It's Monday morning and I'm getting ready to head back to Burke in a few minutes. Now, what I heard is that the wind is supposed to blow nearly 40 miles an hour once again today. Is there a theme I see here? I'm trying to figure out what all this wind means. Maybe it's just the Spirit of God moving around. Lord knows we can use plenty of that! I am hoping for some nice weather though, for at least a couple of days. I need to just sit out in the air for a bit. That is always good for me.

I spoke in church this past Sunday about the street and how all of this has come together for us to pay that bill. What a great testament to the power of God in rough places and also the amazing generosity of you fine folks out there. What a blessing you have all been! Having said that, I also want to remind you that in this same year we paid of the first mortgage as well. We never got to celebrate that because of all this COVID stuff. There are lots of things to be thankful for. Our online presence has been going great as well. We get so much good feedback, not only from our church family in Sioux Falls, but now even more from this new family of church that is growing outside the city. It's pretty amazing! Those videos, online classes, and Sunday school viewings are going to be in the thousands before this is all over. It is really something to watch. So, thank you everyone! It is teaching us a lot of new things and about how we might want to consider so much more of this going forward. It works! I know, it is not the same as coming together with all your friends. It can't replace that. I am very glad it cannot. I think you can see my logic in that. We will continue to do what we can. In the meantime, stay safe, be smart, be nice and keep Jesus on the throne!!!!

Becky's book! It is out. We are selling right here at church. You can pick them up on Amazon as well. If you Google my name or the name of the book, “The Story of One Word” you will see it there. I don’t like selling things at church, but for this one I just pushed forward. For Becky, this was her church home. She has lots of friends here! You all went through this with us. I just didn't worry about any of that “selling” stuff. They are here. It is a good read, folks. There are lots of stories and lots of reflections. I think it is a good read for you all as you work through this crazy time. God does not fail us. When life doesn’t go the way you prayed…Jesus knows what to do!

We have a new drive! When you come to church this next week, I think it will all be done. I think the stop lights might be up and everything. I don’t think they will be operational right way, but you will begin to see how all of this is going to work once it is complete. It is really something how all of this has changed in the past year. What an opportunity is being literally placed on our doorstep. Are we ready? Do we know what message we want to share? Have we thought about the many lives of people we want to impact? Do we know how to get that done? How to get them here? So many questions!! It is so exciting!

Sunday, we finish the series. Wow, can you believe that? We have two left and we will combine the two stories. You will find it to be just the right way to end- the last ones. Their lives, their stories, and their connection to Jesus. It will propel us into Advent. That’s right, Christmas is coming. We’ll talk more on Sunday, have a great week!
THE GIVE
Check out THE GIVE wall in the lobby. It’s a place to donate to local ministries.
Sleep in Heavenly Peace: sheets, pillowcases, comforters (twin size)
Community Youth- old cell phones or ink cartridges (the size that fits in your hand)
Lexi's Christmas Closet- gifts for children in the hospital this holiday season. Some ideas include:
- Lego sets
- Playdoh packs
- Trains, Tractors, Matchbox cars
- Crayola Coloring Sets
- Board books
- Stacking Toys
- Adult coloring books
- Sports water bottles
- Card Games
- Gift cards

We're looking for 100 Subscribers on the Community YouTube page so we can have our own URL! Please subscribe today!
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCimEfjAVmG9_ljFXbwxxwhBA

CALENDAR OF EVENTS
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22ND:
8:00am- Service in the chapel
9, 11am- In-Person and Online services
11:00am- Mask Only service
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24:
7:00pm- AA Meeting
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 25:
7:00pm- Thanksgiving Eve Service (ONLINE ONLY)

UPCOMING MINISTRIES
BAPTISM DATE
There will be a baptism service coming up but that date is to be determined. If that is too long to wait, please contact the church office to determine a date for a private service for you and your family.

AA BIG BOOK MEETING
Every Tues. at 7pm at Community- Open meeting. Use east door. AA meeting via Zoom or in person at the church on Saturday mornings at 10am. Please contact Tom Jacobs (tjstonegate@gmail.com) for meeting access.

MISSION OF THE MONTH- NOVEMBER
Angel Tree

BOOK CLUB
The morning book club will meet Wednesday, Dec. 16, at 9 am at the church. We will be discussing *Airborne* by Mills.
The evening book club will meet Tuesday, Dec. 15, at 7 pm at the church. We will be discussing *The Book of Lost Friends* by Wingate.
How can it be the middle of November already?!? I cannot comprehend how quickly the time is going by and yet everything continues to spin in a discombobulated state! How can things be at a standstill yet also moving at breakneck speed? There’s probably a great spiritual lesson in there somewhere…😀

This week, I want to talk a bit about a short series of workshops I am planning to host once it’s safe to gather for in-person learning. You may have recently heard or read about the enneagram. The enneagram is an ancient tool that spiritual leaders have been using to help people recognize how God is moving and changing them to become the people He initially created them to be. The enneagram has been gaining popularity in secular circles as well, which means that it’s often used poorly or without a full understanding of its design. What I hope to do with my series is to address misconceptions about the enneagram, to help people understand how to use it in the most accurate way, and also to help people to know where they land on the enneagram chart. I’m thinking that I’ll do a 4-week series with sessions being 60-90 minutes. As I said, these are workshops I really want to host in person, so I’m waiting to host them until it’s safe to do so. That being said, I encourage you to consider attending when you see it offered. It’s pretty cool!

I’ve heard from several people about how much they miss singing in church choir this year. I agree! It’s been strange to not be gathering on Sundays for our practices. I am praying that 2021 will bring us together to prepare some Easter music. Hang in there, friends. It can’t last forever!

I think that’s it for me this week. Stay well, everyone!

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MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL
DOYLES'S UPDATE

YOUTH GROUP MEETINGS FOR THE REST OF THE SEMESTER

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If you do not have the Zoom ID or Passcode for your student, you can email me and I will send it to you.

FROM YOUR LIBRARY:

There are always new items to check out at your church library including the new Kingsbury book Truly, Madly, Deeply. Stock up on books and movies as the weather gets chillier and as the kids have days off from school coming up. Help yourself anytime that the church is open.

For middle school and up, check out the new fantasy-adventure Wingfeather Saga. Also coming soon is The Bark of the Bog Owl which is loosely framed around the David and Goliath story. For younger readers of chapter books, don’t miss the Imagination Station series or the Dead Sea Squirrels.

The Christy Awards (for Christian Fiction) were announced this week. The book of the year is Whose Waves These Are by Amanda Dykes, one of our favorite books (and read by both book clubs this year). We have many of the finalists and winners. Watch for an upcoming display.

There’s always something new in the library. Check it out! Your librarians,

Trudi, Lois, Lorena, and Merry

NEW ADDRESS UPDATE

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PRAYER REQUESTS

NEW THIS WEEK

- Jenny Van Roekel (pneumonia)
- Jan Kreun’s dad (surgery recovery)

ONGOING PRAYER REQUESTS

- Jerry Hall
- Abbie Van Meeteren (surgery recovery)
- Abby Brost (breast cancer)
- Connie Tiggelaar (hospice)
- Jenny Van Roekel
- Joyce Tarrell
- Kara Schouten (severe infection)
- Marv Sturing (cancer)
- Clayton Bierwagen (heart)
- Tracee Ellwein’s dad (skin & muscle graft)
- Darla Anderson’s daughter, Emma
- Kim Becker’s mother-in-law, Amy (colorectal cancer)
- Joe Johnson (severe headaches)
- Justin Hinks’ nephew, Xavier Nygard (car accident)
- Holli Jans’ dad, Milt (cancer hormone therapy)
- Jodie Jensen (cancer)
- Matt Marcus’ dad (prostate cancer)
- Ellen Nelson (chronic airway disease)
- Lexi Valentine (auto-immune disease)
- Jessica Vander Weide (heart)
- Lindsey Vander Weide (heart)
- Jenna Hoogendoorn (liver)
- Tami Boyle’s dad (prostate cancer)
- Laura Maloney’s brother-in-law, Bruce (lymphoma)
- Gary Jensen (cancer)
- Wadie Persson’s mom (cancer)
- Tami Harm’s cousin (colon cancer)
- Melanie Oden’s dad, David
- Audrey Landegent’s son, David (cancer)
- Dree & Hawk Mayer’s sister-in-law, Beth (stroke)
The big news this week is that we are off and running on our 2020 Christmas Program. Yay!

To join the fun on this project, kids don’t have to be a member of Community or even live in Sioux Falls so spread the word. We need toddlers, preschoolers, school age kids all to play short roles, say lines or just join the fun with their adorable smiles. We need babies to play our little Jesus. It is all online so families can do it when it works for them!

Here’s how it works:
1.) Click on this link to sign up! https://forms.gle/afN9JNhjXo3TCic18

2.) After everyone gets signed up, Heather will email the instructions to each participant. If your child wants lines, I’ll send the words at that time.

3.) After you get the email, you’ll create a video that is a few seconds long (no costumes needed this year!) Short and simple is the best! We want to keep it easy for all of you.

4.) Videos will be due on December 12, but all of that information will be in the email I send you. Email your child’s video to me or put it in my file Dropbox and you are done! Then you can sit back and wait until the movie premier happens online.

Our November 15 Sunday School lesson is a fun one with a read aloud of the book, Far Flutterby by Karen Kingsbury. We’re reading about Zacchaeus too! We are a new creation in Jesus. That is pretty amazing. The Far Flutterby book is one that we found in the church library so if your child is a fan, you can bring it home too!

You can always find current, past and even future lessons and the link for the Christmas Program at https://www.communityrc.org/kids2020/

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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.)
Next Baptism Service: TBD

NEED GROCERIES? OR GAS?
Gift cards for HyVee, Fareway & Sunshine can be purchased every Sunday morning at the coffee bar. 5% of that purchase will go toward our Vision Fund at church.

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