

First Reformed Church March 19, 2023

Ladies.... there will be a short Service Team Meeting (formally Women's Ministries) following the worship service this morning!

If you would like to order an Easter Lily in memory/or honor of someone, please contact Sheri at the church office or leave a note in her mailbox. Cost of Lilies is \$17.00; please order by April 1.

The Ladies Service Teams would like to say "Thank You" for your generous giving at the Soup Supper and to all the hands that make this night possible! We raised approximately \$4300.00! This is a great night of community fellowship! THANKS!

CLASS & JAM wish to pass along our utmost gratitude and appreciation to our Church family and greater community family for supporting us once again at our Spud Night! Wow! What a fun and busy night! We fed 265 people! Guess we'll be buying more hot dogs next year! 😊 Contributions were in excess of \$4000. Thank you again for joining us! We look forward to carrying on the tradition!

The Deacons are planning to replace 2 doors, do some upgrading to the church offices (Jen & Sheri's) and purchase new tables & chairs for the Fellowship Hall. They ask that you prayerfully consider your offering for these projects; and thank you in advance.

The General Synod Meeting will be held June 8 - 14 in Pella, IA. Past Elders are able to attend. All expenses are paid by the RCA (except for your incidentals). If you are interested in attending, please contact Dan Taylor.

Inspiration Hills Summer Camp Registration is Open! **Save money by registering by April 15!** Our theme for the 2023 camp season will be "Living Water" from John 7:37-38. "On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and cried out, "If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as the scripture has said, 'Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.'" **Reminder: Church pays for half of the registration fee!**

NURSING HOME/ASSISTED LIVING RESIDENTS:

Whispering Heights: **Adriana Dykstra, Faye Gort, Marilyn Van Holland, Clara Bannick, Joyce Van Berkum, Viola Van Driel.** Pleasant Acres, Hull: **Cornie & Ann Jansen, Duane Ver Mulm;** Avantara Norton, Sioux Falls, SD: **Bill & Alma Landegent;** Fellowship Village, Inwood: **Jeanette Van Beek;** RiverView Ridge: **Tillie Rook, Lucy Ymker, Katheron Middle.**

CHURCH SUPPORTED MISSIONARIES:

Brian and Elizabeth Bruxvoort in AK; **Amy and Seung Kim** in Bangladesh; **Brian and Donna Renes** in Sioux Center; **John & Lynn Hubers** in MI; **Josh & Alison Perkins** in United Arab Emirates.

Community Announcements

If you see someone with a red dot on their forehead, or wearing a religious head covering, do you wonder how to reach out to them? On Sat., March 25, 8:30--11:30AM, come to Empower Campus, 1915 E. 8th Street, Sioux Falls. Hear testimonies of former Hindus, Muslims, and Buddhists who are now Jesus-followers, learn about outreach, and have good ethnic treats. No need to RSVP. Questions? Contact Fred at (605)376-6330/sfnewroots@gmail.com, NEW ROOTS MINISTRY

Cornerstone Prison Church Council, Board and Congregation would like to invite you to the 15th Annual Benefit Banquet on Monday, April 3, at Trinity Christian Reformed Church, at 6:30 p.m.! Doors will open at 6:00 p.m. Save your spot by March 26 by calling Trinity at 476-5292 or go to our website www.cornerstonepcsd.org. A free will offering will be taken as an opportunity to financially support Cornerstone's ministry! Join us for an evening of praise to God for his work through Cornerstone Prison Church inside the walls of the South Dakota State Penitentiary! We look forward to seeing you! If you are unable to attend, you can send your donations to: Cornerstone Prison Church, c/o Dave Vande Kamp, PO Box 88708, Sioux Falls, SD 57109

Love INC Sioux County invites the community to our *Spring Share Event* on April 15th at the Parkview Event Center in Rock Valley. Doors will open at 5 p.m. to be followed by a catered meal at 5:30 and an improvisational comedy show by *Slap Happy Comedy* at 7. The *Slap Happy Comedy* team, a Christian two-man duo, brings a clean, high energy, interactive comedy experience that guarantees fun for the entire family. Tickets to this event can be purchased for \$50 a piece or you may reserve a complete table of 8 for \$360. Please order tickets by calling the Love INC office at (712)476-5990 or by going to www.loveincsiouxcounty.org. Deadline is April 7.

Join us for another Beautiful Life Women's Conference: *Growing Together*, at American Reformed Church of Luverne, featuring Jennifer Dukes Lee and her book: *Growing Slow*. This in-person event will be April 15 from 9am-4pm. Doors open at 8am. Breakfast and lunch will be served. Register by calling 507-283-8600 or sign up at <https://bit.ly/BLWC23>. Pre-registration is REQUIRED. Early bird registration is \$40 per person. Last day for early bird registration is March 12. Registration from March 13 to April 2 is \$50 per person. NO tickets available at the door. Follow us on Facebook at Beautiful Life Conferences.

DIGGING DEEPER BIBLE STUDY ~ April 22 | 8:30am-4pm

Registration till April 9 - \$25 per person

Have you ever been confused by God's Word and wondered where to even begin? Maybe you have been reading the Word for quite some time and are looking to grow in your understanding. Whether you're just opening the Bible for the first time or are a seasoned theologian, this workshop will help you learn the tools necessary for studying God's Word accurately and in a fulfilling way! Learn how to understand, interpret, and apply God's word through patience and prayer in a group setting so you can bring it home to your own personal quiet time. Space is limited. Lunch/snacks will be provided. To register or learn more, visit inspirationhills.org/digging-deeper/