

Sunday Morning Worship Services

8:30 AM Traditional & 11:00 AM Modern

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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Faith Community Church

November Newsletter



Our Vision: “To make disciples of all people, baptizing in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit; inviting all to repent and receive forgiveness of sin through the blood of Jesus; and teaching people to obey all God commanded through the Holy Scriptures.”

Our Mission: “To love God and serve others.”

Pastor's Corner:

As I think of November and Thanksgiving, the song Give Thanks streams through my brain, “Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One, give thanks because He’s given Jesus Christ His Son.” And another hymn running through my head is “Count your blessings name them one by one, count your blessings see what God has done...”

We have so many blessings as Christians. We know the Prince of Peace, and so we have peace even when the world around us is anything but peaceful. When Christians around the world face persecution, and even death, they have the calm assurance that they will be with Jesus forever, and this temporary world of suffering will give way to an eternity of no more pain or suffering, and living with our God and Father for ever! That is a reality that brings us hope. As Titus mentions in his letter, “¹³ while we wait for the blessed hope—the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ, ¹⁴ who gave himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to purify for himself a people that are his very own, eager to do what is good.” We have a blessed hope!

As fall turns to winter, and we have more time inside than outside, may we take time to reflect on what God has done in our lives. Count your blessings and name them. Write them down so you can be reminded of them. And always remember that as Christians we have and we worship the King of Kings, and the Lord of Lords. Allow Him into your heart. Approach God with a grateful heart.

Pastor Kevin Gingerich

November Scripture of the month: Jonah 2:9

But I, with shouts of grateful praise, will sacrifice to you. What I have vowed I will make good. I will say, ‘Salvation comes from the Lord.’”

THANK YOU!

Sue and I say thank you to all the children, Faith in Action, and others who showered us with appreciation during the month of October. It has been a true pleasure to serve as your pastor for the past 12 1/2 years! God bless each of you!
Pastor Kevin

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Derick Roos
- Gene Den Hartog
- Russ Duncanson
- Darwin Rusche
- Nancy Burley (and daughters)
- Stormy Morris Dage (Adam)
- Lucy Hoppe
- Kathleen Goedken (daughter of Lucy H)
- Nancy Burley
- Shirley Muecke
- Mary Ann Boom (mother of Blanca)
- Jo Anne Fowler (mother of Steve Fowler)
- Donna Whitfield (mother of Michelle Noack)
- Sue Radke (mother of Matt & Jody Radke)
- Tom Marcotte (brother-in-law of Pam Buysman)
- Ray Anderson
- Bill and Peggy Noack
- Shirley Muecke
- Chad Wassener

Jeremiah 17:14: "Heal me, Lord, and I will be healed; save me and I will be saved, for you are the one I praise."

Please pray for and visit our members in nursing homes & assisted living facilities

Fieldcrest Assisted Living: Ray Rohlf, Jeanette Reekers, Leona Sauer, Shirley Muecke,

Marlys Den Hartog

Christian Retirement Home: Gerald Kroon, Mildred Robinson, Janus Martin, Linda

Heiliger, Marilyn King

Other Homes: Jervis Sterler, John Van Olst, Eleanor Poppema, Oscar Benson, Nancy

Burley, Duane Wahlstrom, Lucy Hoppe

Our Service Men and Women

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

ARMY: Daniel Mulder, Jeremy Post, Jesse Meendering

MARINES:

NATIONAL GUARD: Dr. Ryan Becker, Dr. Josephine Dunn Junuis, Cael Noteboom

Jeffrey Heithus, Reese Van Meeteren

NAVY: Dave Sarnoski, Greg Weiman, Drew Lidster

Ways to Get Involved

Communion Set Up- Order the Farmers loaf with the 2 loaves in the one bag from Hyvee and make sure we have grape juice, or purchase that as well. Rosa will have the cups already in the trays. Fill them with juice and put the trays in the silver fridge. After second service dump out left over juice and wash dishes.

Coffee Bar Clean Up- Put any bars, cookies, or goodies away, dump remaining coffee, put left over juice in the fridge. Wash and dry dishes.

Usher Duties for First & Second Service— Hand out bulletins in Narthex, light the acolyte sticks, count attendance (don't forget nursery or balcony), pass the offering plates and the red sign in folders, bring offering forward during doxology, one usher should be stationed in the Narthex to greet late comers and to keep watch on the congregation in case there is a medical emergency, after first service take order of service inserts out of the bulletins and recycle them, bring offering to the office and put it in bank bag, place in it in the safe.

Faith in Action- The former UMW is now called Faith in Action. We meet on the second Monday each month, and our goal is to plan activities where members of Faith Community Church can actively participate or help financially. We are always looking for new ideas, and we are currently seeking men, women and teenagers who would like to be involved in planning the various fundraisers and potential programs and outreach ideas that we are involved in. Contact Ashley Hoogland or any member for more information.

Connections Ministry- The Connections Ministry focuses on planning events to connect us with each other in our church and in our community, whether it is bingo, a movie night in our church, or Dinner Together outside the church walls. We also look for outreach opportunities to connect us with those in our community like Trunk or Treat. Our team of volunteers is Susan Klein (Chair). We would love to have more volunteers so we can offer even more events

Youth Council— Meet the second Monday of the month to plan youth events during the year, different fundraisers, and support confirmation, JR, and SR High IMPACT. If you are interested in learning more about this committee, please contact Jon Eveland.

Children's Ministry (Education)- Meets the first Tuesday each month to decide Sunday school curriculum, the Christmas program, VBS, and any other special events that involve children's education. If you are interested in learning more about this committee, please contact Jon Eveland.

Worship— There are many other ways you can be active in the church: liturgist, song leader, praise team, decorating committee, communion stewards, greeters, ushers, coffee bar, acolyte (3rd grade +), playing piano/organ, sound, projection.

Ad Council- meets the third Monday and is an elected position. They make the decisions of the church. If you are interested in learning more about this committee, please contact a board member or Jari Brink (Chair).

Faith News

YOU ARE INVITED TO A

Retirement

PARTY

HONORING

Pastor Kevin

NOVEMBER

SUNDAY 23 AT 6:00 PM

2025

Faith Community Church

506 8th St. Sheldon, IA

Cards can be mailed to the church!



Youth

November 2025 Impact Schedule

5 – Breakthrough Anxiety: Philippians 4:6-7
12 – Breakthrough Surrender: Romans 12:1
19 – Friendsgiving Night
26 – Thanksgiving Break



Snack Schedule –

2 Dozen Cookies/Bars

5 – (Middle School – Parker Ball & Bo Hurlburt) & (Sr. High – Eli Fischer, Ben Frahm, Jaxson Ross)

12 – (Middle School – Maverick Dykstra & Wyatt Giese) & (Sr. High – Presley Simpson, Keegan Adkins, Jack Brink)

19 – (Middle School – Allyson Rodriguez & Sierra George) & (Sr. High – Micah Haverdink, Tyler Hurlburt, Carter Koerselman)

26 – Thanksgiving Break

Impact Youth Harvest Party Reflection

Our Impact Youth Harvest Party was a great night! Nearly 50 students came out for a night filled with great snacks, small group competitions, fellowship, and plenty of fun! It was awesome to see students and leaders connecting, laughing, and making memories together. A big thank you to the Beckers for hosting, and the leaders for helping make the night such a hit!

Mark your calendar

- Bake Sale/Cookie Walk- December 13 from 9-Noon (or when items are gone) in the Fellowship Hall.
- We will have our annual Children's Christmas Program on Sunday, December 14, at 6:00 PM.
- Cocoa and Caroling on Saturday, December 20, at 6:00 PM

Sr High Summer Trip–Rocky Mountain High–July 24-29, 2026–Estes Park, CO–

We are excited to be attending Rocky Mountain High next summer! RMH is a youth conference held every three years geared toward high school students currently in grades 9-12 and their adult leaders. It is organized by the Cultivate Co-Op. RMH's mission is to provide a large group encounter with the transformational truth and love of Jesus for students and leaders. More information will come regarding registration and cost as we get closer to the new year. Stay tuned! For more information about the speakers, theme, worship, and recreation visit www.rockymountainhighinfo.com/theme.

Youth Cont.

Middle School Retreat

Hidden Acres Christian Center, Dayton, IA—April 17-19, 2026

We will be attending the Middle School Retreat in April! We look forward to this transformational experience with Jesus. The MSR is a fun and impactful weekend for middle schoolers (6-8th graders) and their leaders. Cultivate Co-Op partners with Dordt and Northwestern students to plan a weekend filled with worship, large group sessions, youth group time, recreation, and games. More info to come regarding registration and cost.

Middle School Mission Trip

Tentatively June 2-7 – Immerse Ministry, Lincoln, NE

We will be taking our middle schoolers to work and partner alongside Immerse Ministry and F Street Church in Lincoln, NE. We will get to participate in homeless ministry and education, physical labor projects, church community opportunities, and learn more about the gifts God has given to us to use for His Kingdom. More information will come as we learn the outcome of fundraisers, which will impact cost, and get closer to when they would like us to register. Stay tuned!

Impact Insider

It's been an exciting month for Impact Youth! We've continued diving into our Breakthrough theme, learning how God breaks through barriers in our lives and draws us closer to Him. Both our Middle School and Sr. High groups have been averaging over 20 students each Wednesday – it's been amazing to see so many of the students growing in faith and in community each week! This month we had a great Small Group Night that gave students space to connect more deeply with their leader(s) and one another. The students also sold wreaths as a fundraiser for our summer mission trips and sold about 300 items. We also wrapped up October with a fun and memorable Harvest Party. We are thankful that God is doing some incredible things in the lives of our students. We are so grateful for our dedicated leaders who continue to show up, pour into our students, and love them well. The best is yet to come!

Missions

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AMSHA– Mary Muchiri

Nicole Sims– nsims@umcmmission.org

Olivier from Belgium Presentation

November 3rd at 6:30PM
followed by a meet and greet
in the Chapel



Operation Christmas Child 2025

We will be collecting boxes beginning now until
November 23.

Faith Community in Action

Join Archer Community Church for the 73rd Lord's Acre Day on Saturday, November 1.

10:00 AM: Dedication Service
11:00 AM -1:00 PM: Lunch (taverns, creamed chicken sandwiches, homemade baked beans, pie...). Free will donation.
11:00 AM -1:00 PM: Bake Sale
11:00 AM -12:45 PM: Silent Auction
11:00 AM -1:00 PM: Fish Pond
1:00 PM: Live Auction

MEN AND YOUNG MEN

A sniper's bullet, a soldier's survival, a life changed forever. Tommy faced death when a bullet ripped through his helmet in Afghanistan. Miraculously he was unharmed. Come hear Tommy share how this moment reshaped his purpose, his heart, and his faith in God at the Area Men's Event on Tuesday, November 11 at 7 pm at the Orange City High School gym. This event is sponsored by Mendistry.

Coats for Kids

Coats can be picked up November 13 from 4:30-6:00 PM at Living Water Community Church (610 2nd St Sheldon)

Pie

Immanuel Christian Reformed Church is offering their Apple Pies again this year. \$20.00 per pie and they are available for pick up at Sheldon Christian School Friday, November 14 from 5:00-10:00 PM and Saturday, November 15 from 8:00-11:00 AM

Children's Ministry

November 2025 Faith Kids Schedule

5 – Elijah & the Prophets of Baal (1 Kings 18:16-45)
12 – Daniel & the Lions Den (Daniel 6)
19 – Esther (Esther)
26 – Thanksgiving Break



Sunday School Christmas Program – The Promised King:

****Mark this on your calendars****

Our Children's Christmas Program (3&4 year olds-5th grade) is coming on Sunday, December 14 @ 6pm. Kids in the program, please arrive by 5:30pm in the gym. We can't wait to celebrate the birth of Jesus together! We will practice during the Sunday School hour on Sunday, December 7 & Sunday, December 14.

Faith Kids Harvest Party Reflection

The Faith Kids Harvest Party was a huge success! The kids had a blast enjoying games, crafts, horse wagon rides, petting farm animals, and fall fun together. Laughter and excitement filled the night as they traveled with their groups and explored each station. It was wonderful time of community! Thank you to our amazing helpers who it made it possible!

Faith Kids Corner

October was a great month in Faith Kids! Our focus was on wisdom, learning how to make good choices that honor God through our memory verse, Proverbs 16:16 – “How much better to get wisdom than gold, to get insight rather than silver!” Each week the kids engaged in fun lessons, activities, worship, and discussions that helped them see what it means to live wisely. We averaged over 30 kids each Wednesday, and wrapped up the month with a fantastic Harvest Party! A huge thank you to our wonderful helpers and parents for making it all possible! We are excited to see what God will do in the month ahead.

Administrative Board Highlights

November Annual Meeting

Ad Board

2026

Barb Merley (Secretary)
Laura Getting
Tony Haning
Dave Popkes
Rachael Becker (Youth Rep)

2027

Judy Nieuwenhuis
Fred Grein
John Oldenkamp
Scott Ross
Krista Honermann (Ed. Rep)

2028

Dominic Seivert
Tricia Meendering (Chair)
Mike Molettiere
Wil George
Ashley Hoogland (Faith In Action rep)

Children's Ministry Team

2026

Wil George
Brooke Oldenkamp

2027

Krista Honermann
Sally Boscaljon

2028

Rosa Koerselman
Yvonne Rodriguez

Youth Ministry Team

2026

Rachael Becker (Chair)
Austin Fischer

2027

Scott Ross
Kayla Ross

2028

Breann Getting
Mike Van Meeteren

Faith In Action

2026

Jill Koedam
Michelle Noack
Sarah Eveland

2027

Judy Nieuwenhuis
Danielle Fischer
Jade Simpson

2028

Rosa Koerselman
Michelle Simpson
Ashley Hoogland (Chair)

New Meeting Night

The Administrative Board has moved their meeting night to the third Monday of each month. Monday, November 17 we will meet in the Chapel at 6:30 p.m. We will be making many decisions about our way forward. A reminder that meetings are open to all members to listen and share. The elected board are able to vote.

Please keep us in your prayers. We may be reaching out to you to help in some capacity as we move ahead!

2025 Budget \$390,195.00

2026 Budget \$386,157.00

Areas of Service for November

8:30 AM Greeter:

2– Gerald K
9– Fred & Ardis G
16– Barb M & Julie B
23– Sherri M & Janus M
30– Steve F

8:30 AM Ushers:

2– Greg G
9– Jari & Dirk B, Greg G, Cory H
16– Jim & Judy N & Steve F
23– Jim & Judy N, Barb M
30- Stew C, Ashley H, Mike & Kyler Mc

8:30 AM Acolyte:

2– Benjamin F & Kellen A
9– Eli & Evi Becker
16– William F & Jaci H
23– Charlie & Hayden H
30– Kenie Mc & Kellen A

8:30 AM Sound:

2- Stew C
9- Mike Mc
16– Jesica B
23-Tony H
30- Tony H

8:30 AM Projection:

2- Niki C
9- Kyler Mc
16– Jack B
23- Deb H
30- Deb H

Communion:

November 2– Sue & Rosa

Liturgist:

2- Ardis G
9– Judy N
16– Matt R
23- Steve F
30-Ashley H

11:00 AM Ushers:

2– Heath K
9– Dave G, George D, Scott R
16- Dave G, George D, Fred H
23- Heath & Carter K, Peter & Karin VB
30- Dave G, George D, Scott R

Song Leader:

2- Ardis G
9- Ardis G
16- Bill B
23- Bill B
30- Bill B

11:00 AM Sound:

2– Bill B
9- Heath K
16- Bill B
23- Bill B
30-Bill B

11:00 AM Projection:

2– Sherri M
9- Carter K
16-- Sherri M
23- Sherri M
30-Sherri M

11:00 AM Greeter:

2- Jason & Amanda N
9– Henry & Carolyn D
16– George & Melissa D
23- Dave & Michelle G
30– Peter & Karin VB

11:00 AM Acolyte:

2- Huxley R & Ryan W
9- Dax N & Lydia O
16– Sierra G & Tallulah N
23– Ethana M & Elijah F
30– Jaxson R & Tyler S

Coffee Bar Clean up:

2- Henry & Carolyn D
9- Barb M & Yvonne R
16- Michelle G & Melissa D
23- Jim & Judy N
30- Peter & Karin VB

Organ:

2- Pam Kobbe
9- Janus Martin
16- Wil G
23- Pam Kobbe
30– Wil G

Faith Community Opportunities

Advent Helpers Wanted:

The season of Advent (the four Sundays before Christmas) begins November 30. This year's theme is "Facing the Unknown". **If you would like to participate in the lighting of the Advent candles this year**, please contact Rosa in the office to let her know.

Please fill out the "Where Can I Serve" forms and return them to the offering plate, the "mail basket" or on the office desk. Thank you to those that have already completed them.

FOOD HELP NEEDED

Love INC contacted the pastors this week (October 26) to inform us that the food assistance program (SNAP) will not be writing checks or sending money to assist families who are in need of food assistance during November due to the government shutdown. So we are collecting canned goods for our own Kaden's Free Food Closet and or for Love Inc.

Items most needed: Baked Beans, BBQ Sauce, Beef Broth, Beef Stew, Brownie Mix, Cake Mix, Chicken Helper, Chili (no Beans), Chile with Beans, Chili Seasoning, Coffee, Dry Cereal, Cookie Mix, Cooking Oil, Cooking Spray, Corn Muffin Mix, Crackers, Frosting, Fruit Juice, Gravy (jar or can), Hamburger Helper, Hot Cocoa, Instant Mashed Potatoes, Kidney Beans, Mac and Cheese, Canned Oranges, Muffin Mix, Quick Cook Oatmeal, Oatmeal - Instant, Pancake Mix, Pasta Side Dishes, Canned Pineapple, Pizza Crust Mix, Pizza Sauce, Microwave Popcorn, Refried Beans, Rice - Instant, Rice Side Dish, Salsa, Scalloped Potatoes, Au Gratin Potatoes, Spam, Stuffing Mix, Brown & White Sugar, Taco Sauce, Taco Seasoning, Taco Shells, Tuna Helper.

Let's pull together and help feed more of the hungry of O'Brien County! Please bring your donations to the church and we will distribute them.

November 30 - Hanging of the Greens

We welcome one and all to gather at the church on Sunday November, 30th at 12:15 to decorate for Christmas and to have pizza together. We will blast some Christmas music as we deck the halls. Many hands make light work, and we want to light up the Sanctuary! Come join in the fun!



November Birthdays

Nov. 3 Mallorie VanMeeteren
Isaac Wenthe

Nov. 4 Dean Hansen

Nov. 5 Stephanie Ball
Cody Mayer

Nov. 6 Sherri Morgan

Nov. 9 Eleanor Poppema

Nov. 10 Susan Klein

Nov. 11 Ralph Hollander, Jr.
Tyler Johnson
Elijah Broesder
Stella Molettiere
Tami Van Meeteren

Nov. 12 Chuck Ball
Paul Honermann

Nov. 16 Kathryn Saville
Rick Kobbe
Marla Lindley

Nov. 18 Ruth Hollander
Cyrach Wright
Zekiel Junius

Nov. 19 Stephanie Landhuis
Pete Hamill

Nov. 20 Keith Bilsland

Nov. 21 Aubrie Koerselman

Nov. 22 Gerald Kroon

Nov. 23 Amber McClintic
Sarah Updike

Nov. 25 Dillion Postma
Kenzie McCuddin

Nov. 28 Darryl Klein

Nov. 29 Lisa Welch
Rachael Becker
Hayes Sterler

November 2025



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 Communion 8:30 AM Traditional 9:30 AM Fellowship 9:35-10:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Modern	3 4:00-6:00 PM Decorate tables for Soup and Pie 6:00-8:00 PM Prep for Soup and Pie 6:30 PM Olivier Yonkers meet & greet	4 11:30 AM Staff 4:30-7:00 PM Soup & Pie Supper	5 5:00-6:00 PM Supper 5:00 PM Bells 6:00-7:15 PM Children & Jr High 7:15-8:00 PM Adult Bible Study 7:30-8:45 PM High School	6 5:00-8:30 Love Inc.	7	8
9 8:30 AM Traditional 9:30 AM Fellowship 9:45 AM Pastor Search Meeting 9:35-10:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Modern	10 5:15 Youth Council Meeting 6:30 PM Faith in Action Meeting	11 10:30 AM Staff 5:15 PM Children's Ministry Team meeting	12 5:00-6:00 PM Supper 5:00 PM Bells 6:00-7:15 PM Children & Jr High 7:15-8:00 PM Adult Bible Study 7:30-8:45 PM High School	13	14	15
16 8:30 AM Traditional (Bells) 9:30 AM Fellowship 9:35-10:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Modern	17 6:30 PM Ad Board	18 10:30 AM Staff	19 5:00-6:00 PM Supper 5:00 PM Bells 6:00-7:15 PM Children & Jr High 7:15-8:00 PM Adult Bible Study 7:30-8:45 PM High School	20	21	22
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