

## ***Sunday, December 2, 2018***

### **TODAY:**

**NURSERY: AM:** Angela Zomermaand, Sydney Miedema

**PM:** Leah Schoonhoven, Lila Sieck

**USHERS:** Jim Dekkers, Justin Dekkers, Arlin De Weerd

### **GREETERS & COFFEE SERVERS:**

Brent & Cindy Davelaar (4 dozen cookies)

Brad & Sheila Dekkers (4 dozen cookies)

**MUSICIAN: AM:** Evan Shroeder

**PM:** Marissa Vos

**SOUND SYSTEM:** Sieck

**LIBRARIAN: AM:** Wanetta Vander Plas

**OFFERING: AM:** Christian Ed & Benevolence

**PM:** Christian Ed

### **NEXT WEEK:**

Debi Kramer, Gage Koopmans

Kayla Dekkers, Mikaela Broek

Les Dorhout, Kevin Eisma, Doug Faber

Brandon & Kayla Dekkers

Jim & Angela Dekkers

Nicolas Kuperus

Haley Kuperus and Cassady Dekkers

Kuperus

Janice Fedders

General Fund

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## **Our Church Family**

We pray for . . .

**Pam Fedders** as she deals with a ligament tear in her ankle and the pain of kidney stones.

The upcoming appointments **Pete Dekkers** has as he receives results from his bone marrow test.

A good report for **Celia Ten Napel** as she finds out this week if her ankle has recovered enough to support weight again.

Continue to pray for **Kory Bonnema**, **Megan Miedema**, and **Jason De Wit** as well.

## **Ireton CRC News and Announcements ...**

**LET'S STUDY MARK:** The Mark Bible is going through Study 10 on **this Sunday evening (December 2)** after the worship service. We are using Study 10 on page 296 covering chapters 51-56 of the book. We will be meeting at Jim and Angela Dekkers's house.

**HILLCREST SERVICE – MONDAY, DECEMBER 3 at 6:30 PM:** *(Chairman is requested to call Hillcrest (551-1074) before 9 A.M. on the morning of your service to remind them that your group will be there in the evening.)*

Arlin De Weerd (chair), Donna Koopmans (piano), Brad Dekkers, Mildred De Weerd, Bernie Fedders, Brad Fedders, Lynn Juffer, Don Mulder, Bertha Statema, Rodney Vander Plas, Ryan Zomermaand.

**MEN'S BIBLE STUDY:** Let's try again this week! **Wednesday (December 5) and Thursday (December 6)** at 7:00 PM. Please go through Session 1 of the *Heaven* discussion guide. If you still need a book, talk to Pastor Nate.

**ELDERS AND COUNCIL MEETING:** There will be **no** elders or council meeting this week, however ALL RETIRING and NEW council members are asked to come to the transitional meeting following the congregational meeting on December 11.

**NOMINEES FOR ELDER AND DEACON:** At our December 11 congregational meeting we will be selecting our new officebearers. For the 1 elder position council has approved the nomination of **Gerald Postma, Marlin Schoonhoven, and Doug Ten Napel**. For the 2 deacon positions council has approved the nomination of **Brandon Dekkers, Mike Rens, Dave Scholten, and Ryan Zomermaand**. At the congregational meeting each adult professing member will cast a ballot affirming all, none, or some of the nominees for elder and deacon. From the nominees that were affirmed by the membership, we will cast lots to determine who will become our new elder and deacons. Please continue to pray for the process of selection at home. If you have questions about the process, please speak to one of the Elders or Pastor Nate.

**GEMS TRASH BAGS** will be delayed until Christmas. We apologize for this delay but delivery wasn't possible because of the weather. We thank Helen, Howard Hulshof's sister, for delivering them for us from Kansas City every year when visiting family. Thank you for your patience.

**THE TEAM TEN NAPEL GOD'S CREATION CALENDARS ARE HERE.** Each one has beautiful pictures of God's creation throughout the world and scriptures for every week. The profits from these calendar sales goes to "Relay for Life". Limited amount on hand. So, if interested, please contact Susan Ten Napel at 278-2520. If no answer, please leave a message. \$10.00 per calendar. Team Ten Napel thanks you for your support to find a cure for cancer that strikes so many of our friends and family.

**DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Please put any bulletin announcements in Nicki's Church mailbox or via email [nickiweida@gmail.com](mailto:nickiweida@gmail.com) by **NOON** on **Thursday, December 6**. *Thank You.*



### **Ireton Christian School ...**

**IRETON CHRISTIAN SCHOOL WILL HOLD THEIR ANNUAL SOUP SUPPER AND CANDY WALK** on **Monday, December 10, 2018** serving from **5:00 – 7:00 PM** at the Ireton Christian School Gym. Menu includes Taverns, Coneys, Hot Dogs, Chicken Soup, Potato Soup, Chili Soup, Pies & Ice Cream. Freewill donation. We will also be having a Candy and Cookie Walk. A variety of Christmas goodies will be available. Pick and choose what you like and pay by the pound!



### **Unity Christian High School ...**

**JOIN US FOR THE ANNUAL REACH OUT EVENT** sponsored by Unity Christian/MOC/Floyd Valley on **Saturday, December 8!** MOC/Floyd Valley is hosting the event this year. Basketball games between MOC-FV and Unity begin at 1:00 (girls & boys JV games, girls & boys varsity games). A silent auction will run from 1:00 through half time of the boys varsity game. Pre-orders of reach out t-shirts is closed but extras will be available on a first come first serve basis. All proceeds from this community event will benefit local families with high medical costs.

**UNITY CHRISTIAN HIGH SCHOOL'S ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT** will be presented on **Thursday, December 13** at 7:00 p.m. at the Unity Christian Knight Center. All the school's music ensembles will participate. A free will offering will be received for the Music Department. Come and celebrate the birth of the King!

**UNITY'S FFA CHAPTER WILL SPONSOR A CHICKEN/CHILISOUP/CINNAMON ROLL SUPPER** on **Thursday, Dec. 13**, serving from 4:30-6:30 p.m. (before the Christmas concert) in the Unity cafeteria. Free-will donation for FFA.



### **Area Community News ...**

**IRETON COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE** will be held on **Monday, December 3** from 11:00 – 1:00 PM at the Ireton Community Center.

**YOUTH FOR CHRIST WOULD LIKE TO INVITE YOU TO OUR ANNUAL APPRECIATION SOUP LUNCHEON/OPEN HOUSE** on **December 4** from 11:30am-1:30pm at the Teen Center in Hawarden. This is in appreciation for all that you do for Siouxland YFC in Sioux Co/Hawarden. Come and enjoy some free hot soup and take a tour of the Teen Center. For more info: Tom Cook @ 701-269-6259.

**THE NAMI (NATIONAL ALLIANCE ON MENTAL ILLNESS) SUPPORT GROUP** will meet in the Fireside Room of Central Reformed Church in Sioux Center from 7 to 9 p.m. on **Tuesday, December 4**. Individuals and family members coping with mental illness are welcome. For information call Shirley Matheis 722-4462.

**THE DORDT COLLEGE CAMPUS-COMMUNITY BAND, CHAMBER ORCHESTRA, AND CONCERT BAND** will present a concert on **Friday, December 7**, at 7:30 p.m. in the B.J. Haan Auditorium in Sioux Center. This concert of praise and celebration will feature a variety of musical selections, including Philip Sparke's Mary's Boy Child, arranged to be a Calypso (an Afro-Caribbean style of music), Riu, Riu, Chiu arranged by Marshall Fine (a Spanish Christmas carol depicting the story of the birth of Jesus and the joy of his coming to redeem the world from the guilt of sin), and Of Sailors and Whales: Five Scenes from Melville, a piece for wind band based on Moby Dick that will feature Dordt English Professor Mary Dengler as narrator.

**TRAVELING NATIVITY:** The senior high youth group at Maurice Reformed Church invites us to their Traveling Nativity held on **Saturday, December 8 and Sunday, December 9** in Maurice from 5:30-8:30 PM. A horse drawn wagon will lead you down a lit path to events leading to the birth of Christ. Enjoy warm refreshments in the church's Family Life Center before or after you ride. Freewill donations will go toward the senior high youth group at MRC. Hope you can make this special presentation celebrating the true meaning of Christmas.

**THE NORTHWEST IOWA SYMPHONY YOUTH ORCHESTRA**, led by conductor Dr. Angela Holt, will present its Fall Concert on **Saturday, December 8**, at 3:00 p.m. in the B.J. Haan Auditorium on the campus of Dordt College in Sioux Center, Iowa. Consisting of talented middle school and high school string players, NISYO will perform works by Dvorak, Bohm, Plante and Stamitz as well as string arrangements from the PBS Series "The Civil War" and a traditional Christmas carol. The concert is free and open to the public.

**'CHRISTMAS JAZZ NIGHT' AT DORDT COLLEGE** will take place on **Tuesday, December 11**, at 7:30 pm in the B.J. Haan Auditorium and will feature the Kantorei (a 16 voice jazz choir) and Jazz Band. The Kantorei will be celebrating the birth of Christ in unique and intricate ways with a cappella renditions of *Mary Did You Know* by Pentatonix, familiar carols like *Silent Night* and the Coventry Carol approached from a jazz perspective, and songs performed in collaboration with the Jazz Band. The Dordt Jazz Band will be swinging to some holiday classics like, *Here Comes Santa Claus*, *Santa Claus is Coming to Town*, and *Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas*. Come in out of the cold for a night of light, bright jazz music.

**THE DORDT COLLEGE CHRISTMAS CHORAL CONCERT** will take place on **Friday, December 14**, at 7:30 pm in the B.J. Haan Auditorium and will feature Bella Voce (women's chorus), Chorale, and Concert Choir - over 160 singers. The choirs will explore a wide range of repertoire for Christmas to commemorate and marvel at the great mystery and wondrous gift of the birth of Christ. Highlights include works by Eric Whitacre, Jake Runestad, John Rutter, Ola Gjeilo, Knut Nystedt, Vijay Singh, and Michael Engelhardt. Stunning a cappella compositions will be side by side with several forms of accompaniment that will bring a deep texture to the program, including piano, cello, guitar, flute, harp, percussion, and handbells.

**Week at a Glance ...**

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| <b>Sunday</b>    | <b>December 2</b> | <b>9:30 AM</b>    | Worship Service   |
|                  |                   | <b>10:45 AM</b>   | Sunday School Program Practice/Catechism                                  |
|                  |                   | <b>6:00 PM</b>    | Worship Service   |
|                  |                   | <b>7:00 PM</b>    | Growing in Christ Bible Study<br><i>(at Jim and Angela Dekkers house)</i> |
| <b>Monday</b>    | <b>December 3</b> | <b>6:30 PM</b>    | Hillcrest Service   |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | <b>December 5</b> | <b>7:00 PM</b>    | Men's Bible Study   |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | <b>December 6</b> | <b>12:00 NOON</b> | Bulletin Announcements Due  |
|                  |                   | <b>7:00 PM</b>    | Men's Bible Study   |