

FIRST CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH
JANUARY 6, 2019
PRAYER REMINDERS

- Jonathon Kats
- Mike Van Otterloo
- Sophia, great-granddaughter of Faye Medalen
- Corwin Slagter, son-in-law of Al & Harriet Van Zanten
- Our Whispering Heights residents residing in Creekside: Kit Kooima and Mary Ann Van Bommel
- Mike & Megan Ribbens in Johannesburg, South Africa
- Cornerstone Prison Ministry
- Give thanks for the creative ways Resonate missionaries, church planters, campus ministers, and other ministry leaders are welcoming people into a community and inviting them into a relationship with Christ. Ask God to work through these invitations to draw people near to him.

TODAY: **9:30 AM:** Morning Worship Service
 5:55 PM: Evening Worship Service

MONDAY: **3:45 PM:** Gems
 6:30 PM: Elders'/Deacons' Meetings
 8:45 PM: Council Meeting
 Meals on Wheels January 7-11

TUESDAY: **9:45 AM:** Coffee Break

WED: **6:45 PM: Men's Society - meet at church - Lesson 7**
 7:00 PM: Mission Guild - studying first lesson in new book. **Remember to pick up your study book at Something Special**
 7:00 PM: L.I.G.H.T.
 7:20 PM: Cadets - Lesson 19

FRIDAY: **10:30-3:00 PM - Blood Drive**

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Sunday - Esther Kats
Tuesday - Brian Mulder
Wednesday - *the Justin De Wits*
Thursday - Cole Hoekstra
Saturday - Malorie Kirkley, Hudson Pollema

FUTURE DATES

January 6 - Sunday School/Catechism begins new session
January 7 - Council Meeting
January 7-11 - Meals on Wheels
January 13 - Baptism of Dawson Lee Kooima
January 20 - Youth Sunday & Sanctity of Human Life Sunday
January 27 - Cadet Sunday

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS!

Women and girls of all ages - start 2019 off right! You're invited to warm-up, burn off some steam and boost your endorphins. Join us for **Zumba-style exercise**. It's so fun, you forget you're exercising! We meet Tuesday and Friday mornings at Trinity CRC, 6:30 AM. Call or text Heather (712-470-6066) if you are interested and to join the group text reminders. We would love to have more smiling faces! It's free! See you soon!

Bring a friend! All are invited to sing with the **Sioux County Oratorio Chorus** as we return to perennial favorite, Handel's Messiah, for our upcoming season! Weekly rehearsals begin Tuesday, January 15, 7:30-9:30 PM in Dordt College's choral rehearsal room, and the performance with orchestra, Dordt and NWC choirs, and professional soloists will be in BJ Haan Auditorium on Saturday, April 27. For more information, find us on Facebook or email Mike Ochsner.

Love INC is continuing to develop its **Love & Learn classes** which will be starting again on January 22, 2019! We will be offering four classes: **Parenting** (a faith based curriculum that centers on healthy parenting skills), **Grief Share** (help and encouragement after the death of a loved one), **Faith & Finances** (practical budgeting and money management with optional mentorship) and **Affirming Potential** (personal evaluation of physical, emotional, relational and spiritual areas of life while setting goals to live out God-given potential). If you or someone you know could benefit from these classes, please call the Love INC office at 476-5990 for more information or to register.

Cornerstone Prison Church Faith Fellowship Weekend is scheduled for Friday, January 25 (6:00-8:00 PM) and January 26 & 27 (7:15 AM-4:00 PM) each day. The theme for the weekend is "Year of Reconciliation" based on 2 Chronicles 7:14 - "If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land." Join us for worship, large group talks and small group discussions. The deadline for signing up is Monday, January 7. 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@cornerstonepcsd.org or call 507-215-3670. Thank you for considering this wonderful ministry opportunity!

The **Northwest Iowa Symphony Orchestra** will present its popular **WINTER POPS CONCERT**: Piano Dreamer, January 26, at 7:30 PM in the B.J. Haan Auditorium on the campus of Dordt College. Composer, pianist and conductor, Jan Mulder, will be joining the orchestra as guest artist for the evening. NISO's Celebrity Conductor Contest will be held in conjunction with this concert. Advance tickets are available at Evie's Hallmark in Sioux Center. Tickets are also available at the door the night of the concert. For more information, contact the NISO office at 712-722-6230 or niso@dordt.edu.

LET'S MEMORIZE SCRIPTURE!

"The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and knowledge of the Holy One is understanding."

~ Proverbs 9:10

"Our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms."

~ Ephesians 6:12