

## Sunday Morning Worship Services

8:30 am & 11:00 am

9:30 am Fellowship/Coffee

## Church Office Hours

Monday 8:30 am—2:30 pm

Tuesday to Friday 8:30 am— 3:30 pm

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## Church Staff :

<b>Pastor</b>	Kevin Gingerich
<b>Children's Ministry</b>	Michelle Noack
<b>Youth Director</b>	Jacob Sandholm
<b>Worship</b>	Wil George
<b>Organists</b>	Pam Kobbe
<b>Secretary</b>	Rosa Koerselman
<b>Custodian</b>	Ron Noack

# FAITH COMMUNITY CHURCH

## *June 2023 News Letter*



**Our Vision:** "To open our hearts and doors to all people with love and acceptance; inviting them into a relationship with Christ, and each other; encouraging and empowering them as followers of Christ to love as He loved us; and sending them by the power of the Holy Spirit to live the word of God in our homes, community and world."

### **Our Mission:**

*"To Glorify God By Making Disciples For Jesus Christ"*

### **Pastor's Corner:**

It is official. The Iowa Annual Conference held a special session of Annual Conference on Tuesday May 23. They voted in favor of Sheldon United Methodist Church (along with 81 other congregations) to be released from their trust clauses as soon as they complete their financial and other disaffiliation obligations.

As Faith Community Church we continue to worship at 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. each week. Our mission and ministry vision statements have not changed. We still believe in the statements of faith contained in the Apostle's and Nicene Creeds. We continue to invite all persons into a relationship with Jesus, and to repent of sin (for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God) and allow Holy Spirit to change their lives from the inside out.

I have truly appreciated the leadership of Our Administrative Board during the past year. Together they have been working hard on the disaffiliation items. They have adopted by-laws (you may request a hard copy or a digital copy by asking Rosa), set up the new tax identification numbers and registered with the State of Iowa as "Faith Community Church of Sheldon". New signs will be installed soon. We continue to move ahead in ministry.

I pray you will continue to support the Faith Community Church with your prayers, your presence, your gifts, your service, and your witness. Together we will minister to the many needs of the greater Sheldon community. Thank you to the many helping hands for VBS and for Summer Lunch! You help the church be the church! Praise be to God!

Come! Celebrate! Worship!

Pastor Kevin Gingerich

True Life Worship 6:00 p.m. Sunday Evenings

We do not livestream this service. It is meant for deeper spiritual growth and understanding. Each week Jacob and I alternate who will bring the message. We worship, pray and learn together. All are invited!

## PRAYER REQUESTS

Otto Lawson, Derick Roos, Arlene Sterler, Karrine Dykstra, Bob Sterler, Gloria Morris, Sandy Johnson, Darvin Rusche, Dean Zoet

Jo Anne Fowler (mother of Steve Fowler)  
Stephanie Fowler (Daughter of Steve & Bernadette Fowler)  
Amy Trojahn-(friend of Sarah Updike)  
Donna Whitfield (Mother of Michelle Noack)

Please keep our service men and women in your prayers

**AIR FORCE:** Luke Kobbe, Steven Bylsma, Kevin Meinecke, Justin Wolthuizen

**ARMY:** Daniel Mulder, Jeremy Post, Jesse Meendering

**MARINES:**

**NATIONAL GUARD:** Mike Welch, Dr. Ryan Becker, Dr. Josephine Dunn Junuis, Jeffrey Heithus, Reese Van Meeteren

**NAVY:** Dave Sarnoski, Greg Weiman, Drew Lidster

Please keep our Missionaries in prayer

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AMSHA- Mary Muchiri

Nicole Sims- nsims@umcmmission.org

Please pray for and visit our members in the Nursing Homes & Assisted Living Facilities

**Fieldcrest Assisted Living:** Ray Rohlfs, Mollie Parry, Marilyn King, Jeanette Reekers, Thelma Van Nyhuis, Marie Pomerence, Julia Merley, Duane & Georgia Wahlstrom

**Christian Retirement Home:** Lucy Hoppe, Gerald Kroon, Myrna Seamands, Howard & Darlene Tiemens, Mildred Robinson, Clarence Meinecke, Nancy Burley, Janus Martin, Linda Heiliger

**Other Homes:** Jervis Sterler, Sherry Vander Pol, Bob & Arlene Sterler, John Van Olst Eleanor Poppema

## Areas of Service May

### Liturgist

28. Bill B  
June 4. Steve F  
11. Judy N  
18. Barb M  
25. Ashley H

### Song Leader:

28. Bill B  
June 4. Ardis G  
11. Ardis G  
18. Bill B  
25. Bill B

### 8:30 Am Acolyte:

28. Jack B  
June 4. Eli B  
11. Kyler/Kenzie McCuddin  
18. Benjamin/William F  
25. Jack B

### 8:30 AM Greeters:

28. Chris & Liz S  
June 4. Steve F  
11. Julie B  
18. Jerry & Bev K  
25. Chris & Liz S

### 11:00 AM Greeters:

28. Jason & Amanda N  
June 4. Henry & Carolyn D  
11. Peter & Karin VB  
18. George & Melissa D  
25. Dave & Michelle G

### Communion

June 4- Heath & Rosa K

### 11:00 AM Acolyte:

28. Hayes S/Mathias G  
June 4. Kendalyn S/Sierra G  
11. Wyatt G/Mathias G  
18. Aubrie K/Jadelyn S  
25. Carson L/Elijah N

### Coffee Bar Clean up:

28. Henry & Carolyn D  
June 4. Barb M  
11. Peter & Karin VB  
18. Melissa D  
25. Michelle G

We want to send out our condolences to;

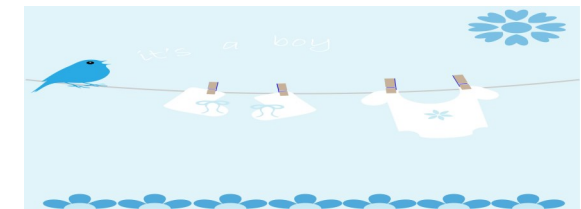
**Our the family and friends of Kay Ver Steeg.**

**Deb and Tony Haning on the loss of Deb's mom LaVonne J.**

**Blankers.**



Hope Haven's 28th annual Gospel Music Festival will be held at Central Park in Sioux Center on Friday and Saturday June 16th and 17th. The Festival will provide great continuous music from 12:30 to 9:00 PM on both days. Currently groups from 5 different states are in the line up to sing. The Gospel Music Festival is a benefit for Hope Haven and freewill offerings will be taken each day. A food truck will be available both days. In case of inclement weather the Music Festival will be held indoors at the Rec Center on the campus of Dordt University.



**Ivan Reed Peterson**

**Born: May 23 6 lbs 14 oz**

**Parents: Cody and Katie Peterson**

**Sister: Laney Jo**

**Grandparents: Randy & Pat Merrill and Bruce & Peg Peterson of Rolfe**

## Signage will Change — Spirit is the Same

Over the next few weeks you will notice a change in the signage around the church. We will be taking down the cross and flame signs that indicate United Methodist (as required by our disaffiliation agreement).

They will be replaced by our new logo, and Faith Community Church.

Our service times and other ministries will continue in the name of Jesus Christ.

As we approach the end of June, we will also need to replace hymnals. If you would like to take one home with you, you are welcomed to do that.

## Mary and Humphrey Muciiri will be having a book signing session.

When: Thursday June 29th.

Where: At Hospers Public Library.

What Time: From 10-12 noon.

Everyone is invited. We look forward to seeing many of you there!

## IMPACT

The summer has officially kicked off here at Impact, and we couldn't be any more excited! In the month of May, we were able to meet each Wednesday night, including the very last one on May 24. In May, our youth series was all about living in a community of faith, and what that looks like. Now that the Summer is here, we were already able to have a Jr. High Lock-In where sixteen youth came and stayed up all night! It was a lot of fun and is something that we will have to consider having annually. On top of that, we are looking forward to having Sunday night Impact in the Summer months. We will NOT be having Impact on June 11, due to Vacation Bible School, but there will be youth group on the other Sundays in June. One important thing to note about June, is that our fundraising campaigns kick-off for the Wyoming Retreat! The youth that are going, will be raising \$100 or more to go on this trip. The fundraising opportunities are, "The Adopt a Mile" & "Helping Hands for Wyoming" campaigns. Both campaigns will be running until July 1. Other than that, we are excited to see how the Spirit works in the youths' lives this month. As always, thank you for your prayers for the Impact Youth Group.



1. Marla Roos	15. Linda Mouw
2. Elijah Noack Daryl Mouw	17. Elle Becker Keegan Adkins
3. Jill Schmit	18. Sam Maassen
4. Mathew Ennema Shane Pomerene Michelle Noack	20. Samantha Noteboom Jessica Brink
5. Pam Kobbe	21. Kristin Noack Danielle Fischer
6. John Nieuwenhuis Parker Lloyd Sarah Sandholm	22. John Becker
7. Ray Rohlf's Steven Bylsma	24. Tyler Lloyd
8. Laurie Pruiksma Chris Jansma	25. Dirk Brink
11. Arlan Boone Shane Brower	26. Jan Fertig
12. Dane Klein Kyler CcCuddin Jeanette Reekers Brittany Maassen	27. David Erkes
13. Paisley Ennema	28. Diann Merley Michael Welch Liz Subart Madison VanMeeteren Tye Maassen
14. Maria Schwartz	29. Jason Van Meetern Aubree Wenthe



## Tabs for DAX

Dax will be attending the Maine Anjou/Chi Junior Nationals this year in Grand Island, NE. As a service project, they are having a state's competition and collecting tabs from any can that has a tab to donate to the Ronald McDonald house. If you would save your tabs we would gladly take them off your hands. We would like them by June 15. Thanks for your help!

## Please Update Your Will

As we approach a new era in the Sheldon community, we want you to be aware of the name change for the current congregation. If you have included the "Sheldon United Methodist Church" in you will, please take time to update the will to "Faith Community Church of Sheldon" if you wish the money/property to be transferred to the current congregation. If you desire it to go to another United Methodist Church you will want to change the name. As of July 1 there will not be a "Sheldon United Methodist Church".

Thank you.

## True Life Worship!

"A time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in Spirit and in truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in the Spirit and in truth." (John 4:23-24 NIV)

We welcome one and all to gather on Sunday evenings to worship and pray! Jacob and I will bring an inspired message, and we will sing and pray together. We believe the time is now to gather and to worship freely. We want to go deeper in the Spirit.

Dress is casual. Our faith is not casual!

Come and join us on Sunday evenings!

Pastor Kevin

## Summer Lunch:

We are excited to be back at it. Making meals for the community is such a joy, and the kitchen is my happy place. We are always in need of helpers, so if it is possible to commit to one day a week that would be great. If you are unable to do that and can fill in elsewhere. I need those people too. We serve Monday through Friday 11 am- 12:30 pm. We do start a little ahead of that time to prepare the food at 9:30 am, and clean up is normally done no later than 1:15 pm. Please reach out to Michelle if you can help serve any days or times.

**Any electronic giving going forward will be going to Faith Community Church.**

## Lost & Found

**Please check the box under the coat rack in the friendship center for any items you may be missing. There are several water bottles, sweaters, and a few dolls in the box that are looking to go back home with their owners.**

A vibrant, space-themed graphic for "Stellar" VBS 2023. The background is a dark blue starry night sky with a silhouette of a mountain range at the bottom. On the left, an astronaut in a white suit stands on a rocky surface. The sky is filled with various celestial bodies: a large yellow sun, a crescent moon, a blue and white planet, a red planet, a yellow planet with a ring, and several colorful planets with stripes and swirls. A yellow comet streaks across the top right. In the bottom right corner, there is a small purple icon of a tractor. The text "Stellar" VBS 2023 is written in large, bold, yellow letters. To the right of the main title, the dates "June 11th-15th" are written in yellow, followed by "Supper 5:15-5:45 PM" and "VBS 5:45-8:00 PM" in yellow text.

**"Stellar" VBS 2023**

**June 11th-15th**

**Supper 5:15-5:45 PM**

**VBS 5:45-8:00 PM**

There is still time to register as a participant or a volunteer either scan the QR code or go the website below to get registered.

<https://vbspro.events/p/03b1f2>







# Fathers Day BAKE SALE

JUNE 18TH

8:00 AM-12:30PM

FRESHLY BAKED  
GOODIES OF ALL DIFFERENT KINDS  
IN THE FRIENDSHIP CENTER

**Thursday Night Group Study will resume on June 1st at 7 pm at Otto and Robin's home. (821 22<sup>nd</sup> Ave.)**

We will be studying a 5 week DVD study by Max Lucado - *Help Is Here* – Finding Fresh Strength and Purpose in the Power of the Holy Spirit.

When you feel powerless . . . help is here

Bills pile up. Savings go down. Marriages go south. Work goes off the rails. Stress goes off the charts. It's all too much to take on by yourself. Fortunately, you don't have to take it all on yourself. In fact, God never intended for you to do so. He has provided heaven-sent help to walk with you, guide you, and shoulder the load. Someone who never gets tired. Someone who is strong and powerful. Someone who is unhindered by what hinders us. Someone who is always nearby. *Help Is Here* reminds us that our Good Shepherd doesn't just feed us; he leads us. He does more than correct us; he directs us. God keeps us on track—and best of all, he's commissioned the Holy Spirit to guide us down the winding roads of life, wherever they may lead us.

We look forward to studying God's word together. Come join us. If you have questions or need directions call 324-4130

**Kaden's Closet food pantry is in need of some specific items to be donated: Cold cereals, pancake mix, hamburger helper, chicken helper, tuna helper, and can fruit. A bucket to place donated items in will be in the friendship center. Thank you.**

## **Your Financial Support Makes A Difference!**

As we near the time of our disaffiliation, you need to know that your financial support of the church makes a difference. In June we will be sending our payment of \$77,725.00 to the conference treasurer for our apportioned fees, and \$89,865 to the Board of Pensions for our unfunded pension liability. The total of these two payments is \$167,590.00. These will be our last payments to the Iowa Conference of the United Methodist Church. They are necessary per our signed agreement to disaffiliate from the United Methodist Church and have the "Trust" be placed in the Faith Community Church of Sheldon. Any extra giving you can offer toward this disaffiliation will be greatly appreciated!

## **Hand in Hand Camp**

Hand in Hand Camp registration is ready for our youngest campers at Ingham Lake Bible Camp. If you have a child who is 4, 5, or 6 years old, you are invited to come to camp along with your child for a day of camp activities on June 23<sup>rd</sup>. We will meet at the church, travel together, and enjoy our time at camp together, too. It's a safe and comforting way to introduce our youngest campers to church camp and a great opportunity for one-on-one time with your child. If a parent cannot attend, a grandparent, aunt, uncle or another adult is welcome! Registration forms are in your mailboxes or on the Friendship Center. Please register and return the form to the church office by June 2.

# JUNE 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 9:30 AM Rhoda Circle 11:00-12:30 PM Summer Lunch 6:00 PM Love INC. 7:00 PM Lawson Bible Study	2 11:00-12:30 PM Summer Lunch 7:00 PM IMPACT JR High Lock in starts	3 7:00 AM IMPACT JR High Lock in ends
4 Communion 8:30 AM Traditional 9:30 AM Fellowship 11:00 AM Modern 12:15 VBS training/ decorating 6:00 PM True Life	5 11:00-12:30 PM Summer Lunch	6 11:00-12:30 PM Summer Lunch	7 9:00 AM Bible Study 11:00-12:30 PM Summer Lunch 5:30 Education	8 11:00-12:30 PM Summer Lunch 7:00 PM Lawson Bible Study	9 11:00-12:30 PM Summer Lunch	10 9:00 AM Rhoda Circle Kitchen
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