

THE COMMUNICATOR

August 15, 2018

PASTOR'S UPDATE

August has been a full month around the church. I thought things were supposed to get going in the fall, but we have seen that happen already. It has been all good things too! VBS is finished up this past week as well. That is always a lot of fun! There is more yet to come before August is finished. I know the start of the school year is just around the corner as well so this month is going to be a full one. Enjoy the summer...it is going fast.

I have had some people ask when I'm going on vacation this summer. Well, actually I'm going to get away time this fall. I am looking forward to that. I am hoping for some nice hunting weather this fall because I have some pretty exciting things planned. That's what I love doing!

Check out the calendar of upcoming events in the next couple of weeks. There is a lot of things coming our way. The Block Party is a couple weeks away. A congregational meeting coming this week to approve our budget changes for the year. There is a baptism service next Sunday at 3pm. The Senior High is having their first gathering with Doyle on the 26th as well. It is a busy month!

VBS!!! I'm not sure where to begin on that one. There are so many people to thank and I would never be able to get all those names right. It was a terrific week of crafts, lessons, music, laughter, games, and connecting! Community you always do such a great job on this and I would have to say this was one of the best years. It seemed so well put together which is a compliment to Heather and her organization of all these things. You can't just throw something like together. It takes some careful thought and the hard work then of volunteers to come in to make it all go. Good job everyone!

I'm going to put in a "plug" for our nursery this week. I know they are planning ahead for things and there is always need in that ministry place for volunteers. I would pray that all of us would make that something we might consider doing for even just one Sunday a year. If we all did that it would sure make those folks happy! Consider that!

I am sure we have noticed the smoke from the fires this week. I don't really like that so much and for the most part they have all been set by broken people. It's hard to understand isn't it? What a crazy world we see sometimes. I would only say that we are basing our lives on a book that talks a great deal about broken people. It predicts this kind of behavior and shares a message that can turn hearts like that around. It is the story and message the church has been called to share. Jesus!

We are moving the names of God series right along and this coming Sunday will be the last of this series. I have saved that one special name for this last Sunday...that being "Jesus". I am sure that comes as no surprise to anyone. It would only makes sense we would end with him. What I want to do with his name is to see if we might discover together something new and fresh about his coming to show us a better way. Maybe we can find some deeper meaning to the name of Jesus. We'll talk more on Sunday, have a great week!

NURSERY SCHEDULE

Aug 19: 9:00am—

Ryan & Emily Van Deraa
Logan & Chelsea Veurink
11:00am-
Brent & Sue Dekker
Leslie Cleveringa

Aug 26: 9:00am—

Lynette Deutsch
Kari Kraayenbrink
Jason Stubbe
Megan Timmer
11:00am-
Brent & Sue Dekker
Leslie Cleveringa

THE LINK SCHEDULE

Aug 19:

9:00am— Bonnie Overweg/
Bruce Wenzel
11:00am— Grant & Leslie Boltjes

Aug 26:

9:00am— Laurie Long
11:00am— Bill & Dar Keizer

COFFEE SCHEDULE

Aug 19: Steve & Becky Lee
Aug 26: Denny & Sue Brunsting

GREETER SCHEDULE

Aug 19

9:00am—
Dave & Trish Mayer
Jeris & Maylene Van Zee
Randy & Gayle Groenhuis
11:00am—
Jean Nollmann
Ken & Susan Vos

Aug 26

9:00am—
Nic & Ladonna Freiborg
Jerralynne Tjeerdsma
Daron & Sherri Van Beek
11:00am—
Bert Roetman
Ken & Deb Meyer

ADULT DISCIPLESHIP

Thanks to everyone who stopped by The Corner last week to check things out! Remember that this is place to bring visitors or to come yourself if you would like to connect to Community in a more meaningful way. The Corner will officially be open this Sunday from 10:10 until about 10:45am. I know there is a Congregational meeting this Sunday, so our conversations may have to wait until that meeting is over, but I'll be there!

I'm still looking for people who might be willing to make some goodies for The Corner as well as help host from time to time. I will be generating a schedule for these things, and hopefully we'll have enough interest that you'll only have to do this work occasionally. Let me know if you'd be willing to help in either capacity!

I'd like to share with you something that God really challenged me with this past week. I was feeling the fatigue of VBS every night along with trying to frantically get things ready for The Corner as well as

I had been working steadily and hadn't been sleeping well because I couldn't stop thinking about work. During my prayer time on Friday morning, I was asking God for more strength and energy to accomplish all of these tasks when I felt God gently say to me, "I didn't ask you to do that." I immediately knew what He meant. Although these are things I believe He wants me to do for Community and the Kingdom, He did *not* ask me to do them in the short amount of time that I had assigned myself to do them. I had taken His work and His load, and I ran at full speed with them. I didn't seek His timeframe for these things. I just took off like a rocket.

After I had spent time asking God to cleanse me of this need to "get things done," I also felt God reminding me to slow down. "Just love them." Just love people. Isn't that what we all are asked to do on a daily basis? Just love people. And love is something that can't be rushed. We can't love at full speed ahead!

WORSHIP

I'm continuing to work on gathering names and information to polish up some of the inner workings of the worship teams. I'm still looking for a few more singers. If you're interested, send me an email at liz.teel@communityrc.org. I hope to have a few meetings on the calendar by next week!

My worship album is ever closer to completion. My brother-in-law, Dalton, is working on final edits and mixing, and will hopefully have it mastered by the end of the week. To do a recording well takes a lot of skill and time, and I'm deeply thankful for his great skill and his huge gift of time to make this album happen!

My CD Release Concert will be held September 8, 2018, at 7:30pm at the Orpheum Theater here in Sioux Falls. Tickets can be purchased through [Eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com) or by contacting me. Tickets are \$15, and the seating is general admission. Please feel free to pass the word about this concert! I know many of you have been waiting a long time for this. It's finally here!



DOYLE'S UPDATE

SENIOR HIGH YOUTH

Hello again!

It has been fun getting some of the planning put in place for the upcoming fall calendar. While it is hard to believe that summer is quickly coming to an end, it is also exciting to think that our Wednesday nights will be starting up really shortly.

I wanted to highlight one last time the parent meeting that will be this Sunday night at the church. This is for senior high students parents, and will be a time to get together to discuss the upcoming calendar, get to know one another a little better and to talk about the senior high ministry together. The meeting will be from 7 - 8 pm and I will do my best to keep it to that hour. If there are more questions after that I will be around longer if needed. I look forward to the start of this partnership!

This time of the year always seems to be surrounded by change. As we draw closer to the start of the school year, I would ask that you would join me in prayer for the changes taking place. For students as they get ready to go back to school. For those who have graduated and will be moving on to college or work. For those who have graduated and will be moving on to college or work. For those who will be starting a new school and getting use to a different atmosphere, and for those little ones who will be experiencing school for the first time.

And finally, join me in praying for the teachers and administrators who are or will be back shortly preparing for the start of the year.

That's it for this week. Thank you all again for welcoming me and my family to Community!

Doyle

Parent Meeting
AUG. 19th
7:00-8:00PM

SENIOR HIGH STUDENTS
Bonfire & Games
SUNDAY AUG. 26TH
6:30-9:30PM

SENIOR HIGH YOUTH GROUP
STARTS
SEPT. 5

SERVING OPPORTUNITY

SAMARITAN'S FEET SHOE DISTRIBUTION
SATURDAY, AUG 18TH
8am-12:30pm
Wesley UMC CHURCH
(1700 E 6th St. Sioux Falls)

91 slots open as of Wednesday morning!
Sign up here!

www.samaritansfeet.org/WesleyUMC

To Our Friends at Community Reformed Church

A huge THANK YOU does not seem like enough in response to your recent contribution to our upcoming Samaritan's Feet Back to School shoe distribution here in Sioux Falls! On Saturday, August 18th, we will serve over 2,000 area children at 3 locations across the city. Thanks to your overwhelming generosity, 128 students will be receive the gift a new pair of shoes and socks from a volunteer who will wash their feet and provide them with a message of love, hope and inspiration as they begin the new school year.

Samaritan's Feet is so blessed by your continued financial and spiritual support and hope that you will consider serving with us as a volunteer on August 18th in order to see your gifts being put to good use to impact the lives of those in need in our community. Thank you for truly being the hands and feet of Christ!

Denise

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Hi Everyone!

The school year is nearly here and that means **I need some help from all of you!**

1- Could you **please pray** for children, youth and parents as they transition back to school? Whether they are busy shopping to fill backpacks with supplies, preparing lessons for home schooling, or already back at school for activities, this time of year can be stressful and/or exciting. Prayer is an incredible way you can fill our families and families we haven't even met yet.

2- **We need Sunday School Teachers!**

Please pray about if this is a commitment God is asking you to make. We do team teaching to make the experience more flexible. You and the other teacher talk about what works best for you for scheduling. I tuck all of the supplies you need for each lesson in your classroom to make preparing for each lesson easier. Please email me, call church or sign up in the lobby at church so that I know you are willing to help.

We still need:

Sing N Sprout (for Toddlers)- 2 more teachers (we have 2 already)

Preschool Class Teacher- 1 more needed (we have 1 already)

PreK helpers- 2 more needed

Kindergarten Teacher- 1 more needed (we have 1 already)

1st Grade Teacher- 2 more needed

2nd Grade Teacher- 1 more needed (we have 1 already)

3rd Grade Teacher- 2 more needed

4th Grade Teacher- 1 more needed (we have 1 already)

5th Grade Teacher- 2 more needed

See you soon!

-Heather DeWit

Heather.DeWit@CommunityRC.org



PRAYER REQUESTS

- **Connie Evenson**, daughter of Rika VanDenTop (brain cancer)
- **Pete Valentine**
- **Natallie Baker** (seizure disorder)
- **Clayton Bierwagen** (heart)
- **Jodie Jensen** (cancer)
- **Chelle McMurrey's dad** (multiple myeloma)
- **Ellen Nelson** (chronic airway disease)
- **Lexi Valentine** (auto-immune disease)
- **Jessica Vander Weide** (heart)
- **Lindsey Vander Weide** (heart)
- William VamBram's wife, **Cynthia** (heart)
- **Gloria Wierda**. Laura Maloney's mom (stage 4 breast cancer)

- **Dree Mayer** (infection)
- **Sara Van Ruler's dad** (throat cancer)
- **Phyllis DeHaai** (lymphoma)
- **Dean Kruen** (cancer)
- **Joe Johnson** (cancer)
- Lori Hein's mom, **Joan** (heart)
- **Larry Long** (heart valve replacement 8.16)
- Brett Blankespoor's mom- cancer
- **Mona Schrader** (surgery 8.2)
- Wade Persson's mom (cancer)
- Gail Babcock (shoulder surgery 8.13)
- Hen Timmer (heart)

**PRAYER GROUP MEETS AT 7:00AM ON SATURDAYS IN THE CHAPEL.
EVERYONE WELCOME!**

MISSIONS

THE GIVE

Check out THE GIVE wall in the lobby. It's a place to donate to local ministries. We'll highlight 4 each month.

Mission Haiti- new or gently used bed sheets (any size) & backpacks

Operation Christmas Child- School supplies

LSS OF SD- sand toys, matchbox cars, blocks

The Banquet- stainless steel dinner forks, dinner knives and teaspoons.

MISSION OF THE MONTH:

Lunch is Served

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

WOMEN'S LUNCHEON

All women of the church are invited to an event on **Monday, August 20**. Join us at Noon for a light salad luncheon followed by an educational and inspirational talk by Lonnie Fynskov from Rochester, Minnesota . See page 7 for more details.

CARD SHOWER

Anyone wanting to be part of a card shower for Phyllis and Norm DeHaai can send the cards and letters to:

Phyllis and Norm DeHaai
27188 Prairie Lane
Harrisburg, SD 57032

Finances at a Glance:

Sunday, Aug 12

General:\$15,158
Vision:\$4,260
Missions:.....\$330
Love Gifts:\$100

General YTD: \$462,780
Vision YTD: \$123,862
Vision Account Balance: \$94,115

LOOKING FORWARD

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

AUG 19 | 10:10AM
WORSHIP CENTER

Congregational meeting to amend the 2018 budget to accommodate for increased staffing

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BAPTISM CELEBRATION

AUG 19 | 3PM
WORSHIP CENTER

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MARKING LIFE'S MOMENTS

AUG 20 | NOON
FELLOWSHIP HALL
WOMEN OF ALL AGES INVITED!
More info on page 7.

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BLOCK PARTY

AUG 26 | NOON-2PM
COMMUNITY'S FRONT LAWN
Free food | Inflatables | Balloon artists |
Dakota Snow

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Wednesday, Aug 15

7:15pm– Summer Bible Study

Saturday, Aug 18

7:00 am—Prayer ministry (Chapel)

10:00am– Closed AA meeting

Sunday, Aug 19

10:10am– Adult Sunday School (chapel)

10:10am– Congregational Meeting

3:00pm– Baptism Service

Monday, Aug 20

Noon– Women's Luncheon

Tues, Aug 21

7:00pm– Open AA Meeting

Wednesday, Aug 22

5:15am– Crack of Dawn Connection

7:15pm– Summer Bible Study

UPCOMING MINISTRIES

COMMUNITY BOOK CLUBS

Morning book club Wed, Sept 12, at 9am at the Bagel Boy on MN Ave. We will be discussing *The Gate* by Stouten.

Evening book club Tues. Aug 21, at 7 pm @ Eastside Panera on Foss Ave. Discussion on: *Talk Before Sleep* by Berg.

New participants welcome. Book Club Contact Trudi Nelson 371-3512

SENIOR CITIZENS

Meet at the E. Pizza Ranch on Sept 10 @ Noon.

AA BIG BOOK MEETING

Every Tues at 7pm at Community– Open meeting. Use east door. Every Saturday at 10am Closed (Addicts/Alcoholics only) meeting.

BE BACK
SOON!

There will not be a newsletter next Wed. Aug. 22. Thanks for understanding while Holli goes on vacation ☺

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

- 1) **GRILLS-** Would you be willing to bring your grill to church for the Block party on Aug. 26th?
- 2) **GRILLERS-** Anyone willing to grill hamburgers from 11:30am-1:30pm on Aug. 26th?

If you can help out with either, please contact Holli (connect@communityrc.org)



Do you love working with kids?

Community is hiring 2 nursery coordinators to work in the nursery 2-3 Sundays a month, a few special services and Wednesday nights during midweek. Coordinator needs to be 18 years old. \$14.00/ hour. If you are interested please contact Sheri at 605 261 2153.

UPCOMING

EVENTS

Women's Luncheon

AUG 20 | NOON

FELLOWSHIP HALL
WOMEN OF ALL AGES INVITED!
MARKING LIFE'S MOMENTS

Life has a way of filling up our days with urgent and necessary tasks. Frequently, we forget to capture and remember what is significant in our life. Come and learn more about recognizing the beauty of both the ordinary and extraordinary through reverence, rituals and celebrations.

Lonnie Fynskov will be speaking. She is a registered nurse, patient education specialist and wellness coach at Mayo Clinic Cancer Education Center in Rochester, MN. She received her Bachelor of Nursing and Religion from Augustana University and now, during the "golden years" of life, is currently pursuing a Master of Art's in Servant Leadership from Viterbo University in Lascrosse, Wisconsin.

BLOCK PARTY

AUG 26 | NOON-2PM

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Dakota Sno

IT'S AN END OF SUMMER PARTY!
INVITE YOUR FRIENDS!

MINISTRY FAIR

SEPT 9 | 8:45am- 12:15pm

LOBBY AREA

Wanna find out what going on this fall at Community? Check out the booths set up in the lobby and as always, there'll be some sort of sweet treats for the tasting!

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INFO YOU MAY NEED TO KNOW...

FALL SCHEDULE

SUNDAY SCHOOL STARTS
SEPT 16

MIDWEEK STARTS
OCT 3

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NEED GROCERIES? OR GAS?

Gift cards for HyVee, Fareway & Sunshine can be purchased on a Sunday morning at the coffee bar. 5% of that purchase will go toward our vision fund at church.

REQUESTS FOR MEMBERSHIP & BAPTISM...

If you would like to request membership or baptism, please e-mail the church office at connect@communityrc.org to set up a time to meet with the Elders (2nd or 4th Sundays of the month @ 10:10am).

For baptism, one of the parents needs to be a member at Community. **Next Baptism Service: Sunday, August 19 @ 3pm.**

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