

THE COMMUNICATOR

THIS WEEK

SEPT 2- SEPT 9

Saturday, Sept. 5

7:00am- Fresh Encounter
Prayer Group

Sunday, Sept. 6

**8:00, 9:00 & 10:45am-
Worship Services**
10:15am- Adult Sunday School

No Refresh

(College-age/ Young adults)

Tuesday, Sept. 8

9:30am- Play Group
7:00-8:00pm- WD-40
(Women's group)

Wednesday, Sept. 9

6:30-8:00pm- Youth Group
Starts

Clyde's Update

SEPTEMBER 2, 2026

September is here! Wow! I know we are all amazed at where the summer has gone. I think every week I am talking about that in the newsletter, but it is so true! Schools are going and all the activities are in full swing. People are going to things, and life just does not stop being on the go and I know each of you reading these words does not have to be reminded of that. I know there are still some nice days ahead, and I do hope you can all get a chance to get out and enjoy those days. Fall is coming, and I know how very much I enjoy that season. I need to make some time for me in all of that as well. I am not very good at that. That was one of things that Becky would remind me of and without her around, I get all tangled up in my life and don't stop enough. We all need a reminder because life is a quick trip friends!

I want to start by saying thank you to all of you who came out for the concert last Friday night. I know there were all kinds of activities going on that evening, but we had a very nice turnout for that event. Gordon is a great talent, and we were all very pleased with how all of that went. I want to thank all the volunteers because you just can't do those kinds of things without extra hands to step up and help. There were lots of you! Thanks everyone! It was a good evening for our church with lots of visitors who came through those doors.

Before the concert on Friday, we also hosted a gathering for the pastors and staff of our Kingdom Network Hub. I know, as if doing the concert wasn't enough on our plates, we threw that in there as well. We decorated (not really we, more like Rhonda Niewenhuis, which was absolutely fantastic) and had a catered dinner for those folks. It really was a nice evening for them, and I think they all enjoyed it. I didn't really get a chance to talk to them much after, but the ones I did see, really did enjoy the evening. It was a good way to get to know those folks around a table and some food. Sometimes that is really the best way to make a difference by sitting down and and sharing a meal together. That still works, Community, and we really do that sort of thing well!

I know Heather is still looking for some teachers. I believe she is down to finding helpers now for those classrooms. I will ask again to pay attention to the moving of the spirit. God will usually let us know if that is what we are supposed to be doing. He has a way of tapping us on the shoulder when He wants our attention. I trust that! He has never failed yet in that area.

The sermon this coming Sunday will be centered around a New Testament story. We did an Old Testament one last week, and now we are going to move to that other section of our Bibles, and the person who is at the center of those texts, Jesus. We try very hard around here to keep him front and center. This week's message is about Jesus calling the disciples and asking them to follow him. We are going to look at those "following" words of Jesus. He would walk up to someone and say something like, "Drop whatever you are doing, and follow me." That is quite abrupt! "You mean right now, Jesus?" "What about my job, and my family?" We'll talk more on Sunday. Have a great week!



Matthew 5:44
"But I tell you, love your enemies and
pray for those who persecute you".

MISSION OF THE MONTH FOR SEPTEMBER

CHILDREN'S HOME SOCIETY

CHS is located at 113 N. St Paul Ave- a secured shelter for family safety and crisis intervention. CHS averages 78 people per day with an average stay length of 21 days. New commercial kitchen serves over 950 meals and snacks a week for guest for total of over 40,000 cartons of milk and 25 tons of food each year. Along with crisis housing, CHS offers 24 hour crisis hot line, free counseling, parenting education, support groups, community ed, and rural outreach.
www.chssd.org.

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SERVING AT THE BANQUET

Community will be serving at The Banquet downtown on **Wednesday, Sept. 30**. We need 6 people to help prep food from 2-4pm & 30 people for serving from 5-8pm.

Please email connect@communityrc.org if you can help or sign up on Kick-Off Sunday!

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PRAYER REQUESTS

ONGOING PRAYER REQUESTS

- Sharen Brink
- Daniel Burlingame (liver shunt)
- Tim DeLoof (ALS & blood clots)
- Steve Van Aartsen's brother-in-law & Heather DeWit's uncle, Peter (hospice)
- Meghan Hoogendoorn's cousin (motorcycle accident)
- Bob Van Roekel Sr
- Carolyn Odens (concussion)
- Alvin Hoogendoorn (hip surgery)
- Dustin Schouten (auto accident recovery)
- Rod Sonnenburg (malignant lymphoma)
- Dree Mayer's sister, Charlotte (triple bypass)
- Lloyd VanEssen (bladder cancer)
- Elaine Deelstra (eye sight changes)
- Carol Baker (ongoing eye issues)
- Anna Halverson (seizures)
- Jayne Knockenmus's friend, Shelly
- Kailee Taborda (Leukemia)
- Ken Stellinga
- Jodi Ackerman's mother, Karen (aortic aneurysm)
- Leroy Thill (infant son of Katie & Trevor Thill)
- Gracia Harmsen
- Al Price
- Jan Sturing
- Matt Meyer's fiancé Lynnette's dad (tumor)
- Ellen Nelson Garner (chronic airway disease)
- Brian Frisbee (ongoing rehab)
- Jordan Lipp's mom, Becky (dementia)
- Kristy Mouw's sister-in-law, Mindy (cancer)
- Susan Bierwagen's uncle, Darrell (cancer)

In need of prayer or want to
share your prayer request?

Email Pastor John at prayerline@communityrc.org

FRESH ENCOUNTER

SATURDAY MORNINGS
@ 7:00AM

Join us for prayer on Saturday mornings at 7am via Zoom or in person in our chapel. People can join via video or using the call-in number if video is not an option.

<https://bradymartz.zoom.us/j/87440575632?pwd=RwtTfrMNRbOXcg9KIhabfrdoMWC2Cb.1>
Meeting ID: 874 4057 5632

Passcode: 052482

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Questions?

Call Shawn Blom

605-940-6702





HEATHER'S UPDATE KID'S MINISTRY

Hi Community!

I hope you are having a good "back to school" season, whether that fall transition impacts your days or not. This is a strange year for me because for the first time in more than twenty years, I didn't take a kid to buy school supplies, attend a back-to-school night, or even sign any forms. My youngest daughter went to college, so we had new adventures instead. I've enjoyed all of the different seasons of parenting and found challenges related to each one. So far, this whole "parenting adults" thing is no exception. There are so many things that make me thankful, but change is still hard, even when it is full of reasons to smile.

I know that my newsletter notes are repetitive at this time of year, but we really do need a few more Sunday School teachers and helpers.

We recruit two volunteers for each class so that each person teaches every other week (or an alternate system like every other month, etc. using a schedule the two volunteers set up together) We provide all of the lessons and supplies. They are in the classroom and ready for you.

- We need one more teacher for the 3- and 4-year-old Preschool room. We have a teacher and two helpers who signed up already.
- We need one more helper for the Pre-K class and one for the Kindergarten class. There are two teachers and a helper who have already signed up for each of those classes.
- We need a good roster of substitute teachers to sign on. This is a great role if you aren't able to commit to every other week. When a teacher needs a week off, they send you an email or text, and you can accept or decline to fill in based on your availability.

See you soon!
Heather DeWit
Community Kids
605-336-1475

DOYLE'S UPDATE

MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL

Got questions? Email me!
Doyle.burnside@communityrc.org

SEPTEMBER

2026

CALENDAR KEY

★ HIGH SCHOOL WEDNESDAY NIGHT

☼ KICKOFF SUNDAY

🎀 FIRST DAY OF SUNDAY SCHOOL

● MS • HS NIGHT AT CHURCH

NOTES

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JOIN US SUNDAY MORNING FOR A PANCAKE BREAKFAST AND FIND ME IN THE LOBBY TO CONNECT, HEAR ABOUT THE SCHOOL YEAR, AND TALK ABOUT WAYS TO PARTNER TOGETHER IN THE YOUTH MINISTRY HERE AT COMMUNITY.

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HIGH SCHOOL WEDNESDAY NIGHTS WILL INCLUDE A MEAL FROM 6:30-7:00 FOLLOWED BY YOUTH GROUP FROM 7:00-8:00. JOIN US AS WE CONTINUE THE THEME FROM ROCKY AND LOOK AT HOW WE PLAY A ROLE IN GOD'S STORY.

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WEDNESDAY SEPT 30 - THE MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL GROUP IS INVITED FOR A MIDWEEK KICK OFF. STUDENTS, JOIN US FOR SUPPER, ROOTBEER FLOATS, WORSHIP AND CHURCH WIDE GAMES FROM 6:00-8:00

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14	15	16 ★ HS 6:30-8:00	17	18	19	20 🎀
21	22	23 ★ HS 6:30-8:00	24	25	26	27
28	29	30 ● MS • HS 6:00-8:00				

Mark Your Calendar!

WD-40 (WOMEN'S DISCIPLESHIP GROUP)

Tuesday, Sept. 8

7:00-8:00pm

This group is for women of all ages. Led by Liz Teel, WD40 is a community of women who join in discussions about their spiritual growth and emotional wellbeing.

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HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP STARTS

Wednesday, Sept. 9

6:30-8:00pm

Come for a meal at 6:30pm. This September, we will be continuing the theme from Rocky Mountain High as we look at practical ways students play a role in the One Story found throughout scripture.

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KICKOFF SUNDAY

Sunday, Sept. 13

All morning

Join us for worship at 8, 9, or 10:45am, then stick around for a pancake breakfast served all morning from 8:30am-12:30pm!

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SUNDAY SCHOOL STARTS

Sunday, Sept. 20

10:10am

We'll celebrate the start of Sunday School with donut holes!

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MISSION HAITI SUNDAY

Sunday, Sept. 20

9:00 & 10:45am services

Join us as we celebrate Community's partner school in Haiti! Representatives from Mission Haiti will be here to give us an update. New kids for sponsorship will also be available.



Let's Do GOOD

-EVENT-
POSTPONED
UNTIL
SEPTEMBER 8
due to the villainous heat

MOVE for MH!
TOGETHER LET'S
SUPPORT SOME SUPER KIDS!

8 September 2026
Registration Starting at 6:00 PM

Pasley Park
301 S Southeastern Ave, Sioux Falls, SD 57103

MH MISSION-HAITI
LIFE. LOVE. HOPE. FAITH. SERVICE.



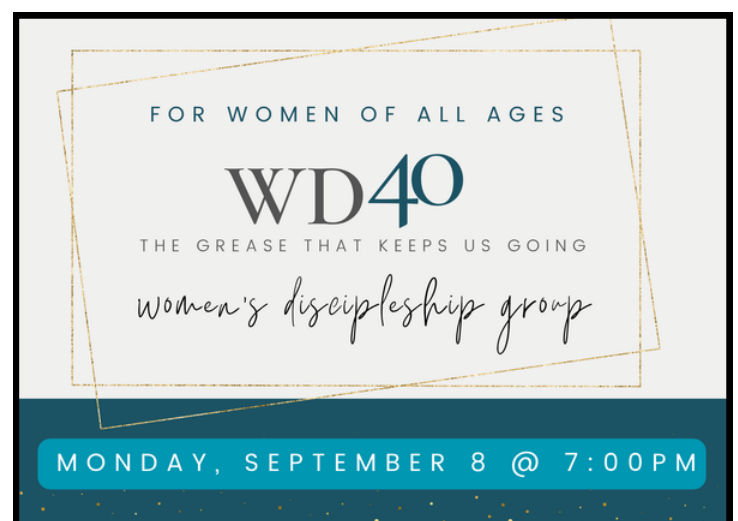
early childhood weekday

Play Free Group

All are welcome

**TUESDAYS
9:30-11:00AM**

Parents/ Grandparents/ Caregivers and Kids
younger than Kindergarten age will join together for
open play time in the Community Nursery as they enjoy time together.
Questions? Heather.DeWit@CommunityRC.org or 605-336-1475



FOR WOMEN OF ALL AGES

WD40

THE GREASE THAT KEEPS US GOING

women's discipleship group

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8 @ 7:00PM

ONGOING MINISTRIES

SENIOR CITIZENS

Senior Citizens will meet on Monday, **Sept. 14** at noon at the East 10th Pizza Ranch. Questions, please call Connie Parmley, 605-275-0030. Everyone welcome!

REFRESH

(College-age/ Young adults)

Sundays @ 6:30pm

High School Youth Room

Join our group chat for upcoming events:

https://web.groupme.com/join_group/107959399/aJVru2FZ

BOOK CLUBS

The evening book club will meet Tuesday, Sept. 15, at 7 pm at the church. We will be discussing *The Seven Husbands of Evelyn Hugo*.

The morning book club will meet Wednesday, Sept. 16, at 9 am at the Bagel Boy on Minnesota Ave near 33rd St. We will be discussing *The Lost Library* by Koslin.

HOPE CIRCLE

Hope Circle will meet on Sept. 15th at 1:30. Barb is the hostess and Donna has the lesson.

FINANCES

Sunday, August 30, 2026

General: \$11,261

Vision: \$225

Mission: \$100

General YTD: \$590,580

Vision YTD: \$38,578

Vision Account Balance: \$4,589

SUNDAY, SEPT. 13

FALL KICK OFF

NEW SEASON, NEW START

PANCAKE BREAKFAST 8:30AM-12:30PM

We're kicking off fall with a special Sunday!

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Join us for worship at 8, 9, or 10:45am, then stick around for a pancake breakfast served all morning from 8:30am-12:30pm!

Be sure to check out the lobby for all of our Fall sign-ups and opportunities to get involved. We'll also be collecting items to bless our neighboring schools! SEE BELOW!

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REQUESTS FOR MEMBERSHIP & BAPTISM...

**If you would like to request membership or baptism, please
e-mail the church office at connect@communityrc.org.
We are doing individual family baptism after the 10:45am
service until further notice.**

NEED GROCERIES? OR GAS?

**Gift cards for HyVee, Fareway & Sunshine can be purchased
every Sunday morning at the coffee bar. 5% of that purchase
will go toward our Vision Fund at church.**

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