



SIOUX FALLS, SD

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Feb 12-18

SERMON SERIES

This Sunday we welcome Pastor Scott Van Voorst from Cornerstone Prison Church as he delivers a message on "Lessons in Faithful Friendship" Based in in Mark 2:1-17. Pastor Steve will conclude his Colossians Sermon Series next week, Feb 23 before we head into the season of Lent.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Offices Closed

Church Offices will be Closed on Monday Feb 17th.

SIMDEL Children's Education Ministry Info Meeting- Feb 16

SIMDEL is grateful to have been selected by the Deacons to receive the **offering to be given on Sunday, February 16th**. We are also excited to share stories of the lives of children and families that are being transformed through your partnership in this Gospel ministry. Families previously living lives of hopelessness to those beginning to dream of a future that had been unimaginable.

An informational meeting will be held in Classroom #2, in the lower level also on February 16th between morning services. As SIMDEL will not be the recipient of this year's Lent, "Give Up To Give" campaign, we humbly ask your continued generous support of this ministry through this offering.

We continue to lift up **Simplice and Delphine Noutsougan** and their family after they lost their vehicle and number of possessions, including numerous items destined for Togo this summer, due to a fire in the garage unit of their apartment complex last week. Efforts are being made through SIMDEL and our church to come alongside them. A GoFundMe page (<https://gofund.me/d482fca5>) has been set up for community support. (Here's the news story published about this last week <https://www.keloland.com/.../clothes-bound-for-africa.../>). Also donations of new/gently used children's clothes for Togo are being accepted at the church office.

We will have Bin in the East Entryway tonight (Wednesday) in church for clothes donations!

Please bring new or gently used kids clothes of all sizes, no winter clothes needed. Small of Med men's, All sizes women's also accepted.

Prayer Warriors for Our Youth! We Need MORE!

The prayer team and youth leaders invite you to become a prayer warrior for one of our High school age students! We have over 70 High School Age Students in our church plus kids that come to attend our youth group! So we need alot of you!

This requires only a comittment to prayer. Each person to sign up will be assigned a student of the same gender. There may be an opportunity to meet with your assigned student at some point in the future as well, but while we are working out the details, we need prayer warriors to sign up! Click on the form below to become a prayer warrior for a High school student or speak to Carol Sponk for details.

Become A Prayer Warrior

Defending God's Family Class

This month's February meeting will be held on Feb 23.

Northwestern College Choir Concert - Host Homes NEEDED!

On April 3, First Christian Reformed Church will be hosting the Northwestern College Choir from Orange City, IA. We are the first stop on their spring tour! As they embark on their tour, we have the opportunity to host them, feed them, enjoy their music, and encourage them as they head out on their tour!

We need several host homes accomodating 2-4 students each, as well as providing supper that evening, then breakfast and a packed lunch the following morning!

Host NWC Choir Students

Senior & Friends

Senior and Friends will meet on Saturday, February 15, 2025 at 9:30 in the Fireside Room at 1st church. Becky Schwartz, Project Manager and Community Outreach Director, at the ALPHA Center will be our guest speaker. Please join us for coffee and doughnuts and show your interest and support for this wonderful life support organization. Visitors are very welcome!

CARE GROUPS

CareGroup Gathering

Care Group 7 will be having a Luncheon on February 23 after the 2nd service in the Activity Center. Soups and cinnamon rolls will be provided.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEALS

Upcoming Menu:

February 12: Chicken/Beef Enchiladas with Mexican Rice

Feb 19: Pizza

FIRST KIDS

Feb 16- This week-No Classes

No Sunday School or Faith Talk classes THIS Sunday, Feb 16, due to the holiday weekend. There **will** be children's church.

Program Practice Schedule for Sunday School-Led Easter Program (April 6th)

Feb. 16th

K-6th 9:45-10:15am

Feb. 23rd

5th & 6th Grade GIRLS 9:00-9:30am

5th & 6th Grade BOYS 9:30-9:45am

K & 1st 10:15-10:30am

March 2nd

4th grade 9:00-9:30am

2nd and 3rd 9:30-9:45am

EVERYONE-10:15-10:30am

***All practices take place in the GEMS room**

WORSHIP

Women's Chorus

Ladies, do you love to sing? We have the perfect opportunity for you to join other women vocalists to perform a gospel rock version of *This Little Light of Mine* to be sung at both services on Sunday, March 30! Rehearsals are March 2, 9, 16, and 23, 10:00-10:25 am in the Choir Room located downstairs. Come join us for a time of fellowship and praising our Lord through music!

HOSPITALITY

Hospitality Team Meeting

Join Us! The Hospitality Committee Meeting is Monday, Feb. 17, at 6:00 p.m. in the conference room. Help shape our new name, mission, and plans for the year! Everyone is welcome.

Order a Permanent Nametag Here!

Ready to order your shiny new nametag? Just click the link below.

👉 [Click here to order your nametag!](#)

Feed the Team: Staff Lunch Opportunity!

Please use the button below to sign up to feed the team lunch (about 12 people) on a Wednesday at noon!

Sign Up to Provide Lunch

A huge thank you to everyone who has brought meals or signed up to bring meals for the staff—we feel so loved (and well-fed) by you! We enjoy every bite. Just a little FYI: You're welcome to sign up with a friend or two and make it a fun community effort if you would like! If whipping up a feast fills your soul, we'll happily help you empty the dishes. But let's be real—we're just as grateful for corn dogs and Doritos. So whatever is on the menu, know that it's truly appreciated.

JUNIOR HIGH MINISTRY

Next Meeting: Feb 23

Our next meeting is February 23 from 6:15-7:45 at First CRC. We will discuss, "What is Profession of Faith", share some root beer floats, and play some group games. Our March 9 meeting will be at Air Madness from 5-7 pm.

CATALYST

Tonight:

Feb 12: Service Night

Seniors - Meals & Care Packages at church

Fresh/Soph/Juniors - Kids Against Hunger - 5:30 PM departure from church

Upcoming Schedule:

Feb 19: Senior Testimonies + Worship/Games/Food/Small Groups

Feb. 26th - Board Games and Sports Night + more

March 5th – Guest speaker to talk about relationships

March 12th – All church BINGO night – details to come!

DEACON'S MINISTRY

February 16 - SIMDEL

SIMDEL Children's Education Ministry aims to demonstrate Christ's love by providing the children of Togo, West Africa with basic educational resources and hope for the future. The ministry wants to create a future where families in Togo do not have to choose between food, shelter, and education due to economic hardships.

Upcoming: Feb 23- Harbor Families

Harbor Families exists to extend the hope, restoration, and love of Jesus Christ to children and families experiencing a crisis.

Offering Totals from Last Week

General Fund: \$ 7,447

Ministry Shares: \$ 2,553

Faith Promise: \$ 90

Building Fund: \$ 65

Tuition Assistance: \$ 150

Cornerstone Prison Church: \$ 2,733

Weekly Total: \$ 13,078

CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, FEB 12

- **Wednesday Night Meal**
5:30–6:30pm
Handbell Choir
6:30–7:30pm
Prayer Meeting
6:30–7:30pm
GEMS
6:30–8:30pm
Women's Bible Study
6:30–8:30pm
Catalyst
7–9pm

THURSDAY, FEB 13- NO Events

FRIDAY, FEB 14

- **Young Adult Men's Study**
6:30–7:30am
Senior Circuit
10:30–11:30am

SATURDAY, FEB 15

- **Men of Integrity**
7:30–8:30am
Seniors and Friends
9:30–11:30am
- **SUNDAY, FEB 16**
Children's Church
8:30 & 10:30am
Worship
8:30 & 10:30am
No Sunday School or Faith Talk Classes
9:45–10:15am
- **MONDAY, FEB 17**
Hospitality Team Meeting
6–7:30pm
Men's Life Bible Study
6:45–8pm
- **TUESDAY, FEB 18**
Senior Circuit
10:30–11:30am
- **WEDNESDAY, FEB 19**
Wednesday Morning Men's Bible Study
6:30–7:30am
Wednesday Night Meal
5:30–6:30pm
Handbell Choir
6:30–7:30pm
Prayer Meeting
6:30–7:30pm
Cadets
6:30–8:30pm
Banner Meeting
6:45–8:15pm
Catalyst
7–9pm

Sunday Worship Folder

Watch Sermons

Submit Prayer Request

Email Church Office

Registrations

Room Reservation Request