

ORANGE CITY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCHES

COMMUNITY BULLETIN

September 14, 2025

Denominational, Classis or Community Prayer Requests:

Give thanks that fields are being harvested in our area. As silage piles are stacked and many large vehicles travel our road ways, pray for safety and conducive weather. Pray also for many of our Christian School society members who help to cover piles, seeking to defray education costs. Pray for safety and a sense of community in service to King Jesus.

Classis Heartland will meet on Wednesday, September 17 at Prairie Lane CRC in Omaha, NE. Pray God will give safety to the delegates as they travel. May He grant unity, wisdom and guidance as the delegates seek God's will for Classis Heartland. May it all bring glory to Him!

Please be in prayer for the World Renew Joint Ministry Council (board of directors) who will meet in Michigan this week. Items for prayer include safety in travel for members who come from different areas of the U.S. and Canada (Kim Starkenburg is a member), interviews of candidates for the Canadian Executive Director position, as well as general business items. Pray for wisdom for the World Renew staff as they continue to share the Gospel in Word and deed, lifting up communities as they work to overcome the challenges of poverty and disaster, bearing witness to Christ's transforming love and grace.

Immanuel CRC Family Prayer Requests:

Nothing to report.

Living Water Community Church Family Prayer Requests:

Please pray for healing for Holly De Jong who has had a variety of surgeries in recent weeks.

First CRC Family Prayer Requests: (First CRC Prayer Line 737-3119)

We praise God for his covenant faithfulness that we see this morning in the baptism of Everett Cees De Groot, son of Greg and Angela De Groot. We pray God will continue to bless Greg and Angela as they raise their children in the love of the Lord.

Calvary CRC Family Prayer Requests: (Calvary CRC Prayer Line 737-3959)

Nothing to report.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Keep denominational ministries in prayer. Call the toll-free number: 1-888-CRC-PRAY (272-7729).

Groundwork - Be A Disciple of Jesus Christ - Many Christians have questions about following Jesus. Join Groundwork as we study 1 Timothy 4:7-8, 1 Peter 2:2-5, and 1 Timothy 2:1-3 to help us define discipleship, understand what this means for the lives of his disciples today, and discover the importance of community on our journey. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com

Love INC Sioux County is seeking a part-time *Church Ambassador*. Qualifications: A personal relationship with Jesus Christ and a heart for Christian service, strong interpersonal, communication and computer skills, a motivated, self-starter that works independently and collaboratively within a team setting, comfortable giving presentations and praying in groups, willingness to work with various Christian church denominations - Please send resume to: Love INC Sioux County, PO Box 85, Rock Valley, IA 51247. For more information, please contact Debbie at 476-5990.

Moms in Prayer is an international ministry that prays for children and schools. The Orange City College and Career group meets at Calvary Christian Reformed Church in the chapel. Come join us praying for our post-high children, for area colleges and other schools connected with the women attending. We gather Friday mornings from 8:30-9:30 a.m. For more information call Carol Borchard at 441-5286 or Sheryl Slegers at 441-2795.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Sunday, September 14

2:30 p.m. Hawarden CRC would like to invite you to join us to celebrate the Installation of Rev. Seth Atsma. A time of refreshments and fellowship will follow.

Monday, September 15

7:00 p.m. Join Orange City Christian School for the annual society meeting. We'll be electing new board members and presenting the budget. Absentee ballots for board nominees are available in the school office and can be submitted to the OCCS office, Mr. Alons, or any board member before the meeting. This is a wonderful chance to hear updates from the school, including a recap of last year, goals for the upcoming year, staff recognition, and more! The new board nominees are: Immanuel CRC: Josh Pluim, Lora Kleinhesselink, Brandon Vander Stoep; Redeemer URC: Ethan Hoekstra, Jonathon Kiel, Nick Scholten; At large: Kelly Kooistra, Joel Van Engen, Todd Rowenhorst

Wednesday, September 17

9:30 a.m. Coffee Break will meet at Calvary CRC

Saturday, September 20

10:00 a.m. There will be an Orange City Cemetery Open House – There will be two walks, one beginning at 10:00 a.m. and another at 1:00 p.m. Please meet at the front entrance for the one hour walk. The walk will be on all hard surfaces, and will include an early history of the cemetery. Admission is \$10 to help with expenses.

Advanced Notices:

The Power of Prayer is the focus of the upcoming Dunamis Conference in Milford, IA, October 2-5. Participants will learn how any Christian can pray with vision and power. Sessions will encourage and equip people to grow in intimacy with Jesus Christ through prayer and to participate with God in shaping the future through intercessory prayer. Participants will have opportunities to practice what they learn. To learn more and register, visit www.primi.org/dpmilford.

The Healing Ministry of Jesus is the focus of the upcoming Dunamis Conference in Viborg, SD, November 6-9. Participants will examine Jesus' healing ministry as the model for praying for many types of healing, including physical, emotional, and spiritual. Theory and practical application help make this dimension of ministry a reality in our own lives and in the Church. To learn more and register, visit www.primi.org/dpviborg.

--Announcements (2-week limit) for the Community Bulletin are due by Thursday at 1:00 p.m., email: office@firstcrcoc.org