

**ORANGE CITY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCHES**  
**COMMUNITY BULLETIN**  
**August 3, 2025**

**Denominational, Classis or Community Prayer Requests:**

We pray for the teenagers from our churches who were at the Reformed Youth Services Convention this past week, that God might bring much fruit from the relationships that were nurtured and the ways they were formed in their faith.

We pray for times of refreshment over these summer months in time spent with family and friends, and safety for those traveling.

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

Nothing to report.

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

Nothing to report.

**Immanuel CRC Family Prayer Requests:**

Nothing to report.

**Living Water Community Church Family Prayer Requests:**

Nothing to report.

**GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

*Groundwork - Remember, Repent, and Return* - The prophet Hosea speaks directly against Israel's spiritual betrayal and rampant injustice. Join Groundwork as we study God's accusations against Israel in Hosea 4-10 and 12-13, and witness his longing for his people to return. Together, we'll discuss what we can learn from their story about our own hearts today. Listen now at [Groundworkonline.com](http://Groundworkonline.com).

The Orange City GEMS are looking for counselors and helpers for the next school year. If you are interested or have questions please contact: First CRC - Shari Visser (441-0033), Immanuel - Sarah Bonnema (441-6602), Calvary - Michelle Eason (441-7504), and Living Water - Jenness Wolgen (395-3483).

**COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

**Tuesday, August 5**

7:00 p.m. The NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) at the Sioux Center Public Library will meet on Tuesday, August 5 with a slightly different format. The Educational Program from 7 to 7:45 pm is open to anyone who is interested in the subject: Healthy Minds TV - "NAMI: The National Alliance on Mental Illness" with NAMI CEO, Daniel Gillison. From 7:45 to 8:45, individuals affected by mental health conditions, and their family/friends will meet for a time of mutual support. For information, call Shirley at 722-4462 or Nate at 402-916-0008 or [natehuyser93@gmail.com](mailto:natehuyser93@gmail.com).

**Advanced Notices:**

"Everyday-Ambassador Practicum" will be from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. on Sat., August 16, at the Empower Campus, 1915 E 8th St, Sioux Falls. Come for good snacks & beverages, interactive Bible study, getting "tooled-up," then going out in an engaging environment as Jesus' ambassadors. It's FREE. This training will equip you to more readily rise up as God's representative wherever you are, and as one about whom He proclaims: "beautiful are the feet of those who bring Good News." Questions or to register, text or call Fred of New Roots Ministry, at 605-376-6330, or Aaron Myers of Crescent Project, at 605-659-5961.

Registration is open for the Unity Christian Golf Outing on August 23! Register online as a team of 4 to enjoy a fun filled morning of golf at Landsmeer Golf Course. Cost is \$500/team, with reduced rates for

students, and a pulled pork lunch is provided. Space is limited, so sign up today! Enter this link for more information or to register: <https://form.jotform.com/251534307169154> Email the Booster Club with any questions! [boosterclub@unity.pvt.k12.ia.us](mailto:boosterclub@unity.pvt.k12.ia.us)

Are you interested in receiving training that will enable you to more effectively counsel family members, friends, work associates, and others as they wrestle with problems in their lives? Consider registering for the IRBC Basic Training Course in Reformed Biblical Counseling. Brochures, applications, and information about our new flexible format can be found online at IRBC.net. Classes start in September at the Redeemer United Reformed Church, 302 St. Paul Ave. SE, Orange City, Iowa 51041.

Women of Renewal is excited to host a Women's Retreat on September 6 at Trinity Church in Orange City! The retreat will be from 10:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. on September 6. Women of all ages are welcome! For details and registration go to [www.womenofrenewal.com](http://www.womenofrenewal.com).

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