

THE COMMUNICATOR

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PASTOR'S UPDATE

Well, we have come to the end of June and it is now July. The 4th of July weekend is right in front of us now and summer is moving along. I know that lots of folks have been traveling on weekends and spending time at the lakes. It's summer and that is what we do in this area. Once again, I am hoping you are all having a great summer. Certainly, we can feel the heat of the season as the temps and humidity have let us know that summer is here. I don't think we were all that ready for the fast change, but that's how things go around here. One day is winter the next day it's summer. Enjoy!

It was a good day for us to send Sarah Powell off to her new position in Arizona. We all are wishing her the very best as she goes. I am sure we will be hearing reports from her from time to time letting us know how things are going. It is going to be a big change for her with new challenges and new surroundings. It is a calling that she is answering. Pray that God will use her gifts for the changing and molding of those young women she will be working with.

We are all trying to slow things down in the office for this next month. It is nice to have a little break before Bible School gets going and then fall activities hit us. We all know how full that plate gets and so to have a little time to rest is good. I do feel like that gets more difficult as each year passes. We are growing that is for sure. It's all good, but even "good" can get tiring if one is not careful. It's a good reminder for all of us. Rest when you can!

We have several things planned for the building of the school Haiti that we are involved in. You have been seeing all kinds of things in the lobby here recently. The BBQ4 classrooms is coming in August and the mission for VBS this year is all about that as well. I even heard talk about a pastor's dunk tank. I'm not sure about that one! We are doing our best to make a big impact on what goes on there. Get involved... it's fun and at the same time potentially life changing for a lot of kids.

The annual Picnic in the Park is coming up on the 24th of July. This year we are going to do that in the upper Tuthill Park area. 6:30pm start time! Bring some food and let's have a great night!

Sunday's message is going to be once again focused on the inner workings of the Holy Spirit in our lives. The fire is about purifying our lives. Our intentions, our motivations, our plans, our priorities...all of that. How does that work? We'll talk more on Sunday, have a great week!



NURSERY SCHEDULE

July 7: 9:00am—

Juanita Palsma
Josh & Molly Kuehl
11:00am-
Kristi Olson
Leslie Cleveringa

July 14: 9:00am—

Keith, Laura & Emma Maloney
11:00am-
Arlan & Mary Burggraff

THE LINK SCHEDULE

July 7:

9:00am- Darren & Tracee Ellwein
11:00am- Jerralynne Tjeerdsma

July 14:

9:00am- Bob & Lori Hein
11:00am- Bill & Dar Keizer

COFFEE SCHEDULE

July 7: Irwin & Helen Van Leeuwen

July 14: Steve & Becky Lee

July 21: Dick & Jeannette Jennings

GREETER SCHEDULE

July 7

9:00am-
Stan & Elaine Deelstra
Dennie & Helen Robinson
Ron & Juanita Palsma
11:00am-
Donna Humme
Bert Roetman

July 14

9:00am-
Gary & Connie Parmley
Gerald & Deb Teunissen
James & Jennifer Bauman
11:00am-
Bert Roetman
Bill & Dar Keizer



PICNIC IN THE PARK

WEDNESDAY, JULY 24

6:30PM

UPPER TUTHILL PARK

Please bring food to share and your own chair. We'll be grilling hotdogs! Water also provided.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

SUNDAY, JULY 28-

WED. JULY 31

6:00-8:00PM

Infants-5th Grade

SIGN UP AT: [https://](https://vbspro.events/p/events/2019)

vbspro.events/p/events/2019

(NEW)

BBQ 4

CLASSROOMS

SUNDAY, AUG 11

4:00-7:00PM

Join us for a fundraising BBQ party to build 4 classrooms at the Frederique School in Haiti. Come for some great food, silent auction, bean bag tournament, classic car show and dunk tank.

APPY BIRTHDAY

SUNDAY, AUG 11

MORNING SERVICES

Community will be unveiling a new app! We'll celebrate with cupcakes that morning!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Wednesday, July 3

5:15am- Crack of Dawn
7:30pm- Summer Bible Study

Thursday, July 4

OFFICE CLOSED

Saturday, July 6

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

Sunday, July 7

10:10am- Adult Sunday School

Monday, July 8

Noon- Seniors @ E. Pizza Ranch

Tuesday, July 9

7:00pm- AA Meeting

Wednesday, July 10

5:15am- Crack of Dawn
9:00am- Book Club
7:30pm- Summer Bible Study

FINANCES

Sunday, June 30, 2019

General:.....\$9,768

Vision:\$1,615

Missions:.....\$190

General YTD: \$393,534

Vision YTD: \$107,448

Vision Account Balance: \$98,453

UPCOMING MINISTRIES

COMMUNITY BOOK CLUBS

The **morning book club** will meet on Wednesday, July 10, at 9 am at the Bagel Boy on Minnesota Ave. We will be discussing *True to You* by Becky Wade.

The **evening book club** will meet on Tuesday, July 16 at 7pm at the eastside Panera Bread. We will be discussing *I Am Malada*.

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: Hope Haven International

HOPE CIRCLE The Hope Circle is taking a vacation until September. There will be no monthly meetings until then.

JOY CIRCLE July Events:

July 15th- Word to Study "Kindness".

We will be meeting at 9:30am at Community. Everyone welcome.

FAITH CIRCLE Will meet on Monday, July 15, 1:00pm at

church. Liz will continue our discussion on "HEAVEN" and move on to other questions we gave her. If you would like to join us, you are welcome. Hostess: Shirley Schuld

LIZ'S UPDATE

Adult Discipleship/Worship



People of all ages are invited to be a part of VBS! VBS runs July 28-31, and we meet in the evenings from 6:00-8:00pm. Of course, the actual VBS activities are for children.☺ We have classes for 3-year-olds through 5th grade. **But if you are an adult who is young at heart, (or at least middle-aged at heart)! ☺ or a Middle School or High School student, we need your help to pull off this ministry!** We are looking for teachers, helpers, crafters, gamers, readers, feeders, and players! If you've never been to VBS at Community, you need to come. I've been leading the music for VBS since before I started working at Community, and let me tell you, the days of VBS are some of the most spiritually powerful times here at Community! It's inspiring to see kids engaging with God in these incredible ways. I promise, if you help at VBS, you'll be blessed! And lastly, don't forget to register your kids to attend VBS too. You don't *have* to preregister, but it does help Heather get things ready for everyone.

I have been continuing to work on a new **Small Group ministry** for this fall. For those of you who might be interested, I will be having two informational meetings on September 11 and 18 to share about how the small groups will be structured. Following that, the plan is to randomly draw groups of 6-10, depending on how many people want to be involved, at a formal "Draw" on September 25. Then, that night, these groups will meet to discuss times they are able to get together, and they'll also decide on their own what they would like to do when they meet. I'll be giving each small group a packet of ideas ranging from studies to service projects to recreational activities. And each group will do their own thing in their own time! As we move through this first year, the groups will have the option to decide to continue meeting into the next year OR to sign up for the following year's draw in order to connect with even more people at Community. I'll be giving even more details and answering your questions at the info meetings in September, but hopefully this little paragraph should give you a basic idea of what I'm aiming for. If you've ever been a part of a small group ministry, you'll recognize right away that this is definitely different! But I'm really excited to see how this might help connect people at Community.

And lastly this week, I hope you are all able to take time this week to celebrate America's freedom. I love Independence Day for two reasons; first, I am deeply thankful to celebrate America and all it took to make us the land of the free and the home of the brave. And second, I love Independence Day because I can also celebrate true freedom in Christ on July 4th. "It is for freedom that Christ has set us free." Amen to that!

Have a great week!

Liz

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HEATHER'S UPDATE

KIDS MINISTRY

Hi Everyone,

It has been a great summer so far. This week my article is all about Vacation Bible School.

VBS is hard to describe but I wish that you could all experience the way God moves in those four days. Even if you aren't able to volunteer or you don't have kids, I welcome you to come for a little bit of the worship time, sit in the back of the chapel during lesson time, listen to giggles during the craft, enjoy a little snack with the kids or even just sit in your car and watch the kids do games. On the last night, I always find myself a bit weepy. It might be partly being exhausted, but feeling God move in a room full of kids is something I am so thankful to have gotten to experience. It is incredible to get to do this once, so the fact that I get to do it year after year is amazing to me. So, come join the fun!

Please be sure to get your kids signed up and invite many friends. We share that event on Facebook and leave flyers at the table to make it easier for you to spread the word. We'd love to have many visitors again this year. <https://vbspro.events/p/events/2019>

We really need more volunteers! There are many volunteer jobs that need to be filled and we need you to help. Even if you don't usually work with kids, this is a great opportunity to jump in and make a difference with only a 4 evening commitment. You might surprise yourself. We need people for snack, games, crafts, lesson and to lead all of the age groups. We could also use a photographer as well as clean up crew, decoration helpers, registration and many others. To register to volunteer or to register a child please click <https://vbspro.events/p/events/2019> You can also sign up in the foyer at church.

Finally, if you want to bring snack, items, you can sign up at the VBS table or click <https://bit.ly/2ZTdXTJ> We mostly need mini bottles of water and juice boxes but there are many items on the list.

I know that the end of July seems far away but if the beginning of summer is any indication, I think time will fly by!

See you soon
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DOYLE'S UPDATE

HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY

July is here and will be a little slower month overall. We do have a few gatherings planned for the high school group, but our trips are finished for the summer.

Students got back a few weeks ago from camp. This year we headed up to a new place called Pickerel Lake Bible Camp, where a total of 50 campers came together. We had seven students come along from Community and overall had a great week of camp. It was a lot cooler than most weeks which has some good and bad along with it. The dorms were a little better for sleeping (I sleep better when it cooler anyway!) and the sweat comes from playing/running around instead of just stepping outside. However, the cooler temps mixed with some rain did keep us from the lake a few days and had us inside a little more than a normal week.

The theme of the week was sinner and saint. Both the morning and evening speakers each day spoke on how these two things are true about each of us. We are simultaneously both a sinner and a saint. It doesn't change day to day or hour to hour. While we are unsteady, and fall short, we also explored how God stays steady and remains true to His promises. He doesn't abandon us because we messed up, but continues to work and move in our lives. We can find our hope and strength in His promises.

Our first gathering in July is coming up this Monday, the 8th. Abby and I will be hosting a supper at our house. Students going into 9th grade – graduated seniors are welcome to join us for some food, fellowship and games. This will be a great chance for our incoming Freshman to start making their place with the high school group before we get going this Fall. If your student(s) plan to join us, please RSVP to me so I can have a good estimate of how much food to get.

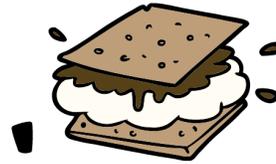
That's it from me this week. Hope you all have a fun and safe 4th!

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July 4th- no games
 July 11th- 6:30pm (Field I)
 7:30pm (Field H)
 July 18th- 8:30pm (Field I)
 9:30pm (Field H)
 *All games played at
 Sherman Park by the zoo



S'more CLASSROOMS 4HAITI

WE ARE SELLING S'MORES PACKS TO
 BUILD 4 CLASSROOMS AT THE
 FREDERIQUE SCHOOL IN HAITI.



PRAYER REQUEST

- 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)
- Bruce Heinen (Laura Maloney's brother-in-law) lymphoma
- Diane Johnson (liver disease)
- Gary Jensen (cancer)
- Jenna Hoogendoorn (Mayo visit)
- Sara Van Ruler's dad (throat cancer)
- Wade Persson's mom (cancer)
- Randy Grotenhuis (inner ear nerve damage)
- Al Hoogendoorn (multiple health issues)
- Randy (Al & Dolly Hoogendoorn's son)
- Jerry Ackerman (Lonny Ackerman's dad) open heart surgery
- Grace Vanden Heuval (cracked rib)
- Jackie Holleman
- Dave Sells (surgery recovery)

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INFO YOU MAY NEED TO KNOW...

IMPORTANT DATES

Baptism Service
OCT 6

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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, Oct 6 @ 3pm.**

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