

ORANGE CITY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCHES
COMMUNITY BULLETIN
June 9, 2024

Denominational, Classis or Community Prayer Requests:

Pray for Synod as delegates are traveling from great distances to participate. As their work begins, pray that the Lord will fill them with his Spirit and focus their hearts and minds on the glory of Jesus Christ alone. Remember the delegates from Classis Heartland in prayer:

- Rev. Jesse L. Walhof (Living Water - Sheldon)
- Rev. Aaron Greydanus (First CRC - Hull)
- Elder Daniel Tracy (Calvary - Orange City)
- Deacon Gary Hibma (Living Water - Sheldon)
- Rev. Stephen Terpstra, future pastor of First CRC in Orange City (DV) serving Classis Zeeland

Follow along with events and discussions by clicking at [<https://www.crcna.org/synod>]

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

A First CRC mission team leaves this week to work with Paradise Ministries in Guatemala. Pray for safe travel for the team and that hearts and lives may be impacted, trusting God will use their work for His glory.

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

Abby Van Roekel had her appendix removed on Sunday, June 2. Give thanks that she returned home the same day and is recuperating at home.

We congratulate Anthony and Erin Schuiteman at the birth of a baby boy. Aiden Lee was born on Friday May 31. Mother and baby are healthy. Give thanks for the gift of life.

Mark Palsma had a biopsy which showed specks of cancer have been detected in his prostate. Give thanks for the peace that passes understanding. Ask the Lord to provide Mark with guidance regarding treatment and opportunities to share his faith with those involved in his care.

Del Walinga had a biopsy which showed a trace of a low-grade carcinoma. Prognosis is very good and medical professionals will monitor the matter for now. Blood testing every 6 months and an annual MRI. The Walingas are praising God and trusting him, thankful that a person can live with the presence of this type of cancer. Thanks for all the prayers.

Jennifer Whitman's recent blood test revealed that her LDH number is still high. The number can be an indicator of cancer. Pray that the Whitman family may enjoy time away at family in Alabama and Arkansas and that they will have peace in the face of this uncertainty.

John Jongma expects a doctor visit on June 11. Pray for wisdom and a way forward as John pursues treatment of a leaking heart valve.

Gene Huitink's neurologist allowed Gene to have his hard collar removed. Gene also learned that if everything goes according to plan, he will be able to return from the hospital to his home on Tuesday of this week. Give thanks for apparent progress after Gene's fall weeks ago.

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 - How to Live in Christ - Keeping laws and customs won't benefit our salvation at all, but that doesn't mean our actions don't matter. Join Groundwork as we study Galatians 5-6 to examine Paul's description of how we should live in Christ. Together we'll discuss the Fruits of the Spirit and what grateful Christian living looks like as we follow the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Listen now at Groundworkonline.com.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Monday, June 10

6:00 p.m. Common Thread will meet in the Cadet Room at Calvary CRC.

Wednesday, June 12

5:00 p.m. Habitat for Humanity Rock Valley Stud Finder Family Fun Night - Join Siouland Habitat for Humanity from 5:00-6:30 p.m. at 2652 Warren Circle in Rock Valley and enjoy a pork burger meal, bouncy house, and special time of Prayer & Thanksgiving at 5:30 p.m.! You'll be able to meet the Arteaga family, tour the home under construction and view the artistic talents of everyone that sponsored and decorated a stud. We hope to see you there!

Advance Notices:

Hope Haven Golf Benefit: We're thrilled to invite you to our 34th Annual Golf Benefit, where swinging your clubs will make a real impact. Join us in supporting Hope Haven and making a difference in the lives of those in need on Wednesday, June 19 with a shotgun starting at 11am at the Emerald Hills Golf Course at Arnolds Park. The registration fee of \$150 per golfer includes 18 holes of golf with a card, a grab and go meal, great raffle/pin prizes, and an entry gift! Space is limited to 144 golfers – so don't wait! Sign up by May 31 to not miss your chance to golf this premier course for a great cause! Register your team online at hopehaven.org/events or call/email Brenda Gisolf at 712.476.3116 or bgisolf@hopehaven.org

Hope Haven's Rich Harmelink Commemorative Trail Ride – Join us on Saturday, June 29 and experience the Newton Hills State Park in Canton, SD with 6 miles of marked horse trails for everyone to enjoy the scenic view, from beginner to professionals. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m., followed by the trail ride at 10 am and lunch at 12:30 p.m. If you would like to order a shirt, the cost is \$10 or 1 free shirt for every \$25 donation. Deadline to order is June 13. If camping is something you are interested in, reach out to Newton Hills to make reservations. To register for this freewill donation event, call/email Brenda Gisolf at 712.476.3116 or bgisolf@hopehaven.org

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. We would be happy to have you join us for part of the weekend or all of it. If you would like more information or to sign up, please contact us at office@cornerstonedpcsd.org or call 505-215-3670.

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