Rain, rain, go away! Remember that one? I almost don’t want to say that because I know what dry can look like in this state, but I think I’m ok this time. I really don’t know what to say about this. It has been a long go for us this year. I am waiting for another round this evening (Tuesday) and then maybe more tomorrow. However, there is some hope on the horizon so many we can get through this. I know it has been very hard for many in agriculture. One of those years when things are not going the best in that way. It sure is green though. I guess that can make us smile.

A busy month ahead around here with a few weddings and then going to Michigan next week. It is hard to believe once again that May is nearly over and June is nearly here. I know we will see the time get away very quickly when there is that much going on. I am always hoping that summer can see a little slow time, but so far that is not the case. It is all worth doing and doing well. There are some hard things going on right now for people as well, so be in prayer for those families who are struggling with a new day. Life is always moving right along and we never know what might be in front of us.

The kids fishing day is coming up Saturday, June 8. I haven’t looked at the sign-up sheet, but that usually fills right up. I hope you are planning on taking a little kid out to do some fishing. I also am praying for a nice day! Get out there and catch a big one!

Heather put together those family fun packs and they all went out this past Sunday. Wow! Apparently, those are going to be a popular item. Let us know what you think when you get into them. It was as great idea and one that we hope will bring some good family time to your summer.

I think most of the graduations in the area are now complete and summer vacations are just around the corner for a lot of families. I don’t know if you all have things planned yet but enjoy the summer as it is coming at us very quickly. I did manage to get in a few receptions this year. I didn’t get to all of them, but for the ones I saw it was very special. Congrats to all of you!

Summer on Sundays is always interesting around the church. I know that many of you will be out and about. The lakes are calling! The season is just about here! I think for some, it is already here! We do miss you all when you are away, but I strongly encourage you to get out and enjoy your family times together. You can catch us online at any time during the week. That will help keep you plugged into all that is going on. I have a fun summer series coming up so tune in!

Sunday we are going to finish the series on Discipleship. Our last message is going to center around the text of Jesus final words to his followers. What did he say? What was the last thing he wanted them to hear from his heart? And what exactly did he mean? We’ll talk more on Sunday, have a great week!
SUMMER BIBLE STUDY
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5
7:30PM
This class is covering Johnan Christoph Arnold's book, "Be Not Afraid: Overcoming the Fear of Death" and will run every Wednesday through August.

KID’S FISHING DAY
SATURDAY, JUNE 8
12:00-3:00pm
@ The Outdoor Campus

Sign up at The Link in the lobby. Please sign up your child only on the list. Space limited to the first 40 kids. Parents are welcome.
Noon-1pm Lunch
1-3pm Fishing

WOMEN’S RETREAT
SATURDAY, JUNE 8
9:00am-Noon. Hosted by Liz Teel and Abbie Coffey. Theme: The Green Grass Grows All Around. Sign up at The Link or email Liz or Abbie.

BABYLON CAMP
TUES. JUNE 11 & WED. JUNE 12th
1:00-4:00pm
K-5 Grade
More info in Heather’s article on page 4.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Wednesday, May 29
6:30pm– Grief Class (closed group)

Thursday, May 30
8:30 & 9:30pm– Church Softball

Saturday, June 1
7:00 am—Prayer ministry (Chapel)
10:00am– Closed AA meeting

Sunday, June 2
10:10am– Adult Sunday School

Monday, June 3
9:30am– Joy Circle

Tuesday, June 4
7:00pm– AA Meeting

Wednesday, June 5
5:15am– Crack of Dawn Connections (running)
7:30pm– Summer Bible Study led by John Thornton

FINANCES
Sunday, May 26, 2019

General: $9,040
Vision: $1,119
Missions: $265

General YTD: $324,325
Vision YTD: $92,700
Vision Account Balance: $104,215

UPCOMING MINISTRIES

COMMUNITY BOOK CLUBS
The morning book club will meet Wednesday, June 12 at 9am at the Bagel Boy on MN Ave. We will be discussing Rebecca by Du Maurier.

The evening book club will meet Tuesday, June 18 at 7 pm at the Panera on Foss Ave (Eastside). We will be discussing State of Wonder by Patchett.
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.

THE GIVE
Check out THE GIVE wall in the lobby. It’s a place to donate to local ministries.
Safe Families– diapers (size 2 & up)/ wipes/ pull-ups
Union Gospel Mission– pasta
Mission Haiti– backpacks and shoes
Caring Cards– used cards

MISSION OF THE MONTH: Samaritan’s Feet

JOY CIRCLE JUNE EVENTS
Please join us for the following::
June 3 Bible Study at 9:30 Word to study is Joy. Coffee hour after the Bible study.

June 17 Bible Study at 9:30. The word to study is Peace.

HOPE CIRCLE will meet June 18 at 7:00pm. Hostess is Carol. Lesson is Jeanie.

FAITH CIRCLE will meet on Monday, June 17, 1:00pm at the church. Discussion will be held on the subject, “HEAVEN” led by Liz. Hostess: Sharon Brink
LIZ’S UPDATE

Adult Discipleship/Worship

Next week we have several summer ministry programs that will be getting under way. Pastor John’s book study starts next week. He’ll lead that study on Wednesday nights at 7:30pm starting June 5th and running through August. His class will cover Johnan Christoph Arnold’s book, “Be Not Afraid: Overcoming the Fear of Death.” If you are interested in this class, you can either buy the book yourself or talk with John about the best way to get a copy.

The next Women’s Retreat is scheduled for June 8, which is just one week from Saturday. This will be the second retreat in The Happiness Factor series. You do not have to have attended the first retreat in order to come to the second retreat. We know June starts to fill up for everyone, but it is our hope that this time will be used to refocus the women on God as they head into their busy summer schedules. RSVPs are not required but they do help us plan! Please RSVP to me or my sister, Abbie!

The kids fishing event takes place on June 8 and is from 12:00-3:00 at the Outdoor Campus in Sioux Falls. There is a limit of 40 kids, so please sign up your kids at The Link!

And lastly, the grief group wrapped up their first cohort last week. I’ve heard some tremendously positive feedback from that group and its facilitators. It was an effective time for all involved. If you missed this cohort, remember that there will be a fall group starting up as well (and even another one after that). Very soon you’ll see those grief flyiers at The Link and The Corner again. The flyiers contain all of the pertinent info and dates for the next group, and you’ll also find the preregistration form that is required for all attendees. Remember this group is for both men and women, and there is no age limit. And if you attended the first group, you are welcome to attend the next one too. The grief group is free to anyone who has experienced the death of a loved one. If you have questions, please contact me. And remember to keep a lookout for those new flyiers.

Have a great week!

Liz
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PRAYER REQUEST

- Natallie Baker (seizure disorder)
- Clayton Bierwagen (heart)
- Jodie Jensen (cancer)
- Chelle McMurray’s dad (multiple myeloma)
- Ellen Nelson (chronic airway disease)
- Lexi Valentine (auto-immune disease)
- Jessica Vander Weide (heart)
- Lindsey Vander Weide (heart)
- Bruce Heinen (Laura Maloney’s brother-in-law) lymphoma
- Diane Johnson (liver disease)
- Gary Jensen (cancer)
- Sara Van Ruler’s dad (throat cancer)
- Lori Hein’s mom, Joan (heart)
- Wade Persson’s mom (cancer)
- Randy Grotenhuis (inflammation of the inner ear)
- Al Hoogendoorn (multiple health issues)
- Randy (Al & Dolly Hoogendoorn’s son)
- Rika VanDenTop
- Trentin Kooima’s infant son
- Jerry Ackerman (Lonny Ackerman’s dad) open heart surgery (5/22)
- Chris Wielenga (healing from burns)
HEATHER’S UPDATE

Hi Everyone!
Please visit the sign up table this Sunday or hop online to sign up your child for Babylon and/or VBS, invite some friends, and volunteer if you can. It is going to be a great summer!

K-5 GRADE:
BABYLON MINI
BIBLE CAMP
JUNE 11 & 12
1-4PM
ART, SCIENCE, GAMES, FUN!
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
SIGN UP AT:
https://vbspro.events/p/events/ckc

All 6 Family Adventure Packs were checked out this Sunday. I'm excited about that because I'm always a little nervous when we try new things. 😊 For those of you that try them out, please let me know what you think and if you want to share some photos of your adventures with the Community Kids Facebook Page, that is fun too. If these turn out to be a good idea, we can fine tune them and maybe add a few more.

If you missed that announcement, there are big blue bags in the foyer filled with fun. Community’s Family Adventure Packs have everything you need to have some fun together as a family. They may be an outdoor adventure, good for a rainy day, ideal for younger kids, planned for older kids, fun for grown-ups or even great for a car ride. You can try all of them if you’d like! Each pack has some parts of the Bible you could read if you’d like. Our goal is for you to have time with your family and time with God. Therefore, please don’t use the discussion topics as a worksheet. You can use it if you’d like but if you’d rather just enjoy the activities and games in the bag, that is great too! The themes we have so far are: Trees & Hammocks, Road Trip & Bible Journeys, Creation, In Tents & Tent Makers, Rainy Days & Noah’s Ark, Lost & Found.

If you have suggestions for new Family Adventure Pack themes or activities, send them my way. I’ve got some thoughts in mind but I’m going to wait a few weeks to see if these first 6 are a hit. Besides, I’ve got Babylon Camp and VBS to prepare for and I’m SO EXCITED about those! 😊

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DOYLE’S UPDATE

HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY

The last week of May is upon us, and that means our high school in-city mission trip is next week! We have several great ministries we are partnering with, and I am looking forward to serving with the students. This week is the final week to get registered for the trip. If you have any questions let me know!

Then, a few weeks later is high school camp. I will be taking a group up to Pickerel Lake Bible camp. This year I will be serving as the Assistant Camp Coordinator and am excited to bring a group up with me. Camp registration is also due this week! June 1st is the final day to register and is done so online. Registration can be found at https://plibc.wordpress.com/registration/. There is also information about camp at the website. I am also available to answer any questions as I have been going to camp for the past 18 years.

The final insert for me this week is about our summer course. Our senior high ministry is welcome to join me for a summer series on Spiritual Disciplines. We will begin meeting Monday mornings at 9:00 a.m. here at Church. We will be focusing on 13 different practices throughout the summer as we continue to grow in our relationship with our Heavenly Father. This is not a 13 step process to become a better person, or Christian. It is a process of intentionally seeking after God and becoming more like Christ. My prayer for the course is that God would continue to lead us as and form us through the work of the Holy Spirit.

Summer is officially here for the majority of our students (Brandon still had a few days this week for those who were not seniors) and we are in the swing of things here as well. I am looking forward to my first full summer here and am so thankful for a great first year!

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### Women’s Retreat

**The Happiness Factor: Session 2**

**The Green Grass Grew All Around**

All women welcome!

Invite your friends!

Free Admission

Sign up at The Link or email Liz/Abbie

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### Mission Trip to Haiti

**March 1-7, 2020 (dates may change slightly)**

FOR MORE INFO OR TO BE ADDED TO THE LIST OF INTERESTED PEOPLE (EMAIL jaron_edw@gmail.com)
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, June 30 @ 3pm.**

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.