

**FIRST CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH**  
**MARCH 10, 2019**  
**PRAYER REMINDERS**

- Esther Kats
- Merlin & Cindy Van Otterloo
- Laura Van Kalsbeek
- Jerry Velgersdyk
- First CRC Mission Team traveling to Liberia March 7-19
- Our Whispering Heights residents living in Retirement & Nursing Homes elsewhere: Harvey De Jager, Lenora De Wit, Lucille Dorhout, Violet Haak, Louise Kooima and Hilbert Vande Kamp
- Rev. Adam & Laura Van Gelder - LCC International University in Lithuania
- New Roots
- We serve disaster survivors with God's love and grace. We work together with you, combining gifts, prayers, and financial support to make a difference for people rebuilding their lives and communities. Pray for World Renew DRS staff and volunteers, asking God to guide them as they assess needs and comfort people affected by disasters.

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**TODAY:**      **9:30 AM:** Morning Worship Service - Communion  
                 **10:45 AM:** Choir/Sunday School & Catechism  
                 **6:00 PM:** Evening Worship Service led by Pastor Cliff Hoekstra

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**MONDAY:**    **6:15-8:15 PM:** Family Visiting

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**TUESDAY:**    **9:45 AM:** Coffee Break  
                 **6:15-8:15 PM:** Family Visiting

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**WED:**        **7:00 PM:** Annual Day of Prayer Service-Ice Cream Social & Silent Dessert Auction  
                 **7:20 PM:** Cadets

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**THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES**

Sunday - Addison Van't Hul  
Thursday - Allison Jansen  
Friday - Diana De Groot, Carl Elbers, *the Harlan Van't Huls*  
Saturday - Darlys Vis

**FUTURE DATES**

March 17 - Fellowship Committee Church Potluck Dinner - 11:30 AM  
April 14 - Palm Sunday/Sunday School & Catechism ends after today  
April 18 - Maundy Thursday Service & Communion - 7:00 PM  
April 19 - Good Friday Service - 7:00 PM  
April 21 - Easter Sunday/Christian Education Sunday  
April 23 - Mission Group #2 to Sioux Falls Mission  
April 24 - Cadets Points Auction  
April 28 - GEMS Sunday/Coffee Fellowship  
April 29-May 3 - Meals on Wheels

# COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS!

**Love INC Annual Meeting** - Monday, March 18, at Pioneer Methodist Church in Rock Valley, 7:00 PM. It's a time to reflect on what God has done in 2018 in our affiliate and Sioux County and honor Him for all He's done. It's an opportunity to ask questions, meet our staff and board members, and build relationships between the churches. It's a very informal event and we try to keep it to an hour--plus we serve refreshments! We would love to have you join us!

**Inspiration Hills Summer Camp Registration** - Summer camp is just around the corner and registration opens on February 1! Make sure you visit our website to look at our available camps and dates that you want to send your child or grandchild to! This year's theme comes from Isaiah 43:1 which states, "I have called you by name, you are mine."

⇒ **Ministry Vision Dinner:** Inspiration Hills Camp & Retreat Center invites you and your friends to attend the annual Ministry Vision Dinner on Monday, March 18. Doors open at 6:00 PM, the meal served at 6:30 PM, and a presentation to follow highlighting the camp ministry and Journey Camp. The meal is free but RSVP is required. A free will offering will be received for Journey Camp scholarships. Please RSVP by calling the office at 712-986-5193 or emailing [ihills@inspirationhills.org](mailto:ihills@inspirationhills.org).

⇒ **Pastors' Wives Gathering - March 29** - Join us at Inspiration Hills for our annual Pastors' Wives Gathering! Be encouraged, rejuvenated, strengthened through this retreat made for women who are wives to men in ministry! Come on out! Check-in starts Friday at 9 AM and we wrap up the retreat at 5 PM. Session topics will be based on the theme of R.E.S.T. - Rejuvenate, Encourage, Strengthen & Thrive! Visit our website for more information and to register.

**The Dordt College Concert Band and Chamber Orchestra** invite you to a concert at 7:30 PM on Friday, March 22, at the B.J. Haan Auditorium. This free concert is part of a spring tour with performances scheduled in South Dakota, Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana and Iowa.

**Dordt College student, Anna Blauw, harp, will present a junior recital** at 7:30 PM on Saturday, March 23, in the B.J. Haan Auditorium. Highlights include a concert arrangement of the folksong "Colorado Trail" as well as a trumpet and harp duet by Dutch composer, Henk Badings. The recital is free and open to the public.

**A Fundraising Event is Brewing for Bethany Christian Services of NW Iowa** on Tuesday, April 2, 2019, at the Terrace View Event Center in Sioux Center. We are celebrating 75 years nationally with a Social Hour at 6:00 PM including a coffee bar and a complimentary Dinner beginning at 6:30 PM. We invite you to join us for an evening of praise and recognition of God's work in our ministry including a brief program featuring real and heartfelt stories. We are excited to have you join our efforts and enable us to **always serve kids!** Please RSVP for the meal by March 25. Call the Bethany Christian Services Office at 712-737-4831 or email [kjohnson@bethany.org](mailto:kjohnson@bethany.org).

**Church Administration Day - April 2** - Church Administration, we encourage you to enjoy a day away designed specifically with you in mind! Take time to retreat and to network with other area churches! Whether you are in a church, business or an organization, we encourage you to join us for this FREE event. Please RSVP by March 26! Visit our website for more information and to register.

**Cornerstone Prison Church Council, Board and Congregation would like to invite you to their 13th Annual Benefit Banquet Monday, April 8, 2019, at Trinity CRC, Rock Valley, 6:30 PM.** Doors will open at 6:00 PM. Save your spot before Sunday, March 31, by calling Trinity CRC at 712-476-5292 or go to their website [www.cornerstonepcsd.org](http://www.cornerstonepcsd.org). If you are unable to attend, you can send your donations to: Cornerstone Prison Church, c/o Dave Vande Kamp, PO Box 88708, Sioux Falls, SD 57109.

## LET'S MEMORIZE SCRIPTURE!

*"The Lord is good to those who wait for him, to the soul who seeks him."*

~ Lamentations 3:25

*"I am praying for them. I am not praying for the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I am glorified in them."*

~ John 17:9-10