

IRETON CHRISTIAN REFORMED NEWSLETTER

MAY 2020



May 1	Angie Zomermaand
May 3	Leah Schoonhoven
May 5	Kevin Eisma
May 6	Marie Mulder
May 12	Kim Rens
May 16	Haley Kuperus
May 19	Megan Miedema
May 20	Calvin Bootsma
May 26	Kelly Noteboom
May 26	Ryan Zomermaand
May 28	Rev. Ken Lee
May 29	Elizabeth Scholten
May 30	Talon Kramer
June 4	Dave Wielenga
June 7	Cindy Davelaar

May 11	Cainen & Jessica Vander Windt
May 26	Arlin & Marlene De Weerd
May 26	Pastor Nate & Angela Kuperus



*We want to thank everyone for your thoughts, prayers, food brought in, cards, messages and texts after Doug's dad's sudden passing. We can't thank you enough. Thanks also to pastor Nate for the visits and being at the funeral. It meant a lot to us. Thanks again
Doug, Audrey, and Mikaela Broek*

FANN WESTRA AND HER FAMILY WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE ENTIRE CONGREGATION for their kindness and support during Wes's illness and departure from this early life. Special thanks to Pastor Nate for his many visits and words of comfort; the elders for their visit to offer prayers, condolences and join with us in the singing of hymns; to all those who sent food, memorials and cards; all those who came out to the farm for the drive-by visitation to offer a wave, a honk, a sign or a few words. Thanks also to those who provided the color guard at the cemetery; to Brian, Kam and Kaleb for providing a flyover with the missing man formation; and to those who provided dinner for the immediate family after the committal. Despite the restrictions in place due to the COVID virus, our family of believers has surrounded us with their love in many unique ways. We plan to have a celebration of life next year on Wes's birthday, April 3 where we can once again gather to give you a hug, visit, share stories and celebrate the eternal life granted Wes through his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

**IRETON CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH
COUNCIL MINUTES
Thursday, April 2, 2020**
(abbreviated meeting because of COVID 19)

1. Call to order: Brent Davelaar opened with prayer
2. Church closure is in effect until May 1, 2020 mandated by Governor
3. Discussed Good Friday/Easter services-at this point we are restricted from gathering as a religious organization a) Sermons for Good Friday and Easter Sunday (3 sermons) will be available on CD's and on Ireton CRC Facebook page
4. The Elders went to the Wes Westra home and read Bible passages and sang a few songs, expressed their condolences and had a prayer with the family after the passing of Wes Westra, Saturday was visitation at Porter Funeral home in Ireton, Sunday was the funeral service with immediate family only
5. Meeting was closed in prayer.
6. Next meeting: Tuesday, April 8, 2020
Lunch & Devotions: Tim Bonnema

Ireton CRC Clerk, Marlin Schoonhoven

**IRETON CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH
COUNCIL MINUTES
Wednesday, April 8, 2020**
(abbreviated meeting because of COVID 19)

1. Tim Bonnema opened with Prayer.
2. Elders are to make calls to people in their district
3. Pastor gave his monthly report of telephone contacts
4. Kathy Huitink family would like to use our church for a memorial service in June or July-MSA
5. COVID-19 challenges facing pastoral care and duties, cd's are greatly appreciated
6. Brent Davelaar closed with prayer

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**IRETON CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH
COUNCIL MINUTES
Tuesday, April 28, 2020**
(abbreviated meeting because of COVID 19)

1. Brent Davelaar opened meeting with prayer.
2. Restarting the church and how to proceed in following guidelines and in a safe manner.
 - a) handouts of other churches information
 - b) pros and cons of restarting church on May 1 were discussed in detail
 - c) pros and cons of not restarting church on May 1 were discussed in detail
3. COVID -19 guidelines for gatherings were read and discussed
4. Motion to open Ireton CRC on Sunday, May 3, 2020 with regular morning and evening worship service times.
5. No Catechism or Sunday School, no fellowship with coffee or cookies in fellowship hall at services (needs to be done outdoors while maintaining social distancing)
6. Call people that probably can't attend if CD is desired

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