

# THE COMMUNICATOR

JUNE 26, 2024

## Weekly Calendar

JUNE 26 - JULY 10

**Saturday, June 29**

**7:00am-** Fresh Encounter

**Sunday, June 30**

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

**Monday, July 1**

**No Church Softball**

**Tuesday, July 2**

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

**Saturday, July 6**

**7:00am-** Fresh Encounter

**Sunday, July 7**

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

**Monday, July 8**

**Noon-** Senior Citizens (E. Pizza Ranch)

**8:20 & 9:15pm-** Church Softball  
@ Sherman Park (Diamond D)

**Tuesday, July 9**

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

**No Newsletter  
next week  
July 3**

**Happy 4th of July!**

## CLYDE'S ARTICLE

I made a comment in last week's newsletter about the possibility of some significant rain coming by the end of the week, but I had no idea of what was coming. I know this has been a very difficult time for many of our neighbors close by and especially those folks who live a little south and east of us. We are not in charge of the weather, are we? When all the right/wrong things come together, nature has a lot of power and we see it in action. I do hope everything, and everyone gets things back together. Be praying for all those folks who have lost so much. Flooding is not easy to recover from.

These past few days have been very active around the church with a couple of weddings and funerals and of course, we did do church on Sunday as well. This kind of thing doesn't happen all the time, but it's the season, I guess. We are working at doing each one of those things one at a time and putting our best foot forward for each family and for each event whatever that may take. Once again, I am so grateful for the people who step up and help us out with all these things. You know who you are, and we are grateful. Your kindness does not go unnoticed, and your ministry makes a difference in the lives of people you encounter. Thanks everyone!

I wanted to put in a congratulations to Doyle and Abbie Burnside on the birth of their daughter ..... this past week. She is a cutie! The staff has been going and going here these past few days and we haven't seen much of each other. Doyle was keeping us in the loop by phone as to how things were going. It all went well, and we all do wish them the best.

I want to take time this morning to thank everyone for the kind words and cards from Sunday's celebration. It was a very nice day as my family from back home was able to come over and be here as well. That was a surprise. I was able to grill out for them after church and have some time to spend doing a little visiting before the visitation at church that afternoon. I mentioned on Sunday that 25 years has seen a lot of changes and many of you have witnessed them as well. From the old church to this new location, we have been on a great journey together. These kinds of things always make me remember all those who are not with us anymore. I miss all those folks. I thought of all the changes we have seen around this area as well in the last few years. Our community around the church has really grown in this last short while. It has been a good journey, and I am so grateful for all of you who have been through the entire run. I am also very aware that the work we all do here is much bigger than us. Church work is God's work! He is the one who makes this all happen. It's not me. It's not you. It's God working in the hearts of people. Our part is to bring them to Him and let Him do the work. The glory and the credit belong to Jesus who gave himself up for us that we might become the children of God. If we keep that first.... everything else will take care of itself. Thank again everyone. I am grateful for your kindness.

Sunday, we do the next painting entitled "Simeon's Moment". This one isn't as emotional for me, but it has such a great message attached to it. The story of Simeon in the Bible is a very special one as this man waited on God for the plan of redemption that God had promised him he would see. God was faithful. We'll talk more on Sunday. Have a great week!

# SAVE THE DATE

## Picnic in the Park

WEDNESDAY, JULY 31  
6:30pm

3500 S CLIFF AVE  
UPPER TUTHILL PARK

**POTLUCK IS BACK!**  
**BRING A DISH TO SHARE IF YOU CAN.**  
**COMMUNITY WILL PROVIDE**  
**HOTDOG/BUNS & WATER.**

**BRING YOUR OWN LAWN CHAIR.**  
**YARD GAMES ARE ALSO WELCOMED!**



## THE GIVE

Check out THE GIVE wall in the lobby.  
It's a place to donate to local ministries.

**Community Kids Nursery**  
4T-7 size kids pants/shorts

**LSS Family Baskets**  
Scissors, can openers

**Harmony South Dakota**  
Art Supplies/School Supplies

**Midwest Street Medicine**  
New Blankets

Also, still collecting greeting cards for daycares/nursing homes.  
Please leave the cards at The Link.



## PRAYER REQUESTS

### NEW PRAYER REQUESTS

- Ryan Kortemeyer (lymphoma)
- Susan Vanden Berg's mom, Marlene (possible cancer)
- Gracia Harmsen (surgery recovery)
- Mike Graanstra's mom (in hospital)

### ONGOING PRAYER REQUESTS

- Krista Groeneweg's dad, Ray (kidney cancer)
- Daniel Burlingame's mom, Esther (breast cancer)
- Jeris VanZee (Mantle Cell Lymphoma)
- Dennis VerHey (accident recovery)
- Dennis Korb
- Annette Korb (surgery)
- Tony & Spring (continued prayers for healthy pregnancy)
- Evita Attema (cancer)
- Susan Bierwagen's sister, Marlene
- Dave Van Dine (vascular)
- Melanie Oden's sister, Amber (breast cancer)
- Evita Attema's sister, Lilli (cancer)
- Ellen Nelson Garner (chronic airway disease)
- Justin & Sandy Heimdahl and family (house fire)
- Darla Moulton's son-in-law, Neil (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

### CONDOLENCES

Our condolences go out to the family and friends of Rick Hoogendoorn. Please keep their family in your prayers.

### CONGRATULATIONS

Our congratulations go out to Doyle and Abby Burnside on the birth of their daughter, Eleanor Grace.

DOYLES' UPDATE

## MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL



The last week I have been reflecting on pastor's sermon series and the God prompts in my own life. One has been so clear for me - having a newborn born in the house. Our baby girl, Eleanor Grace, joined us last week and the time spent with her is a time leading me to God. God's love for humanity, for me, is so real. The creative, caring and gracious character of God is on full display. The presence of the Spirit in our tired, short on sleep state. In all of it, I'm reminded of the goodness of God. It's been a journey for us the last few years - but Jesus is in the boat!

With the change at home, also comes some change for the youth group. I had to cancel our last week of June together with baby coming a little early. I am working on the updates to the July schedule and will get the updated schedule sent to parents by the end of the week. I'm excited to get things going again, but for now am enjoying the time at home as a family if 5.

I also know a lot of students have gone to, are at, or will be going to a variety of camps this summer. I absolutely love camp ministry and am praying for all those going to experience Jesus. Thank you Community for supporting and caring about that for the students!

That's it for this week. If you have any questions about the youth ministry here, please feel free to reach out anytime.

Doyle  
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## 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 FOR JUNE

Hope Haven

### AA BIG BOOK MEETING

No meetings in the summer months

### SENIOR CITIZENS

Senior Citizens will meet on Monday, **July 8** 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, July 16, at 7 pm at the church. We will be discussing *Molokai*.

The morning book club will meet Wednesday, July 17, at 9 am on the Bagel Boy on Minnesota Ave. We will be discussing *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe*.

## FINANCES

Sunday, June 23, 2024

General: \$10,086  
Vision: \$190  
Missions: \$460

General YTD: \$388,930  
Vision YTD: \$29,775  
Vision Account Balance: \$32,185



LIZ'S UPDATE

# ADULT DISCIPLESHIP & WORSHIP

Summer schedules are full steam ahead right now! Here are a couple of upcoming events you are going to want to get on your calendars.


By this time next month, VBS will be OVER! That's right, VBS starts Monday, July 23 and runs through Thursday, July 25. We meet in the evenings, and we have a marvelous time worship God and learning about God's great love for us. You can register your kids online or at church, and you can also sign up to help in a number of ways. We are always in need of extra grown-ups (or even middle and high school kids) who can offer a helping hand during the week. Heather is an excellent planner, and she makes sure that volunteering is not only fun, but also easy. Our theme for VBS this summer is "FOUND!" We'll be learning about how God is always searching for us when we are lost, and how much God values every single person. VBS is open to kids 3 years old through 6th grade, and frankly, I think this is one of the best things we do here at Community. I hope every single person at Community can come see even just a part of what happens during that week. It is a blessing!

And coming up on August 27, Community will be hosting a gathering for every church person who attending a Kingdom Network church for our region. The evening will start around 6:00 and include praise and worship as well as two fantastic guest speakers. Dr. Chenwe Williams and Will Hutcherson are coming to us from Atlanta, and they will be speaking on children/youth and mental illness. The last time they spoke for an event in Orange City, it was so impactful that we knew we wanted to have them come for our event. We encourage anyone who is interested, whether you are a parent, teacher, youth worker, etc. to attend, and feel free to invite a friend. The evening will wrap up at 8:00pm. More details will be available as we get closer to the date, but please pencil that in on your calendars.

Have a great week!

Liz

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VBS 2024

# FOUND

UNCOVERING GOD'S WORD

JULY 22-25, 2024  
6:00-7:45PM  
AT COMMUNITY



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

Non-Profit Org.  
U.S. Postage Paid  
Sioux Falls, SD 57104  
Permit No. 7119

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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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