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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Faith Community Church

September 2023 Newsletter

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:

Several people have asked what Faith Community Church of Sheldon believes. Who are we? During the month of September we will be looking at just who we hope to be. Have we changed? Yes, and no. We have changed our name, but our mission to glorify God by making disciples for Jesus Christ is still at our core. We are no longer called "United Methodist", but our very fabric is still saved by grace, with the scripture being our guiding principle.

As we claim our identity, we need to come together and vision where God is calling us into the future. How can we be a bold witness to Christ in our community? Where can we serve? What are needs that we can meet? These are some of the questions we will be answering together on October 1 at our "Vision 2024" planning day.

It was out of a 2013 visioning day that we birthed the Summer Lunch program. This year we served over 6300 meals! This would never have happened if we had not come together to vision what our community needs. We also formed the Kaden's Kloset and a small food pantry out of our visions.

My hope is that every member discovers what gift she/he has to offer to the rest of us, and that we all begin to work together for the sake of Christ. Let's start praising God for the call to ministry we each have. We have a wonderful fellowship of believers here at Faith Community! Let's start to spread the good news and invite others to join us in worshipping God through his Son Jesus Christ, by the power of Holy Spirit!

Come! Celebrate! Worship!

Pastor Kevin Gingerich

PRAY FERVENTLY: As you are aware, Jacob has accepted a position of Pastor at the Christ Community Church of Davis County. This means we are without a youth pastor at this time. The Youth Council and the Administrative Board feel this is a vital position to fill. Please pray for the right leader to apply for this position. Until then, Rachael Becker and Pastor Kevin will be preparing the Impact programs, and the adults will be stepping in to help lead. Pray for the position, and for the program in the interim.

Because of this position change, True Life Worship will be discontinued.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Otto Lawson, Derick Roos, Karrine Dykstra, Bob Sterler, Gloria Morris, Bonnie Baartman, Georgia Wahlstrom

Jo Anne Fowler (mother of Steve Fowler)

Stephanie Fowler (Daughter of Steve & Bernadette Fowler) **Donna Whitfield** (Mother of Michelle Noack)

Eli Sims (grandson of Rich Haack)

Sheila Lienau (sister of Karin Vanden Berg)

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@umcmission.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 Pomérenke, Julia Mérley, Duane & Georgia Wahlstrom

Christian Retirement Home: Lucy Hoppe, Gerald Kroon, Mildred Robinson, Clarence Meinecke, Nancy Burley, Janus Martin, Linda Heiliger

Other Homes: Jervis Sterler, Sherry Vander Pol, Bob Sterler, John Van Olst,

Eleanor Poppema

AUGUST ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL

The council met on Wednesday August 16. Here are some of the highlights.

- We will be changing some of the software we use for the office to keep records of membership, finances and communication. This will take place in January.
- The ministry connections team is hosting a meal for college and young adults on the second Sunday of each month beginning September 10. The meal will be served during a gathering that starts at 5:00 p.m.
- Decided to get rid of the couches in the Library, and to turn the west end of the Chapel into our Heritage space instead of the Library.
- We will have a "Vision 2024" planning day on October 1. We will have one worship service at 10:00 celebrating communion and the charter of Faith Community Church, followed by a pot-luck meal and a time of planning for our shared ministries in the future.
- Back to Sunday School Rally Day is September 10.
- We are searching for a new youth director. She/he will work with youth 22 hours, with the possibility to also apply for the technology of 10 hours.
- The bill of sale came through and the transfer of the name of all properties were changed to Faith Community Church of Sheldon.
- We will have one candlelight service on Christmas Eve at 5:00 p.m.
- Mike McCuddin will contact Farmer's Market to fix a leak in the basement wall.
- Faith Community Women would like to open the fundraising and funeral meals to include men and/or youth helping serve. They are reorganizing and would welcome any input others may have. Possibly combining the Men and Women into one fellowship?

"Vision 2024" Sunday October 1

On Sunday, October 1, we will have one combined worship service beginning at 10:00 a.m. This will be a charter membership service, where we will recognize all members of Faith Community Church of Sheldon, and celebrate communion. Following worship we will have a pot-luck meal and share in planning for our shared ministries (visioning). Start considering how you can be involved in our ministries, and what needs you see in our church or in the surrounding area.

Upcoming Congrats to Duane & Georgia on celebrating 69 years of marriage on September 5th.

Sign up Sheets

Sunday School and Kids Club sign up sheets are up on the website sheldonfaith.org. You can find them under the Faith ministries tab. Then click on the event you want to register for and complete form.

Sheldon MOPS is in need of mentor moms and child care volunteers! If you are a seasoned mom or grandma and would like to nourish the next generation of moms with love, knowledge, and support, you are who we are looking for! We also are in need of loving child care providers while we meet. This can be anyone 8th grade and older who loves kids, needs volunteer hours, or just wants to help. If either of these interest you or you would like more information, please contact Brianna at bfvdz22@gmail.com

Adult Sunday School

Adult Sunday School will be starting September 17th with a eight week series called "Christian It's not what you think". If you and I were in a roomful of randomly chosen people playing a word association game and I called out "Christian" how do you think everyone would respond? What images and adjectives and phrases would be tossed about? In this series we will be exploring another name for Jesus followers and seeing how it is more clearly defined in the Bible.

Ardis and I want to thank everyone for their prayers, card and support while I was in the hospital and rehabilitation center at the Sioux Falls VA. It is wonderful to know that we belong to such a loving and caring *Church. Fred Grein •

Fly-In Pancake Breakfast 6:30-11:00 AM September 4th Free will donation Hosted by Sheldon Christian School

Thank you for the cards, calls, and visits for our 60th anniversary. God bless Ron & Marcella Ling you all!

CONFIRMATION:

At Faith Community we invite youth who are entering 8th grade or above to come and join us in a learning setting as we explore the Christian faith, and what we believe. Does coming to confirmation mean that I will become a member of Faith Community? Only if that is what you decide once we conclude the experience.

We do ask youth to attend each week, complete 30 hours of community service, memorize several important scriptures, and memorize the Apostle's Creed.

If you missed the information meeting, classes do not begin until September 13, so there is still time to join by calling the church office for more information. 712-324-4894.

Hope Haven Talsma ATV & Horse Ride Benefit:

Ready for an adventure? Bring your ATV's, side by side's, dirt bikes, or horses and join us at Talsma's Trail Park Saturday, September 16th. Talsma's trail park is an ATV park located along the Missouri river in Southeast South Dakota. Trails range from easy to extreme and include creek crossings, scenic river bluffs, open prairies, river bottom terrain and much more. Don't miss this fun opportunity to support Hope Haven International Ministries! Sign up today by visiting hopehaven.org/events



September Birthday's



9-1	Niki Cooper	9-8	Kurtis Tatsumi
	Jack Brink		John Van Olst
9-2	Nancy Burley	9-9	Carolyn Dykstra
	Benjamin Goetzke		Arizona George
9-3	Leona Sauer-103!!	9-11	Eli Becker
	Josh Weber	9-12	Dillon Jansma
	Sierra George	9-14	Katie Storm
9-4	Duane Seehusen	9-15	Loren Kamstra
	Melissa Davis		
	Michelle Groen Rebecca McCuddin Emma Weber	9-17 9-18	Sam Peterson Makinley Adkins Luke Jansma
			Louis Donahue
∙5	Laura Getting	9-19	Jack Bartz
6	Robin Lawson		Ross Bartz
	Ariya Nieuwenhuis		Emmet Oldenkamp
·7	Joan Holles		Breklyn Adkins
	Jacob Roelfs	9-20	Riley Ball
8	Joann Malsed		John Oldenkamp
	Aubrey Erkes	9-23	Sandra Wilson

Charles Bartz

9-24 Phillip Klaassen Steven Wieseler Josephine Dunn Junius Adam Roelfs Julie Brink Mildred Robinson Cael Noteboom Joan Hansen Jim Johnson 9-29



Kaden's Closet food pantry is in need of any non perishable can or box foods. The pantry has been getting greatly used so we want to be able to continue to bless those in need. Thank you.

Krista Honermann

Dear Irene Voss Scholarship Foundation,

Thank you for supporting me on my education path and my faith path as well. I am very blessed to be able to continue my education with all of your help. Faith Community Church has really impacted me greatly. Thank you all for all of the support.

-Emma Barwick



For safety reasons going forward, the <u>ONLY</u> doors at the church that will be unlocked during the week will be the front doors. If you need in the back door, call the office and I or

someone will meet you back there. Sundays all doors will be unlocked!

Love INC. is Hiring

Administrative Assistant

Spanish Ministries Coordinator

Job descriptions and application details can be found by visiting

www.sheldon-loveinc.org/employment.

College Connections 2nd Sunday of each Month 5:00-9:00 PM

October 8th- Taco Bar and cookies Cornhole Tournament

November 12th- Pasta Bar and cheese cake Board Games

December 10- Taverns and cake Christmas games/Crafts

January 14th-Soup and pies

Scavenger Hunt

10 years of Summer Lunch

Wow! What a blessing it has been to be part of such an amazing ministry. This was my 5th year serving. It was a bit of a roller coaster there with COVID thrown in there, but God saw us through. We have had the privilege of serving 38,067 meals over the course of that 10-year span!!! It originally was founded to fill the need that arose in the summer to help feed children who normally received a free meal during the school year. As time progressed, we found that so many more in our community need a hot meal. This year we served at least 2 sets of people that were displaced. Our numbers this year almost doubled our numbers served from 2021. In that year we served 3,377 meals, and 2023 we served 6,354 meals. Also, this year we had 49 volunteers helping, as well as so many donors that blessed us yet again. We receive grants and donations of food, as well as monetary donations. This program solely runs from donations and volunteers, so it takes both funds and volunteers to make this successful. This program wouldn't be possible without God's help through those whom He has called to serve and give. We are so very thankful and humbled that God has chosen us to carry out this mission for Him here in our community. We have wrapped up another year as the children head back to school, and anxiously await next summer's calling to do it all again.

Michelle Noack

Areas of Service September

<u>Liturgist:</u>	8:30 Am Acolyte:	8:30 AM Greeters:	
3. Judy N	3. Jack B	<u>3.</u> Julie B	
10. Ardis	10. Benjamin/William F	<u>10.</u> Chris & Liz	
<u>17.</u> Steve F	17. Eli B	<u>17.</u> Steve F	
24. Bill	24. Kyler/Kenzie	<u>24.</u> Jerry & Bev	
Song Leader: 3. Ardis 10. Ardis	11:00 AM Acolyte: 3. Dax/Caleb 10. Aubrie/Jadelyn	11:00 AM Greeters: 3. Dave & Michelle 10. Peter & Karin 17. Tony & Deb 24. Henry & Carolyn	
<u>17.</u> Bill B	17. Hayes/Wyatt		
<u>24.</u> Bill B	24. Jane/Tallulah	24. Hemy & Carolyn	
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Sunday School

Our kids and the kingdom need your assistance to lead Sunday School this fall. Rally Day (1st day) is September 10th. Contact Michelle to secure your place!



Archer Community Church Pie And Ice Cream Social

309 Harriman Ave, Archer, IA Wednesday September 6th 5:30-8:00 PM

Free will donation for missions

August was the end of Summer Impact and the beginning of Wednesday night Impact! The first couple of weeks in August saw our last Summer Impact nights. During these Sunday nights, we had lessons revolving around animals of the Bible. We looked at what the Bible said about lions, as well as what the Scriptures say about wolves. It was a fun and powerful little series that the youth were very much involved in! Finally, on the last night of Summer Impact, we discussed some of the youths' favorite memories over the last few years and found out that all the memories glorified God, which was the most important part of each event.

To close out the Summer, we had a fun celebration at the Becker's household with the new up and coming 7th graders and the rest of the grades from 8th-12th. This was a night to prepare and get ready for the new school year, as well as a sendoff for the Jacob, the youth pastor. August 23rd was the first Wednesday night Impact and it saw 13 youth in Jr. High and 19 youth in Sr. High. We are excited for a brand-new year to begin and are looking forward to finding new and creating ways to serve the Lord and our community.

On behalf of me and my family, I want to say thank you for all the support you have shown these youth and the Impact ministry. These youth changed my life for the better and have helped me see the evidence of God's existence in each and every one of them. I pray nothing but the best for the Impact youth group going forward, and I pray that the Holy Spirit will continue to rest on the hearts and in the souls of these young adults. Thank you for everything, we love you church!

-Jacob Sandholm

Conquering Cancer 4 O'Brien County 1st Annual Golf Tournament

Thursday September 7, 2023

5:00 PM

Primghar Golf and Country Club

\$60.00 per person includes meal and cart

Call or text Sheryl Storm

712-230-0069 with names and contact numbers

Payment can be mailed to 3543 Oriole Ave, Archer Iowa 51231 Register by August 30.





Sheldon Mobile Food Bank at Living Water Community Church 4:30-6:00 pm September 11 (week late because of Labor Day)

Sheldon Area Unity Meal and groceries to go. at Living Water Community Church 5:30 to 6:30 pm September 18

September 2023

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