

# THE COMMUNICATOR

OCT. 16, 2024

## THIS WEEK

OCT 16- OCT 23

### Wednesday, Oct. 16

5:30-6:30pm- Taco Night

6:30-7:30pm- Classes for all ages  
Middle school youth group

7:30-8:30pm- H.S. Youth Group

### Saturday, Oct. 19

7:00am- Fresh Encounter

### Sunday, Oct. 20

8:00, 9:00 & 10:45AM- Worship Services  
10:05- SUNDAY SCHOOL

### Monday, Oct. 21

7:00pm- Men's Bible Study

### Tuesday, Oct. 22

9:30-11am- Play Group

### Wednesday, Oct. 23

5:30-6:30pm- Lasagna, salad & bread

6:30-7:30pm- Classes for all ages  
Middle school youth group

7:30-8:30pm- H.S. Youth Group

## FINANCES

Sunday, October 13, 2024

General: \$15,630

Vision: \$310

Missions: \$305

Wednesday Night: \$350

General YTD: \$733,594

Vision YTD: \$44,378

Vision Account Balance: \$24,603

## Clyde's Update

October has seen a little cooler air in these past couple of days. The colors are really in full swing right now. It is very pretty, but very dry. It would be nice to see a little rain in the next week or so. It is such a colorful season, and we all hope that can last for a long time. Most of us have this as our favorite time of the year for all kinds of different reasons, but fall it is good time for many of us. Enjoy because there is change that happens and you never know when that may happen. Life works like that at times. Enjoy each day as a gift because you never know what the next one may bring.

Last week, we saw another great MidWeek evening with the number of adults in classes. This is the most we have ever seen, and the class options are very good. If you are still wondering about joining us, I would highly encourage you to get involved. You'll be glad you did. I am so pleased with all of that and all the volunteers in the kitchen. It is just a good buzz in the air. Very healthy! Great job Community. Let's keep this going.

Choir was absolutely great on Sunday evening! We just didn't know what to expect because we are so aware of the many things that people have going in their lives these days. Will they be too busy? Is there too much going on? There was a great group, and we know several people couldn't be there because of prior conflicts so it's going to get even better. That's exciting. Also, it's not too late friends. If you missed this first night, you can still join us. All new music this year. Lots of great singers! This is going to be a great year to be a part of this ministry. See you all then. Great job choir members!

At our Consistory meeting on Thursday evening, as we started planning our yearly budget, the folks discussed some of the things that we can all see going on with this building and grounds after our 15 years of wear. We are going to need to do some rather large projects in the coming years to keep up with that wear. The first item is going to be those large parking lots. If we let that go too far, then we are going to see some bad things happen. These projects are not cheap. I told the members to talk to you all out there and see how we should move forward. We will be talking more about that in the coming weeks and months. It's all part of owning and maintaining property. Comes with the territory. Talk about it. Ask good questions. We'll see what plans we come up with.

I mentioned the hurricanes in Florida this past Sunday. If you have a desire to help in that relief, you can make a check out to Community Reformed Church and make a note on the check that is for the hurricane relief fund. We, as a church, will get that to our Kingdom Network folks, and they have a direct line right to the places it is needed. We then don't have to work out all those details as our denominational folks have put that together for us. If you have questions about that, just ask me and I can answer those for you.

This Sunday, we start the second part of this fall series as we begin a look into the life of the apostle Paul. We will find that the same titles and themes we used for Jacob are going to fit into the life of Paul. We will begin with who he was before Christ met him and what training he had as a young man. He was not exactly the most likely choice for someone who will one day be the author of nearly twenty-five percent of the New Testament. We'll talk more on Sunday. Have a great week!

In need of prayer or want to  
share your prayer request?  
Email Pastor John at [prayerline@communityrc.org](mailto:prayerline@communityrc.org)

Prayer is the hand of faith on the door handle of  
your heart. The willing pull. The happy welcome to  
Jesus: "Come in, O King. Come in."  
from Before Amen by Max Lucado

If you have wanted to send Steve Lee a  
card, here is his temporary address:

Argyle House  
Apt. # 1023  
920 Delaware Street SE  
Minneapolis MN 55414

## MISSION OF THE MONTH FOR OCTOBER

### ANGEL TREE- PRISON FELLOWSHIP

One in 49 children in the U.S. has a parent behind bars.  
Angel Tree Christmas gives incarcerated parents a way to  
provide a Christmas gift and a personal message,  
delivered by caring, local volunteers, as a tangible  
representation of their love. Every Angel Tree family is also  
given access to a free, easy-to-read copy of the Bible.

## LOST & FOUND

Have you lost something at church recently?  
Check out the lost and found in the coatroom!

Left a pan in the kitchen?  
Check out the lost and found in the coatroom!

# PRAYER REQUESTS

## NEW PRAYER REQUESTS

- Steve Lee (lung transplant)

## ONGOING PRAYER REQUESTS

- Gary Parmley (cardiac bypass surgery 10/9)
- Rachel Theisen's dad (open heart surgery)
- Brian Frisbee (ongoing rehab)
- Harlan Van Meeteren (infection)
- Jerralynne Tjeerdsma's daughter, Deb (cancer)
- Jan McDowell (retina surgery 10/3)
- Merlin Klein
- JoAnn Hanssen
- Gracia Harmsen
- Anna Halverson (seizures)
- Caleb Ellwein (knee stress fracture)
- Melanie Oden's sister, Amber (breast cancer)
- Kim Becker (high risk pregnancy)
- Jordan Lipp's mom, Becky (dementia)
- Ryan Kortemeyer (lymphoma)
- Susan Vanden Berg's mom, Marlene (testing)
- Daniel Burlingame's mom, Esther
- Jeris VanZee (Mantle Cell Lymphoma)
- Dennis VerHey (accident recovery)
- Tony & Spring (healthy pregnancy)
- Evita Attema (cancer)
- Susan Bierwagen's sister, Marlene
- Evita Attema's sister, Lilli (cancer)
- Ellen Nelson Garner (chronic airway disease)
- Holli Jans' dad, Milt (cancer)
- Junella Wesselink's sister (cancer)
- Aaralyn Van Der Slood
- Rick Norris (cancer)
- Pete & Jan Mellema's son-in-law, Chris
- Kristy Mouw's sister-in-law, Mindy (cancer)
- Susan Bierwagen's uncle, Darrell (cancer)
- Jodie Jensen (cancer treatments/heart)
- Tracee Ellwein's dad

## FRESH ENCOUNTER

SATURDAY MORNINGS  
@ 7:00AM

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.



## MIDWEEK

### MIDWEEK MEAL 5:30-6:30PM- TACO NIGHT

**Classes begin @ 6:30pm**

Nursery available for infant-5 years old.

**Children from Kindergarten- 5th grade:**

Kids meet in the Children's wing for Fun Zone from 6:00-6:30pm & lesson from 6:30-7:30pm.

**Middle School Youth Group (grades 6-8):**

Meets at 6:30-7:30pm

**High School Youth Group (grades 9-12):**

Meets from 7:30-8:30pm

**Adult Classes**

Meets at 6:30-7:30pm

Community Kids

# Christmas Program

December 8, 2024  
3:30pm

SAVE THE DATE!



## Sensing Christmas

early childhood weekday

# Play Free Group

All are  
welcome

**TUESDAYS  
9:30-11:00AM**

Parents/ Grandparents/ Caregivers and Kids  
younger than Kindergarten age will join together for  
open play time in the Community Nursery as they enjoy time together.  
Questions? Heather.DeWit@CommunityRC.org or 605-336-1475

## OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD



The Operation Christmas Child table is set up in the lobby! Grab a box, fill it, and bring it back by

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13**

SAVE THE DATE

## Bible Sunday!

3rd Graders will receive  
their Bibles at the  
**9:00am** and **10:45** services  
on: **October 27, 2024**

ALL 3RD GRADERS WELCOME!

QUESTIONS?  
HEATHER.DEWIT@COMMUNITYRC.ORG OR 605-336-1475

## THE GIVE

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

**Ben Reifel Specialized Education Classroom**  
Fidget toys & cases of 8oz. waters

**Center of Hope**  
Gloves, hats, coats

**Visitation Center**  
Juice boxes

**LSS**  
Gently used board games





# CONSISTORY NOTES

OCTOBER 10, 2024

In Attendance: Clyde Teel, Stan Deelstra, Harvey Odens, Tyler Wolf, Darren Ellwein, Sean Fantroy, Lyle Pudwill, Curt Zwart, Susan Bierwagen, Tanner Corbin, Mary Burggraaf, Jordan Lipp, Ross Larson, Doug Harms, Eric Van Donge, Mark Thiesen

Opening Scripture: Luke 6:1-19, "Why Me," and Prayer – Susan Bierwagen

MSA the September 12, 2024 consistory meeting minutes.

MSA the September financial report.

Reports from Liz, Heather and Doyle were reviewed.

Disaster relief area offerings were discussed. 2025 budget proposals were discussed.

April 11 & 12, 2025 are the dates for the Transforming Prayer event.

November 20, 2024 will be the budget process meeting following mid-week classes.

Next meeting will be November 14, 2024.

Closing Prayer – Pastor Clyde

Respectfully submitted, Mary Burggraaf, Clerk

## ONGOING MINISTRIES

### SENIOR CITIZENS

Senior Citizens will meet on Monday, **Nov. 11** at noon at the East 10th Pizza Ranch. Questions, please call Connie Parmley, 605-275-0030. Everyone welcome!

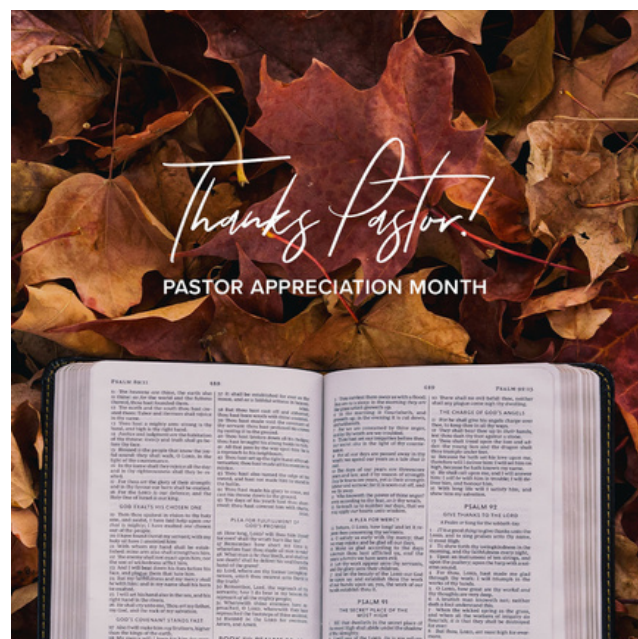
### WD40

First Monday of every month  
7:00-8:00pm

This group is for women of all ages and is the "grease that keeps us going." Led by Liz Teel, WD40 creates community for women to join in discussions about our spiritual, emotional, mental, and physical growth and wellbeing.

### MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Men's Monday Evening Bible Study at 7 pm. If you have any questions, please call or email John Thornton



October is Pastor Appreciation Month!  
Let's take some time to show our appreciation to our pastors for the time, energy, and resources they give time after time!



# SPONSOR A CHILD IN HAITI!

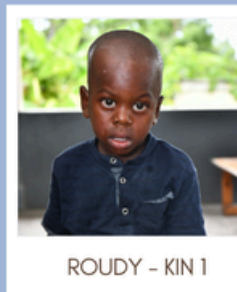
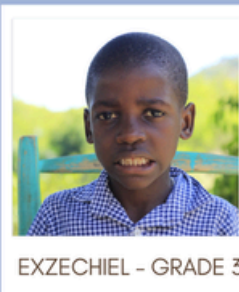
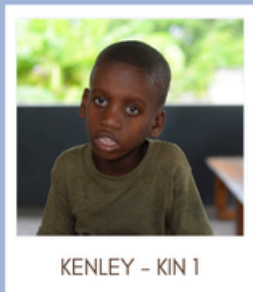
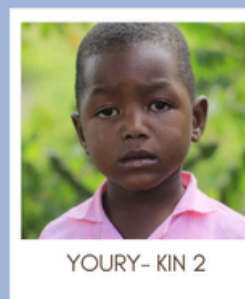
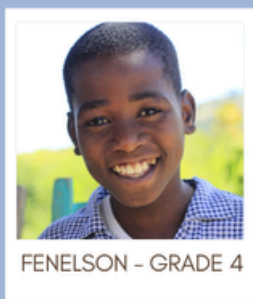
SPONSOR A CHILD FOR \$200 PER YEAR AT COMMUNITY'S PARTNER SCHOOL IN HAITI. CHOOSE YOUR CHILD TODAY.

Call the church office at 605-336-1475  
or email [Connect@communityrc.org](mailto:Connect@communityrc.org)

- Our church has a special partnership with the Frederique School in Haiti. In the past, teams from Community got to meet the kids on mission trips!
- Sponsoring a child is only \$200 per year until the child reaches Grade 7 (then it is \$325.)
- Our goal is to ensure each child at the school has a loving sponsor, which provides education, supplies, basic medical care and a meal each day. This also creates jobs for adults in Haiti.
- There are also optional opportunities for sponsors to purchase additional gifts. In the past some sponsors have chosen to buy Bibles or solar lanterns.



KIN ONE, TWO, AND THREE ARE SIMILAR TO PRESCHOOL/ KINDERGARTEN IN THE UNITED STATES.



**WE HOPE  
THAT EACH  
CHILD  
GET A  
SPONSOR  
IN 2024!**

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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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