The month of September is over half done and fall seems to be finding its way into our days. However, this past weekend felt a little more like August to me. I guess I really don’t mind if summer would like to hang on for a few more days. I am in no real hurry for it to be gone. I know there is a predicted bit of rain for the rest of this week, but nothing like they are getting on the east coast. Sometimes I’m glad I do live out here on the prairie.

The first Sunday of Sunday school is in the books. Heather said for the most part it all seemed to go just fine. It’s a big job making sure we get everyone in the right place at the right time. There always have to be a few bumps in the new road to work out. Again, thanks so much to all of you who are giving your time to make this happen. Good job!

The MidWeek activities will be starting very soon and I know we are still looking for helpers to for the children’s part of that evening. We have been focusing all of our time and efforts on getting Sunday school up and going so now it’s time to turn our attention to MidWeek. We need some help! I haven’t checked with Janet on the meal stuff, but I am sure they could use more help with that. It takes a lot of people to make this work, but I still maintain that MidWeek is one of the best things we do around here for families and individuals of all ages. We will be doing more advertising in the coming days and get the word out about what the options are for adult classes. We are doing some new things this year. It’s all good!

Attention singers!!!! We will be starting that Christmas choir rehearsals in October. If you have questions take to Liz or me.

We would love to see some new faces in that group and we certainly don’t want to lose any of the members from the past. Last year was so amazing! We want to build on that foundation. This is a great way to connect to the church and I often encourage folks to invite a singing friend. Liz and I are picking out music. The time is getting close!

I talked to Sheri this past Sunday and it sounded like a number of people stepped forward to help with Nursery. She was pretty excited on Sunday about the number of people who came to help with that ministry. Once again...Great Job Community!!!!

My Wednesday night class is going to do a study on the book of Romans. I have done that before, but not quite like I am planning this year. We are going to do a close read together. There is no rush. No agenda! We go as far each week as it takes us! Our focus is what the Word is saying to us. I can give some background and some direction, but I want us to come to listen what God is saying through His word. It’s something a bit new.

The “Boat Rocker” series is up and going. As I said on Sunday, I have been so ready to get started on this series. I believe there will be a number of things we are going discover in these next few weeks that are going to challenge each of us in our spiritual lives. Jesus could say hard things to folks. He didn’t do that to be mean. He did that to open their eyes and hearts to the fullness of God. This Sunday we will talk to some fishermen who left everything they knew to follow this man from Nazareth. He just asked to them to walk away from their past. Let it go! We’ll talk more on Sunday, have a great week!
I have been extremely encouraged by all that’s been happening in The Corner since it has opened! I’ve spoken with many people about a variety of topics. Plus, the snacks have been top notch! Here’s a little recap of just a few things for which The Corner was created.

If you are new to Community, and you have questions about anything that might happen here, *come stand in The Corner!* It’s a great place to see where you might fit in, and to meet others who might be looking for similar church experiences.

If you want to become a member or you have questions about that process, *come stand in The Corner!* I can fill you in on what you need to know, and then I can be sure to follow up with you as you work through that process. (The process is super easy, by the way.)

If you have a special prayer need or you want to visit about something significant that’s going on in your life, *come stand in The Corner!* I’d love to chat with you and see if there’s a way that Community can help or be a part of your world.

You’ll find me standing in The Corner on Sunday mornings from 10:00 until about 10:40, and then again after the 11:00 service from noon until about 12:10. Pop in, have a quick bite and some coffee, and say hello!

I’m still looking for a few more people who might be willing to make goodies for the corner. If baking is something you enjoy, let me know!

If you’re a fan of classic hymns, you’ll want to keep your eyes open for details on an upcoming Hymn Sing to be hosted here at church. Joyce Tarrel will be lining up the event, and I know it will be a blessing!

Believe it or not, Christmas Choir plans are starting to come together! For those of you who might be new to the choir experience here at Community, let me give you a few details.
MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH

MIDDLE SCHOOL COLOR BASH
SATURDAY, SEPT 29
11:30am-3:30pm
Lunch, games & a fun color battle to kickoff our year! (Dress for a mess) Please RSVP to Sarah Powell by email powell.sarahellen@gmail.com or call/text to 605-251-6491.

MIDWEEK ADULT CLASSES

JUST ASK
LIZ TEEL
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 may have about God and their faith.

ADULT BIBLE AND BOOK STUDY
PASTOR CLYDE TEEL
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.

FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY
JOSIAH DUNLAP
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

OUR BEAUTIFUL PURPOSE
ANDREA DICK
This class will focus on issues that young women face including identity, friendships, self care, fears, calling, purpose, and self worth.

THE BIBLE FOR 3RD GRADERS...FOR ADULTS
TRUDI NELSON
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.
Hi Everyone!

Wow! We had a great first week of Sunday School. Thank you to all of the leaders, teachers and helpers that make Sunday School possible each week. You make such an impact! Also, I want to thank the kids who came and their parents! We had a great turn out for our first week and the kids really were wonderful. If you weren’t able to come this past week, that’s ok. Just join in whenever you can.

Midweek is coming soon! We need Shepherds for the K/1 Grade kids and the 2/3 Grade kids and we need lesson teachers which can be done weekly, monthly, quarterly or just once. To sign up you can go to https://goo.gl/djrLqP or visit our table in the lobby. You can also call or email me if it is easier for you.

Parents of Middle School students, if you are reading this online, please join us for the Middle School parent meeting this Wednesday. Sarah will talk a little about what you can expect this year and you are welcome to ask questions as well.

See you soon!

-Heather DeWit
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336-1475
PRAYER REQUESTS

- Pete Valentine
- Natallie Baker (seizure disorder)
- Clayton Bierwagen (heart)
- Jodie Jensen (cancer)
- Chelle McMurry’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)

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:
The Banquet

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UNION GOSPEL MISSION:
Regular Coffee
Please place in the designated bin at The Give in the lobby.

Women’s Ministry

JOY CIRCLE
Joy Bible Study will meet Monday, Oct. 1st @ 9:30am at church. The word for this month is “Faithfulness”.

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

Finances at a Glance:
Sunday, Sept 16
General: $15,765
Vision: $1,795
Missions: $675
Sunday School: $201

General YTD: $548,529
Vision YTD: $136,847
Vision Account Balance: $93,095
LOOKING FORWARD

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Wednesday, Sept 19
6:00pm– H.S. Youth Group
6:00pm– M.S. Parent Night

Saturday, Sept 22
7:00 am—Prayer ministry (Chapel)
10:00am– Closed AA meeting
Wedding

Sunday, Sept 23
10:10am– Sunday School

Monday, Sept 24
1:00pm– Men’s Bible Study

Tuesday, Sept 25
7:00pm– Open AA Meeting

Wednesday, Sept 26
6:00pm– H.S. Youth Group

UPCOMING MINISTRIES

COMMUNITY BOOK CLUBS
The morning book club will meet Wednesday, Oct. 10th @ 9:00am at Bagel Boy on MN Ave. We will be discussing All the Light We Cannot See by Doerr.

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

SENIOR CITIZENS
Meet at the E. Pizza Ranch on October 8 @ 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.

MIDWEEK STARTS
OCT 3 | 6-8PM
CLASSES FOR ALL AGES

CHRISTMAS CHOIR
OCT 7 | 6-7:30PM
It’s the most wonderful time of the year...Christmas Choir is starting! Join us for practices every Sunday evening starting Oct. 7th . Child Care provided.

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.
CONDOLENCES

Our condolences go out to Jan Kruen and her family for the recent passing of her husband Dean. Please keep their family in your prayers.

THANK YOU

Thank you to my church family for all the prayers and cards on behalf of Connie in the last 14 months. God bless you all!

Rika VanDenTop

NEW T-SHIRTS

Grab a new Community t-shirt or one designed specifically for Clyde’s new sermon series “Jesus The Boat Rocker”. They will be for sale in the lobby for the next few Sundays. Adult sizes $10; kid sizes $5. Cash or check only please.

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Sept 19, 2018

INFO YOU MAY NEED TO KNOW...

FALL SCHEDULE

SUNDAY SCHOOL STARTS
SEPT 16

MIDWEEK STARTS
OCT 3

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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