I think maybe spring may have arrived this past week. I don’t want to get ahead of myself too far, but it seems like this might be true. However, in a short couple of weeks spring will be over and we are into summer. I guess a short spring is what we are going to get. It was so nice to feel sun and see a little drying. I do hope that this helps with all kinds of things that people are trying to get done. It has been a long journey hasn’t it? May is gone and now we are into the month of June. That’s right, June!

Heather said that the family fun packs are a hit. She is actually going to make up two more for the taking. These are such a great way to have a little family time and learn at the same time. Connecting! That’s always a good thing. Pick one when they are available. Each one is different. Each one has a theme. It was a great idea! Family Fun Packs!

The women’s retreat is happening this Saturday morning. Liz and Abbie have put another one together for the ladies and they are excited about bringing a new word to you. Please find a friend and bring them along. This is another one of those easy ways to get someone involved in things around the church. It’s some good singing, teaching, food and time with God. You can’t beat that for a Saturday morning.

The kids are going fishing on Saturday afternoon. I didn’t check to see how many have signed up, but I’m sure it is a good number. If you want to get them on the list now you can call the office and we can get those names on there. It will be a lot of fun. It always is!

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CALENDER OF EVENTS

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

Thursday, June 6
6:30 & 7:30pm–
Church Softball

Saturday, June 8
7:00 am—Prayer ministry (Chapel)
10:00am— Closed AA meeting
9am-Noon– Women’s Retreat
Noon– 3pm– Kid’s Fishing Day

Sunday, June 9
10:10am– Adult Sunday School

Monday, June 10
9:30am– Joy Circle
Noon– Seniors @ E. Pizza Ranch

Tuesday, June 11
7:00pm– AA Meeting
1:00-4:00pm– Babylon Camp

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FINANCES
Sunday, June 2, 2019

General:..........................$20,102
Vision: ............................$2,875
Missions:..........................$130

General YTD: $353,782
Vision YTD: $98,753
Vision Account Balance: $102,675

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

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.

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

HOPE CIRCLE meets June 18 at 7pm. Hostess: Carol. Lesson: 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

I was pleasantly surprised at how many people were able to relate to the “rock” devotional I shared on Sunday during worship! Apparently, God has been leading many of us to rocks for quite some time now and for good reason...

Psalm 18:2
The LORD is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer; my God is my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.

Psalm 78:35
They remembered that God was their Rock, that God Most High was their Redeemer.

Isaiah 30:29
And you will sing as on the night you celebrate a holy festival; your hearts will rejoice as when people playing pipes go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the Rock of Israel.

Keep an eye out for those “rock reminders,” friends!

And don’t forget about our upcoming events:

June 5
7:30pm Pastor’s John’s Summer Book Study Class

June 8
9:00-noon Women’s Retreat “The Happiness Factor”

June 8
12:00-3:00pm
Kids Fishing Outing at the Outdoor Campus

Have a great week!
Liz
Liz.Teel@communityrc.org

Our condolences go out to the families of Ardice Powell and Arlene Clyde. Please keep those families in your prayers.

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)
- 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
- Trentlin Kooima’s infant son
- Jerry Ackerman (Lonny Ackerman’s dad) open heart surgery (5/22)
- Chris Wielenga (healing from burns)
- Grace Vanden Heuval (broken hip)
Hi Everyone!

Babylon Camp is already next week! I think we are going to have a great time while we learn some exciting Bible stories. 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. I really do think this will be an exciting summer.

Since the Family Adventure packs seem to be a hit, I’m working on two new ones that should be ready for Sunday. I’m happy they are getting checked out and that people are enjoying a little time with them. With 8 available for the rest of summer and into the fall, I hope you all get to check one out. Watch for the two new ones this week. They are “Rocks” (thanks to Liz for the inspiration in her words on Sunday morning) and “Lion around” (which will have 6 hammocks inside.) Both will have indoor and outdoor activities. The lion themed one will have another puzzle since the Noah’s Ark puzzle sounded like it might be a hit with the adults. If you enjoy playing board, card and dice games, you may have to check out a kit here or there too. These two new kits both contain a yard game as well! 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.

Karen has been hard at work on decorations for VBS. I’m sure she’d love some help in transforming the church into an adventure area for “Roar” VBS! If that sounds fun to you, send me an email and I’ll get you connected.

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Community Consistory
May 9, 2019
Community Reformed Church, Sioux Falls, SD

Attendance: Mike Boyenga, Michael Dick, Jaron DeWit, Jim Fisher, Chad Odens, Curt Zwart, Doug Harms, Mark Koll, Jolene Larson, Bob Weerheim, Gerald Teunissen, Laura Maloney, Bob H., Matt W., Nick, Eric, Rick, Tom, Dustin, Mike H., and Clyde Teel.
Laura read from Romans 8, followed by a devotional written by JC Chambers, then opened with prayer. Laura also gave an update on the Grief Group.
MSA of the March 2019 minutes.
MSA of the financial reports for March and April 2019 given by Clyde.

Old Business:
Bob W. shared an update on Faith Ave., bidding will begin end of June with a possible mid-July start.
Chad O. gave an update from Josiah and the AV Tech team. They will be switching to the app company Subsplash and hope to make this transition around May 19th.

New Business:
Liz and Heather submitted their monthly reports.
Heather reported all children’s programming ended well, she is talking through some possible changes for next year. Coming Summer 2019: Family Adventure Packs
Liz continues to serve many in The Corner. She plans to launch the Small Group Ministry this fall and will be wrapping up preparations this summer. Liz and Abbie had two very successful Women’s Retreats at CRC and in Burke. They have another retreat scheduled at CRC in June and Inwood, IA in August. Worship players and singers had a general rehearsal session in May, Liz is still looking for an extra substitute drummer.

MSA to nominate Gerald as Vice President for 2019-20
MSA to nominate Jolene as Secretary for 2019-20
MSA to nominate Matt Marcus for Assistant Treasurer for 2019-20
Please read descriptions of task forces. We will choose assignments at the next meeting.
Clyde will be gone June 6-11 for General Synod and will also be presiding over Regional Synod as acting President.
Security camera update: Cameras will be installed this summer as well as repairs to the drywall and touch up painting.
Fundraising for the March 2020 mission trip to Haiti will begin soon.

Next Meeting: June 20, 2019.
MSA to adjourn.
Clyde closed with a time of prayer.
Respectfully Submitted, Jolene Larson, Clerk
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INFO YOU MAY NEED TO KNOW...

IMPORTANT DATES

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JUNE 30

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