

ORANGE CITY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCHES
COMMUNITY BULLETIN
June 30, 2024

Denominational, Classis or Community Prayer Requests:

Pray for peace, refreshment, and joy for our families during these weeks of summer. May the Lord grant many opportunities for our church families to gather in community, to encourage each other, to serve with each other, and to point people to Christ!

Please be in prayer for the families and communities that are affected by the flooding. Pray for comfort and strength for those who have lost homes, businesses and possessions. Join in prayer for the families and congregations in these communities, as they navigate through this challenging time.

Living Water Community Church Family Prayer Requests:

Nothing to report.

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)

Pray for Barry and Erin Emmelkamp and family and Stan and Virg Oordt and family who had been evacuated from their homes on Saturday. Pray God's grace for the family and friends who will also be helping them to begin to piece their living situation together in the coming weeks and months.

Immanuel CRC Family Prayer Requests:

Dale Bolkema came home on Thursday! Praise the Lord! He is doing well and will continue rehab in Orange City. Thank you for your prayers!

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Groundwork – Adopt the Mindset of Christ - As Christians, many of us long to make the world a better place. Join our Groundwork conversation as we study Philippians 2:1-11, Matthew 22:15-45, 1 Peter 2:21-23, and Matthew 20:24-28 to study the servant mindset Jesus modeled. Together we'll glean biblical wisdom for discerning the relationship between faith and power and we'll discuss the importance of developing Christlikeness. Listen now at Groundworkonline.com.

There will be wood splitting on the second and fourth Monday nights for the months of June, July and August. We will be starting at 6:00 p.m. on the Ron De Jong farm.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Tuesday, July 2

7:00 p.m. The NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) Support Group will meet in the Fireside Room of Central Reformed Church in Sioux Center from 7 to 9 p.m. Program: "Exploring NAMI: Resources and Programs." Individuals and family members coping with mental illness are welcome. For information, call Shirley Matheis 722-4462.

Advance Notices:

From Cornerstone Prison Church – Faith Fellowship Weekend! Friday, July 26 – 1:00-3:00 p.m., Kick off Worship Service, Saturday, July 27 and Sunday, July 28 – 7:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m. each day. The theme for the weekend is "New Creation". Scripture text is 1 Corinthians 5:17-21. Join us for worship, large group talks and small group discussions. The deadline to sign up is Thursday, July 4. If you would like more information or to sign up for part or all of the weekend, please contact office@cornerstonedpcsd.org or call 505-215-3670. Please consider this wonderful ministry opportunity!

The 2024 Abide Project convention will be held July 30th-31st at First CRC, Sioux Center. The theme this year is drawn from Titus, “contend for the faith!” Join us for two days of instruction from God’s Word, fellowship and discussion. The cost is \$100 for both days, which includes admission and all meals as well as lodging at Dordt for those who would like it. If you cannot make the entire convention, join us for our special public session with Dr. Jeff Wiema, Professor of New Testament at Calvin Seminary, July 30th beginning at 7pm. He will be giving a talk on “The Sanctity of Sex. Living a Holy Life in a Sex, Saturated Society (1 Thess. 4:1-8)” This portion of the conference is free, and all are encouraged to attend! Please go to www.abideproject.org to register. We hope to see you there!

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