

THE COMMUNICATOR

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PASTOR'S UPDATE

It continues to be rainy. I am getting ready for a little sunshine if it can find its way through the clouds. I am hoping that maybe the end of the month might turn out to be a little more like the falls we all seem to really enjoy in South Dakota. I guess we will have to wait and see on that. The trees are really starting to turn now and with all the rain the colors are really popping. I love that! I have a couple of really exciting hunting trips planned for the next few weeks, so I do hope fall is long.

Choir started last Sunday, and we are still looking for a more singers. It always seems to get off to slow start, but I am still hopeful there are few more out there who would like to join us. We looked through all the music that first evening and the choir did an outstanding job of reading through things. It's always an exciting to hear what we have going on that room. I do want to encourage you singers to come and be a part of this program. It's a great group of folks to get to know and what we do there makes a difference in the season. Come on out!

Holli has been working to put the annual Missions Fair together for the end of the month. We have been doing that for a number of years and it is has always been a great success. We set up the fellowship hall with many of the missions that we support throughout the year as each of those groups will have a table set up and be there to answer questions. It is a great way for us to stay in contact with our friends in mission and learn so much more about what they do.

MidWeek is off and running for the year and once again there are lots of people involved in that program. This year we are offering a few more adult classes to so that

offering a few more adult classes to so that we can have a good variety of things for everyone to do. I know that Heather is still searching for more teachers for the kids' program of Mid-Week as well. Those teachers do not have to commit to teaching every week. You only need to do one week if you want. Heather has all of that planned out, so it is very user friendly. You are all invited to get involved in our MidWeek "stuff". That is an amazing ministry we do for each other. Thanks again to all of you who are plugged in and going. We absolutely could not do it without you!

Liz continues to have new faces stopping into "The Corner" on Sunday mornings. We are still promoting that place as a way to introducing new people to our church home and also a place for any of you to bring prayer concerns or ideas. It is that kind of place. We are finding that it is making a difference. We love that!

This coming Sunday at 3pm we are having an afternoon of good ole gospel music and singing through lots of hymns. Joyce Tarrell and her sisters are leading the program for us and we are expecting the nice turnout for that event. There will be lots of music from the past and I'm sure lots on wonderful memories in the air. You are all invited.

Sunday's boat rocker series leads us back out on the water once again. This time Jesus is going to preach to us for bit. I hope we are all learning that many times he was really pressing on the hearts of people. He still does! We'll talk more on Sunday, have a great week!

NURSERY SCHEDULE

October 14: 9:00am—

Nick & Abbie Langerock
Charlene Hopf
Lyndee Karmrath
11:00am—
Arlan & Mary Burggraaf
Jordan Lipp

October 21: 9:00am—

Shawn & Lori Blom
Bob & Katie Deelstra
11:00am—
Zach & Jordan Seefeldt
Kelli Fantroy

THE LINK SCHEDULE

Oct 14:

9:00am— Brian & Holli Jans
11:00am— Karen Roetman

Oct 21:

9:00am— Marshall & Angeline
Lavin
11:00am— Bob & Lori Hein

COFFEE SCHEDULE

Oct. 14: Dick & Jeannette Jennings
Oct 21: Daryl & Char DuBois
Oct 28: Steve & Becky Lee

GREETER SCHEDULE

Oct 14:

9:00am—
Ron & Juanita Palsma
Denny & Sue Brunsting
Chad & Diane McKee
11:00am—
Jerralynne Tjeerdsma
Ken & Deb Meyer

Oct 21:

9:00am—
Jean Nollmann
Tom & Amy Bosch
Daron & Sherri VanBeek
11:00am—
Jean Nollman
Bert & Marcia Groeneweg

weekly ANNOUNCEMENTS

GOSPEL MUSIC HYMN SING

OCT 14 | 3:00pm

CHAPEL

Join us in the chapel for a time of singing some of your favorite hymns. Hass Harmony (Joyce Tarrell and her sisters, Irene, Marlene and Carol) will be leading the singing and also providing special music. Invite your friends and family for an hour of musical worship. Refreshments to follow.

(NEW)

MOMS OF NEWBORNS

OCT 22 | 6:30-7:30PM

This is a new group at Community open to any woman who is caring for a newborn. Do you feel overwhelmed? Do you have more questions than answers. Then this group is for you! Hosted by Jolene Larson. Jmlarson@alliancecom.net

Dates: Oct 22, 29; Nov. 5, 12, 19; December 3, 10, 17; January 7, 14, 21, 28; February 4, 11; March 4, 11, 18, 25; April 1, 8

WOMEN'S RETREAT

OCT 27 | 9am-Noon

@ Community

Topic: Mind Games. Led by Liz & Abbie. Come as an individual or bring a group of friends. No admission fee. No childcare.

(NEW)

COSTUME CRAWL

OCT 31 | 7:00-8:00pm

K-5 kids join us for the Costume Crawl on Wednesday, Oct. 31st! Come dressed up in costume and go around to Bible themed stations that the middle schoolers are helping with. Prizes at each station. Great alternative to trick or treating.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Wednesday, Oct 10

6:00pm- Chicken Salad/ Taco Salad
7:00pm- Classes for all ages & Youth groups

Thursday, Oct 11

7:00pm- Elders/ 8:00pm- Consistory meeting

Saturday, October 13

7:00 am-Prayer ministry (Chapel)
10:00am- Closed AA meeting
Wedding

Sunday, October 14

10:10am- Sunday School
3:00pm- Gospel Music Hymn Sing
6:00pm- Choir

Monday, Oct. 15

1:00pm- Faith & Joy Circle
7:00pm- Men's Bible Study

Tues, Oct 16

7:00pm- Open AA Meeting
7:00-8:00pm- Journey Group
7:00pm- Book Club @ E. Panera
7:00pm- Hope Circle

Wednesday, Oct 17

6:00pm- Soup
7:00pm- Classes for all ages & Youth groups

UPCOMING MINISTRIES

COMMUNITY BOOK CLUBS

The evening book club will meet Tuesday, Oct. 16, at 7pm at the E. Panera. We will be discussing *Lip Reading* by Kraus.

New participants welcome. Book Club

Contact Trudi Nelson 371-3512

AA BIG BOOK MEETING

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

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

LOVE LEXI 5K CHALLENGE

OCT 21 | 3:00pm
SANFORD SPORTS COMPLEX

To Register to run, donate or purchase race t-shirts go to: allsportscentral.com.

Love Lexi 5K Challenge is raising money for the Sanford Sports Science institute and will be used to provide opportunities for kids with chronic illnesses to safely participate in sports, a goal they couldn't not achieve without the help of the technology and expertise available at SSSI.

MIDWEEK ADULT CLASSES START OCT 10

JUST ASK

LIZ TEEL– Fellowship Hall A
This will be the first in a series classes Liz will teach during the Mid-Week year. "Just Ask" is a class for adults where participants will be encouraged to "Just Ask" any questions they many have about God and their faith.

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FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY

JOSIAH DUNLAP- "The Corner"
This is a 9 week course on financial planning which will cover giving, saving, and debt reduction from a Biblical perspective. Sign up online at <http://www.fpu.com/1073352>

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ADULT BIBLE AND BOOK STUDY

PASTOR CLYDE TEEL– Chapel
Pastor Clyde will be teaching these classes during the Mid-Week year. This year he will be focusing on leading studies on particular books of the Bible as well as offering a study on one or two Christian Books.

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OUR BEAUTIFUL PURPOSE

ANDREA DICK– The Office Area
This class will focus on issues that young women face including identity, friendships, self care, fears, calling, purpose, and self worth.

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THE BIBLE FOR 3RD GRADERS...FOR ADULTS

TRUDI NELSON– Children's Wing Classroom #5
There always seems to be surprises about the Bible (and in the Bible). The kind that leap out and make you say, "HOW COME I DIDN'T KNOW THIS?!?" Things like the books of the Bible not being in order...What?! The books of the prophets are major or minor because of...what?! How did I not learn this in 3rd grade? Here's an opportunity to explore the Bible together...as adults...but like 3rd graders.

TREE SWEATERS



Please contact Sue Brunsting if you would like to help put the "sweaters" on the church trees this year. You may call/text me at 605-366-7303 or send an email suebtnt@yahoo.com. No experience necessary, flexible hours and on the job training provided.

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PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH

October is Pastor Appreciation Month
and is the perfect time to commit to prayer, love, and encouragement for our pastors and others in ministry on a regular basis.

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OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Only 40 days until OCC Collection week! Enjoy Communicating, decorating or just "being involved"? The Operation Christmas Child team could use your help! Contact Neil @ 777-9103 or Linda Conover (after 5:30) @ 310-9893 or email CFOcpc@sio.midco.net.

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FINANCES AT A GLANCE

Sunday, Oct 7

General:.....\$14,460
Vision:\$4,295
Missions:.....\$335
Sunday School:.....\$19

General YTD: \$605,165
Vision YTD: \$157,949

Vision Account Balance:\$100,173

PRAYER REQUESTS

- **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)

- **Joe Johnson** (cancer)
- Lori Hein's mom, **Joan** (heart)
- Wade Persson's mom (cancer)
- **Spring Mayer Wright** (brain surgery 9.19)
- **Michelle Wigg**
- **Arlene Clyde** (health issues)
- **Heather DeWit**
- **Jenny Van Roekel** (kidney complications)
- Carolyn Hink's sister, **Marilyn Woodden** (hospice)
- **Darlene Johnson**
- **Cleone Groen**
- **Gary VanDenHoek** (cardiac angiogram)

**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

Union Gospel mission: insulated gloves & stocking cap

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

MISSION OF THE MONTH:

The Gideons

UNION GOSPEL MISSION:

Insulated gloves & stocking cap
Please place in the designated bin at
The Give in the lobby.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

HOPE CIRCLE

Hope Circle will meet Oct. 16th @ 7:00pm.
Lesson: Margie. Hostess: Barb A.

FAITH & JOY CIRCLE

Faith & Joy Circles will meet on Monday,
October 15, 1:00 pm at the church.

Sue Brunsting will do a presentation about the Clothesrack Boutique. She will have clothing along and would like to encourage you to buy something for someone who has a difficult time getting out to shop. All items are \$1.00, and you are also welcome to shop for yourselves.

Refreshments will be served by Sharon and Bert. All women welcomed!

ADULT DISCIPLESHIP

We had a huge group of people at Mid-Week last week, and it was fantastic to be able to meet with the adults in the sanctuary to discuss all of the adult education options. As I said last week, I will hang signs around the church that will list where all of the adult classes will be meeting, but I'll also list them here. Remember it's totally acceptable to try more than one class during Mid-Week, and most classes are structured so that you can join at any point.

As we start to meet for our studies this week, please be patient as we work out any kinks in the locations. And don't hesitate to contact me if you have thoughts about how to make things run smoothly.

**Romans – Pastor Clyde
Chapel**

**Just Ask - Liz
Fellowship Hall A**

**Bible for 3rd Graders for Adults-Trudi
Children's Wing Room #5**

**Our Beautiful Purpose – Andrea
The Office Area**

**Financial Peace University – Josiah
The Corner**

WORSHIP

We had a fantastic first night of Christmas Choir rehearsal on Sunday evening! We had almost 50 singers join us for the first rehearsal, and I know there are many more who couldn't make it last week but are planning to sing. I'm excited for this group to come together and to hear the music grow and develop over the course of 2 months!

It's not too late to join choir. If you're free, just come on Sunday evenings from 6:00-7:30pm. We rehearse in the chapel, and we offer free child care. We are still aiming for 80 singers, so if you've been thinking about it, just come. 😊

For those of you who have been waiting, I'm happy to report that my worship album, "No More Shadows" is now officially available for download on Amazon. All you have to do is search for Liz Teel music, and it will show up! It will be available on iTunes eventually, but we are still waiting on that one. Thanks for your patience!

This week, I have the opportunity to speak with Worship majors at the University of Sioux Falls about leading worship in a church, writing worship music, and planning worship related events. I'm looking forward to being able to talk with college students about what worship

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Hi Everyone!

On a personal note, I can't say thank you enough to everyone for praying for me and my family recently. Some people have asked for a little more information on what my health struggles have been and I'm happy to share because God is doing some really incredible things through this. I've been seeing neurologists and other specialists for about a year and what we know is that the pressure in my brain is too high, there is a small cyst in the middle of my brain and I am having trouble with vision, balance, headaches and other symptoms. I was going to have surgery in Sioux Falls a few weeks ago but my doctors decided it was safer to send me on to the Mayo Clinic. Mayo couldn't get me in until the end of November initially but we were so excited that they were able to move my appointment to THIS Friday, Oct 12! We know that we will have great medical professionals to help me, that they will need to do a lot of tests and that we may need to be in Rochester for many days. We don't know if they will be able to do anything to help, if they will feel comfortable doing surgery, if they will have other options to consider but we are hopeful. I am confident that God is far, far ahead of us in this, just as He has been through the rest of this health adventure. I'll keep you all updated and I'll also try to share a few of the ways God has made His love so clear in this. We don't know if I'll have to be away from church at all, but if I am, there are people who have volunteered to step in and keep things going smoothly. This has been such a load off my mind!

Here are some of the fun things we've got to look forward to in the next few weeks: Parents of 3rd Graders– we will be giving out the Bibles during services at 9am and 11am on October 28.

Sunday School Teachers– There will not be singing time for the K-5 kids on October 28 because of the Missions Fair. However, you are welcome to bring your class to the Missions Fair if you'd like to do so.

Oct 31 for K-5 Midweek will be a fun new adventure! The Middle Schoolers are putting on a "Costume Crawl" for us. Kids, come in your costumes and rotate between stations where you will learn about the Bible and God's love. There will be a prize at each station! (No need to bring a bag to carry your loot. We've got some for everyone!) BRING FRIENDS!

See you soon!
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Our Human Hungry Hungry Hippos game was a fun way to learn some new verses and laugh. This week for Midweek we'll talk about Paul's journeys.

SENIOR HIGH YOUTH

This last week, the noise and energy in the church was a lot different as all of midweek started up. It was fun to hear the different comments from students in favor of the change and those wishing it was just the high school group still. I personally enjoyed it as there are people and noise around before and after youth group and I didn't have to worry about unlocking/locking up the church.

During the month of October, we will be doing a "You Asked It" series in the youth group. The students have asked a lot of great questions regarding religion, faith, scripture and doubts. I am looking forward to the discussion the group will be having and to studying this month to help address these questions. This first week, we will be addressing questions about Christianity verses other religions. This is a great way to transition from our messages this September where we focused on the good news of Jesus. After all, Jesus is at the center of what sets Christianity apart.

Our high school event for the month of October is a full day on October 21st. We will be partnering with the Love Lexi 5K Challenge, where student are able to come and run/walk/cheer the 5K. We will follow it up with a meal and some games together before finishing the night (weather permitting) at the corn maze. Student are welcome to come enjoy the whole day together or come to what their schedules allow. They can RSVP by calling/texting/emailing me with what they plan on coming to.

As always, if there are any questions about the high school ministry, please feel free to contact me anytime!

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REGISTERHERE

To Register to run the Love Lexi
5K Challenge go to
allsportscentral.com.

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH

On Sunday the middle school kids talked about God working when people are saying bad things about us. Unfortunately, there can be a lot of that in middle school. We explored what the bible says about loving our enemies and talked about God's place as a judge and His love for them.

On Wednesday, we will talk about Gideons call from God. God showed Gideon and the Israelites that not only is He faithful to them, but He also values them and loves them. God isn't waiting for the Spirit to sanctify us, to love us. He sees us in the big picture and loves us even with all the brokenness. Sometimes I wonder what it would be like if we could see ourselves in God's eyes. I hope you all have a great week!

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INFO YOU MAY NEED TO KNOW...

FALL SCHEDULE

Baptism Service
NOV 11

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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, November 11 @ 3pm.**

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