

This Week:

Sunshine Corner items due Wednesday!

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Next Sunday: August 29th

9:30 am – Raymond Community Worship at the Community Center/Fire Hall

Offerings: AM – Raymond Ambulance

8/29 Cookies: No cookies due to the community worship service.

Following Sunday: September 5th

9:30 am – Morning Worship Service

Offering: General Fund

Ministry Servers: September 5th

AM Accompanist: Aimee TeBrake

Power point: Natasha Erickson

Sound: Doug Zimmer

AM Video: Tyler Wubben

Nursery: Anna Post, Seth Groen, Caleb Asche

Library: Tammy Slagter & Becky Zimmer

Ushers: Craig Blom & Clark Feikema

***Door Greeters:** Tim & Joan Stutelberg (E)
Chad & Lora Taatjes (W)

WE WORSHIP AND PRAISE OUR GOD

Welcome to our Worship Service at Raymond Christian Reformed Church. *Please be mindful to those who are preparing their hearts for worship as you enter the sanctuary.*

Anyone desiring spiritual counseling or experiencing a family crisis, contact the Pastor or a visiting Elder (Greg B and Scott W.) at any time.

Offerings: AM – General & Benevolence for Brad Kneisl Family

Ministry Servers: August 22nd

AM Accompanist: Kendra Ahrenholz

Power point: Derrick Beerman

Sound: Josh Bestge

AM Video: Morgan Taatjes

Nursery: Mary Erickson, Isaac Asche, Braxton Zimmer

Library: Marge Groen & Mavis Zimmer

Ushers: Joel TeBrake & Adam Olson

***Door Greeters:** Merl & Char Sietsema (E)
Clyde & Tammy Slagter (W)

WE CARE ABOUT OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Prayers & Praises

- Continuing health concerns & recovery: *Deb Kneisl, Emma Bonnema, Brad Kneisl, Austin Roelofs, Karen Nieuwbeerta, Arie Tensen, Lydia Hoogeveen, Lexi Wubben, Craig Zondervan, Mack Carlson, Steve Boonstra, Lyla Thielen, Reynold Roelofs, Geneva Grussing, Sharon Blom, and George Parker.*
- Prayer for our shut-ins, as well as others not mentioned in our church family who struggle with physical, mental, or spiritual needs.

Raymond CRC Family Prayer List

Lonna Bonnema
Mike & Jolene Bonnema
Randy & Barb Bonnema

Please join us during the fellowship time, after worship this morning, in expressing our thanks to Lora Taatjes for her service to our congregation. She served as the Administrative Assistant for five years. The church council will be serving cake and refreshments.

Lora will be in the office on Thursdays through the month of August. Please be sure all Bulletin news items are in by Noon.

Thank you so much for all the kind words and cards. My leg and hip are healing, and I can walk with the walker. Please know all the cards and visits are much appreciated. Love in Jesus, Emma Bonnema

Raymond Christian Reformed Church is seeking to hire an Administrative Assistant. The position would be 20-25 hours a week; work hours would be approximately 8:30 am to 1:30 pm, Tuesday through Friday. We would like to have someone in this position as soon as possible. Please request a job description/pay rate info if you have an interest in this position. You may contact one of the following Executive Committee members (or any other church council member): Greg Bonnema – 320-212-1376; Mike Groen – 320.905.6044; Terry Ahrenholz – 320.894.8308; Pastor Aaron Greydanus – 616.481.6019.

First CRC of Prinsburg invites you to the Installation Service for our new pastor, Greg Timmer on Sun., August 22nd at 6 pm. We plan to celebrate this blessed occasion through prayer, worship and with God's Word. Your presence will make this event a memorable experience for Pastor Greg Timmer and our congregation. Please also join us after the service for a *Welcome Picnic* for Pastor Timmer and his family hosted by the members of First Church!

Planning for the future is hard when you're still paying for the past! Listen—there's a better way! Join our Financial Peace University class, and we'll learn how to beat debt and make a plan for the future together! Interested? Join us at Rock of Life CRC. Classes are included in the cost of subscription to Dave Ramsey. The subscription rate starts at \$59.99. There is a free two-week trial period when you register. Please register by Wed., Sept. 8th. Classes start Wed., Sept. 15th at 6:30 pm. For more information and to register go to fpu.com/1136525 or go rockoflifecrc.org and scan the QR Code.

Join Bible League Volunteers for their "Spreading the Fragrance of Life" conference on Sept. 20-21 at First Reformed Church in Sioux Center, IA. Guest Speaker and author, Kelli (Kredit) Botthardt, has a story that will encourage and inspire you. Tickets are available online at bibleleague.org/tickets or call 708-367-8546 during business hours through Tues., Sept. 6th. Need further information, contact Sandy W. at 212.0944.

Hope Pregnancy Center invites you to their Annual Celebration of Life Fundraising Banquet that will be held at the Willmar Conference Center on Mon., Sept. 13th. The keynote speakers, Dr. Tony Levatino and his wife, Ceil, will share their inspiring story of transformation. Doors open at 5:15 pm with Social Hour & Silent Auction starting at 5:30 pm. Dinner, Live Auction & Program will begin at 6:30 pm. No tickets required but an RSVP is necessary! To reserve YOUR place at a table, call 320-235-7619 or register online at findhopepc.com/donors & follow the prompts.

First CRC Prayer Requests:

- Praise and thanksgiving to God for supplying a pastor after a time of pastoral vacancy.
- Praise and thanksgiving to God for the men who graciously served in the pulpit during our time of vacancy.
- Praise and thanksgiving to God for protection in times of disease and for the ability to gather regularly for worship once again.
- Praise and thanksgiving to God for all who serve in various capacities in the church, both seen and unseen.
- Praise and thanksgiving for the ministry of Pastor Nelson in visitation, encouragement, and devotional thought.
- Prayer for Pastor Greg and his family as they settle into First CRC and the Prinsburg community.
- Prayer for Pastor Nelson, including continued vigor and sustained recovery from the impacts of Covid.
- Prayer for spiritual vitality, a spirit of service, and a complete understanding of how the gospel compels us to go forth and live.
- Prayer for all those at First CRC who have lost loved ones over the past several years and still feel the sting of loss.
- Prayer for a proper understanding of how we are called to live constructively in this world without being polluted and stained by the world.

Bunde CRC Prayer Requests:

- ❖ **Thanks for Rain & Harvest** – Lord, Thank you for the much needed rain during this scorching summer and dry weather. We ask your timeliness continues through this last part before harvest. Lord, we request your safety and abundance as we proceed into harvest. May the world see you have set us apart as your people through the goodness of what we have given and received, large or small.
- ❖ **Thanks for our churches & ministry** – Jesus, we surrender ourselves in thanksgiving for all who you have called and will continue to bring into your church among all our local churches. Give us boldness of serving you, boldness for speaking the truth, and boldness to fight off and pray against complacency.

- ❖ **Request for health & healing** – Our Father, you are the Lord and giver of life. Be near those who are sick or disabled in any way. We specifically request of you on behalf of those dealing with Dementia/Alzheimer's, those struggling with anxiety, worry, or depression, and those who are the care givers for these our friends and family.
- ❖ **Request for our Nation** – Triune God, you are the ruler over all things. We request the movement of your Wisdom and Truth go forth to our local, state, and national leaders so they present themselves to you. Help them seek you for discernment in making laws and decisions so people will find freedom without compromising loving their neighbors as themselves.
- ❖ **Request for Pastor Greg Timmer's installation** – Father, we rejoice with 1st CRC in Prinsburg as they receive a Pastor to heed your calling in this area for this part of our body. Grant his family and him as they gain their way into the life of this church and community and he can find prayerful support and encouragement in the relationships of the other pastors and churches. We look forward to out time tonight for his installation.