The Reformed Church of Steen

Sunday, July 28, 2024



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**The Consistory**

Elders: Deacons: Lowell Bonnema Justin Esselink

Marlin Elbers Randy Fick

Kraig Scholten Dylan Bosch

Norm Sjaarda Chad Rauk

Brad Bosch Chris Harnack

Larry Bosch Tyler DenHerder

Pastor Jeremy Wiersema (712)324-1345

**Morning Service 9:30 a.m.**

2nd Grade

Ethan Meinerts

Jack Kruger

Shay Harvey

Talya Shanahan

Micah Bush

Gavin Leuthold

Earl Moser

Callum Bartels

Ally Birger

Jamin Metzger

Gavin Voss

Sean Harvey

Isaac Griffith

Abby Olson

Rachel Graves

Isabel Wysong

Landen Broesder

3rd Grade

Bailey Spykerboer

Blake Leenderts

Amber Wiersema

Jaci Stubbe

Beau Bakken

Kadence Rozeboom

Abby Baker

Sawyer Bosch

Emma Deelstra

4th Grade

Damion Meinerts

Taylor Spykerboer

Cooper Gehrke

Paige Moser

Mackenzie Griffith

Brynn Rauk

Madilyn VanderBrink

Taryn Birger

Ty Leuthold

Madison Gaugler

Layla Deelstra

Prelude

Welcome

\*Call to Worship ~ Proverbs 27:17

\*Mutual Greetings

\*Opening Songs ~ Hymn #1 “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

 Vs 1 and 3

 Hymn #281 “The Bond of Love”

Congregational Prayer/Prayer Concerns

Children’s Message ~ Eric Kiers

Scripture ~ Ephesians 3:14-21 pg 1820

Message ~ “Rooted and Established in Love”

Announcements

Offertory Prayer/Offering

Offertory Song ~ Hymn #211

 “O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus”

\*Parting Words/Benediction

\*Closing Song ~ Hymn #505 “Love Lifted Me”

 vs 2 and refrain only

\*Please stand if you are able

 **Evening Service at 6 p.m.**

Prelude

Opening Songs ~ Hymn #228 “Rejoice, the Lord is King”

 Hymn #83 “Lord, We Praise You”

\*Invocation

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture ~ Acts 2:14a; 22-32 pg 1692

Message ~ “Who Is He”

Prayer of Blessing

Hymn ~ Hymn #76 “O For a Thousand Tongues” vs 1-4

\*Benediction

\*Closing ~ Hymn #76 “O For a Thousand Tongues” vs 5

\*Please stand if you are able.

 **Bible Verse of the Month:**

**As iron sharpens iron,**

**so one man sharpens another.**

**Proverbs 27:17**

**The Lord’s Prayer**

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy Name.

Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth,

as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread,

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil;

For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

**The Apostles’ Creed**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,

maker of heaven and earth,

I believe in Jesus Christ His only son, our Lord;

He was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried.

He descended into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church,

the communion of the saints, the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

 ***Activities for the Week***

***Thursday:*** Women’s Bible Study at 1:30 p.m.

 Lesson 3: Sue Bartels

 Hostess: Melba Boeve



Please pray for those going to Inspiration Hills this week: Hadley Bonestroo, Madalyn Bonestroo, Cora Huyser, Claire Kruger and Addison Westrum.



If anyone needs a ride or would like a ride to church, please call the church office by Thursday of that week.

***Announcements***

Beaver Days will be held August 2-4. On Sunday, August 4th, there will be a Community Worship Service at 9:30 a.m. at the ball field in Beaver Creek. Guest speaker will be Andrew Blank.

Next week’s bulletin can be found on the church’s website.

The **Church Carnival** will be held on August 7th. There are sign up sheets on Information Desk to help with various activities and to donate items.

There will be a special offering taken for **The Banquet** during the morning service on August 11th.

We will be serving at the **Banquet Downtown Sioux Falls** on Wednesday, August 14th. You need to be 12 years old or older to serve as a volunteer. We need 6 volunteers for meal prep from 2-5 p.m. and 30 volunteers to serve from 5:15-8:00 p.m. Dress appropriately and no open toe shoes allowed. Deadline to sign up is Sunday, August 11th. If you have any questions, contact Dolly Van Der Weerd at 712-490-7094.

Check out the church directory on the Information Desk. If there are any changes or additions, please write them down on the separate paper provided.

**Mission of the Month: Tuff Country Store**. The residents like room air fresheners, shampoo, body wash, toothpaste, little cans of pop, snack food items (we have a request for plain potato chips, and gummy orange slices are popular too) body sprays, colored pencils, room décor, nail polish, makeup (blush, light foundation, powder) and anything else you might think of. You can put them in the container in the fellowship hall labeled “Tuff Home”

***Upcoming Events***

*Be careful, hold firmly to your faith, have courage and be strong,*

1 Corinthians 16:13 ERV. **Join us September 9 for dinner** and **September 10 for a Bible League conference** at Bethel CRC in Sioux Center as we worship with artist Jennifer Frens. Craig and Molly Sanborn are the keynote speakers, focusing on GRIT, GRIP and the GOSPEL! Molly, AKA the Cheeseball-Chick, uniquely shares the Gospel and has been on several TV shows. Craig serves as a youth pastor and is a director supporting churches through Converge North Central. Santosh Chandran, who leads Bible League in the Asia-Pacific region, will share about area context: powerful impact, dire need, intimidating persecution, receptive hearts. God is working and lives are being transformed. An offering will be taken for Bibles for the nations. Ticket fees cover expenses: Dinner $25; early bird conference tickets $40 until August 15. Tickets available until September 3. bibleleague.org/tickets/

**Lyon County Food Shelf needs:** "child friendly" items such as soup, crackers, canned fruit, fruit cups, and juice pouches.

**A Note From the Librarian:** The library is full of great reading! This month’s featured book is “Talking with God” by Adam Weber. There are still plenty of free books for the taking so help yourself!

***Opportunities to Serve the Body of Christ***

 **This Week Week of August 11**

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| Organist | Kendra Paulsen | Glenda Sandstede |
| Ushers | Dustin BonnemaBud DeBoerGawaine Diekevers | Ned WeitgenantClint RoozenboomArlyn Tilstra |
| Nursery | Michelle VanWyheEJ WegenerKelsey Baker | Amanda RozeboomMadalyn BonestrooAmber Wiersema |
| Greeters | Jake & Kathy HoogendoornAl & Kelli Hoogers | Tom & Kathy KellerEric & Lisa Kiers |
| Children’s Message | Eric Kiers | Hallie Crosby |
| Camera | Sawyer Bosch | Logan Bosch |
| PowerPoint | Chase Bosch | Vonnie Baker |
| Sound | Tim Bosch | Missy Bosch |
| Bus Driver |  |  |
| Coffee  |  |  |
| Ministry of Music | Stan & Amanda Metzger | Dennis & Holly Mulder |

Sermon Notes

The Ephesians 3 prayer for the church and

 and its three specific petitions:

1. For God’s people, the church,

to be strengthened through the Spirit.

1. For the church to be rooted and established in love.
2. For us to grasp the love of Christ.

The power that is at work in us.

 Is often underappreciated and overlooked.

Two requirements that are necessary to live a life of love:

1. Surrender
2. Desire

 

* Those that are homebound and in nursing homes: Anna Mae Berghorst, John Bosch, Anna Schouwenburg, Dora Steffen, Gert Steinberg, and Lucy VanWyhe.
* Those in our church and community who are dealing with cancer: Doug Boeve, Erwin Bonestroo, Shirley Hoogeveen, Shane McMath, Rick Tatge, Randy VanMaanen, Sheila Vis, Joel Westra, and Ken Wintersteen.
* Shirley Hoogeveen is in hospice care at home.
* Rich VanderBrink as he is recovering from his accident.
* Anna Mae Berghorst is hospitalized with pneumonia.
* The vacant churches of the Alliance of Reformed Churches.

If you need to get in contact with the church secretary, Tammy Bos, you can do so by email, steenreformed@alliancecom.net, by calling the church during her posted office hours, or by calling/texting her at 605-951-8254. Thank you!

This week’s office hours ~ Monday: 9:00-12:00

 Tuesday 9:00-12:00

 Wednesday 9:00-11:00

 Friday 9:00-12:00

One beautiful Sunday morning, the pastor announced to his congregation: “My good people, I have here in my hands three sermons… a $100 sermon that lasts five minutes, a $50 sermon that lasts fifteen minutes, and a $10 sermon that lasts a full hour. Now, we’ll take the collection and see which one you have chosen.”

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**Consistory Meeting**

**July 22, 2024 at 8:10 p.m.**

Members present were Lowell Bonnema, Norm Sjaarda, Kraig Scholten, Brad Bosch, Larry Bosch, Marlin Elbers, Randy Fick, Justin Esselink, Tyler DenHerder, Dylan Bosch, Chad Rauk and Pastor Jeremy. A quorum was present.

Norm Sjaarda led opening devotions from John 13:1-17 and a devotional called “Foot Washing” and opened the meeting with prayer. The minutes from the June 17, 2024 regular meeting were read for information.

**Youth Ministry Report:**  No report. No Mission Committee report.

**Elder’s Meeting Report:** Discussed membership trends and small groups. M/S/C to approve weddings of Kenadie Fick and Eli Fest; and Chase Bosch and Jacey VandenHoek.

**Property:** Landscaping is done. Glenda Bonnema rented multi- purpose room on July 4. Bosch/VandenHoek wedding June 6-7, 2025 and Fick/Fest wedding June 20-21, 2025. Discussed non-member price for cemetery plots.

**Old Business:** Search committee report, Camryn McCullers will be invited for an interview mid August. Daniel Shafer was here June 28.

**New Business:** Discussed updates from the Alliance of Reformed Churches. Pastor review was favorable.

**Financial Reports:** General Fund: $45,932.13; Benevolent Fund: $21,855.39; Building Fund: $7,291.24. Building Fund loan is at $22,000.00. M/S/C to approve financial reports.

The minutes of tonight’s meeting were read. M/S/C to approve minutes as read. M/S/C to adjourn. Prior to adjournment, Larry Bosch closed with prayer. The next consistory meeting will be

August 19, 2024.