen is the hostess and Donna will lead lesson 7.

DOYLES' UPDATE

MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL



September is just about here, and with it comes the start of several things for the youth ministry. First off, the high school youth group (9th-12th) starts up the first Wednesday – September 6th. We will have a meal and time to hang out from 6:00-7:00 and then some mix of worship, lesson/discussion, and small groups from 7:00-8:00. Students are welcome to stay after for conversation and games as well. I am really looking forward to being back together this next week.

We also have our first middle and high school event on Sunday, September 10th. We will meet from 5:30-7:30 that evening for some food, some friendly competition between the middle and high school groups and some fun. You will notice this is the same day as the block party here at Community, which means that we will have some inflatables set up for the evening as well. So students, if you don't get to enjoy them Sunday morning, don't worry!

Finally, Sunday School starts up the final Sunday in September – the 24th. Our middle school and high school will be split up this year and my wife and I will be rotating between the two groups for the year. I am excited to have Abby partnering with me on Sundays again after a year off. Sundays are a great opportunity to continue to create relationships within the youth group as we study God's word, pray for one another and have some conversations about how the week of school went.

I can't wait to be together this fall! If you have any questions about the student ministry here at Community, feel free to reach out anytime!

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PRAYER REQUESTS

NEW PRAYER REQUESTS

ONGOING PRAYER REQUESTS

- Dalton Coffey (broken arm)
- Carolyn Odens (foot surgery)
- Chuck & Joyce Tarrell (recovery from car accident)
- Clarideth Kingsbury (cellulitis)
- Randi Van Der Sloom (cancer treatments)
- Carrie Valentine (ankle surgery)
- Stuart Schouten (Parkinson's disease)
- Holli Jans' dad, Milt (cancer)
- Junella Wesselink's sister (cancer)
- Kathy Klein
- Irwin Van Leeuwen (cancer treatment)
- Kyle Wigg (liver transplant recovery)
- Ellen Nelson Garner (chronic airway disease)
- Leah Reuwsaat's mom, Marie
- Brian Frisbee (ongoing rehab)
- Aaralyn Van Der Sloom
- Angie Bonnema's dad
- Rick Norris (cancer)
- Pete & Jan Mellema's son-in-law, Chris
- Steve Lee (awaiting lung transplant)
- Jenna Hoogendoorn (transplant recovery)
- Marcia Groeneweg's daughter, Rhonda (chemo)
- Kristy Mouw's sister-in-law, Mindy (cancer)
- Susan Bierwagen's uncle, Darrell (cancer)
- Jodie Jensen (cancer treatments/heart)
- Tracee Ellwein's dad

CONDOLENCES

Our condolences go out to Ron Hup and his family for the passing of his mother. She was 94. Please keep the family in your prayers.

Our condolences go out to Holli Jans and her family for the recent passing of her uncle, Jerry. Please keep their family in your prayers.



HEATHER'S UPDATE

KID'S MINISTRY

Hi Everyone!

We are back in the swing of things out here. The parking lot was full of students from the school next door as they practiced fire drills, and it made me smile to see them. The neighborhood really did pop up around us on Faith Ave and it is a blessing!

Plan to join us for Sunday School, beginning on September 24.

We still need teachers and helpers. Sign up at: <https://tinyurl.com/49t5tkw4>

Most of the classes have one experienced teacher already signed up, so what we need is to add another person so that there is flexibility with scheduling. We want to be sure no one needs to commit to being here every weekend.

- The 3- and 4-year-old kids need another teacher and more helpers as it is looking like a nice big class this year.
- The 4- and 5-year-old preschool kids need another teacher.
- Kindergarten needs teachers and helpers. Grab a friend and sign up together.
- 1st Grade could use another helper. This class has experienced teachers so signing up to lend a hand should be pretty easy.
- 2nd Grade needs one more teacher.
- 3rd Grade needs teachers.
- 4th Grade needs one more teacher.
- We still need a full roster of substitutes. This makes it much easier for everyone to commit.

See you soon!

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FINANCES

Sunday, August 27, 2023

General: \$7,631
Vision: \$380
Missions: \$160

General YTD: \$632,071
Vision YTD: \$50,419
Vision Account Balance: \$27,554

SUNDAY SCHOOL STARTS SEPTEMBER 24



WE HAVE CLASSES FOR EVERYONE:

- 3yo through Pre-K start with singing in the Kids Wing.
- K-5 Grade go to their classrooms in the Kids Wing.
- Middle School and High School go to the Youth rooms.
- Adult Sunday School is in the Chapel overflow.
- Parent Connection Group meets in the Chapel.
- The Nursery is open during Sunday School.

JOIN US AT 10:05AM



LIZ'S UPDATE

ADULT DISCIPLESHIP & WORSHIP

As I said on Sunday, I'm sharing the entire writing by Pierre Teilhard de Chardin in this article. But first here are a couple of dates to keep in mind:

WD40: "The Grease That Keeps Us Going" – September 5, 7:00pm in the fellowship hall. This is open to women of all ages.

DMV – Discipleship: Men's Version is our Men's Discipleship open to men of all ages. This group is led by John Blok. They are going to meet the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of each month from 8:30-10:00am starting in October.

Sunday School starts September 24.

Mid-Week starts October 4. Next week, I'll highlight the adult classes that will be available.

Patient Trust
by Pierre Teilhard de Chardin

Above all, trust in the slow work of God.
We are quite naturally impatient in everything
to reach the end without delay.
We should like to skip the intermediate stages.
We are impatient of being on the way to something
unknown, something new.
And yet it is the law of progress
that it is made by passing through
some states of instability ---
and that it may take a very long time.
And so I think it is with you.
Your ideas mature gradually---let them grow,
let them shape themselves, without undue haste.
Don't try to force them on,
as though you could be today what time
(that is to say, grace and circumstances
acting on your own good will)
will make of you tomorrow.
Only God could say what this new spirit
gradually forming within you will be.
Give our lord the benefit of believing
that His hand is leading you,
and accept the anxiety of feeling yourself
in suspense and incomplete.

Have a restful Labor Day weekend!

Liz
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NEW

SUPPERS SIX

Join us for a new twist on an old favorite. Suppers Six is a group of six adults- couples or singles- coming together for a night of good food, fun, and fellowship! It's a time to reacquaint with long time friends and make new ones.

A host will be selected who would be willing to:

- 1) Invite 2 persons to the event outside of those who are signed up.
- 2) Set a date for the event.
- 3) Provide a home meal, meet at a restaurant, or meet at church. Take out is totally fine too!

The month for the events will be October, January, and February. Each group will be responsible for their own date and times.

For more information contact:
Cheryl Weerheim- 605-940-8413
Deb Teunissen- 605-359-6375
Elaine Deelstra- 605-357-4202

Sign up on Sept. 10 at The Link or Kick off Sunday tables.

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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.
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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