

December 27, 2020

Welcome to the Peoria Christian Reformed Church. As we close another year we remember that “Because of the LORD’s great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.” Lamentations 3:22-23 (NIV)

	TODAY	NEXT SUNDAY
Greeters	Adam Fynaardt family Doug & Barb Vande Voort	Bret Fynaardt family Earl & Marcia Van Gorp
Missionary Correspondents	Gifford - Todd Vander Molen; Huyser - Doug Vande Voort; Le Mahieu - Ruth Vande Voort; Vander Wal - Keith Van Ee	
Morning Prayer Team	Tim Franje Mike Vander Hart	Kathy Franje Sandy Fynaardt
Nursery Attendants	a.m. Paige Roos, Kora Kruid p.m. Krystal Lefevre, Caitlin Veenstra	a.m. Carmen Reitsma, Marleigh De Boer p.m. Sandy Vander Hart, Alyson De Bruin
Offering	a.m. Bible League International p.m. Christian Opportunity Center	a.m. Resonate Global Mission p.m. Christian Education Fund

TODAY

Church School and catechism classes will not meet today.

This evening we welcome **Jared Luttjeboer** as he brings God’s Word while Pastor George uses his last of six pulpit relief services.

A time of **prayer** will be held in the basement following the evening worship service.

CALENDAR

Monday 6:00 p.m. Deacons’ Meeting

NEXT WEEK

In the morning Pastor George will return until Lent to our series in the gospel according to Matthew, preaching on **Matthew 21:1-11**.

In the evening, Pastor George will continue our series through Paul’s letter to the Romans, looking at **Romans 11:25-36**.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

In your church mailbox today is a **family visiting schedule** (if you are included in the winter assignments). Please contact your visiting elders if you exchange visits with someone else. Thank you.

The **deacons** will **close the books** on December 27. Any budget envelopes received after that date will be recorded as 2021 receipts. The deacons thank you for prayerfully remembering the needs of our church in your giving.

Budget envelopes for 2021 are available in your church mailbox.

The **2021 Peoria CRC anniversary/birthday calendars** are available on the east basement table. You are welcome to help yourself to one per household. Please consider returning your 2020 calendar to the box on the same table for recycling the paper and for reusing the comb binders next year.

Beginning in January, we would like to have a **Secret Sister for each one of our GEMS girls**. We are looking for adult women of the church, young and old, who are willing to participate for the months of January, February, and March. Your involvement would include a written note of encouragement or “thinking of you” (hopefully twice a month as it is only three months) and a commitment to pray for your GEMS girl on a regular basis. In April, Lord willing, we will have a GEMS and Gals night where you will reveal yourself and meet your GEMS girl. Contact a GEMS leader if you are interested (Richarla Den Oudsten, Pam Klyn, Marla Van Der Hart, Lyn Veenstra).

JANUARY USHERS:

East Door a.m.: Harlan De Boer, Spencer Fynaardt, Byron Vander Molen
p.m.: Ben Bouwkamp, Mark Franje
West Door a.m.: Ethan Klyn; p.m.: Russ Fynaardt
Elevator a.m.: Gary Jochems; p.m.: Glen Fynaardt
Substitute a.m.: Dale Fynaardt; p.m.: Todd Vander Molen

CHURCH FAMILY

Geneva Rozenboom had successful surgery this week to repair a broken hip following a fall last Sunday. Please pray for a smooth and complete recovery.

“Thank you for all the prayers, cards, and messages that were sent to the family of Betty Jochems. She so appreciated the care and concern of members of this congregation through the past few years as her life changed in so many ways. She enjoyed every card and visit from friends and loved being a part of Peoria CRC even when she was not able to attend. We praise the Lord that she can now enjoy health and strength in the glory of heaven.” ~ **family of Betty Jochems**

“Your prayers, cards, and expressions of sympathy were a source of comfort in the passing of my sister-in-law Mary Klyn. *‘Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles.’ 2 Corinthians 1:3*” ~ **Lois Klyn**

“Thank you to all for your outpouring of love through cards, plants, and memorials. Praise be to God for the assurance of eternal life.” ~ **Geneva, Dennis and Teresa, and the Rozenboom family**

SCHOOL NOTES

Peoria Christian School is seeking **facilitators** to serve in our 5th/6th grade classroom Monday-Friday, 10:45 a.m. until noon. We are looking for individuals who can commit to a regular schedule for any one of those days. If interested, please contact Jeremy Copenhaver (principal@peoriachr.org; 625-4131).

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANK YOU to all who have supported the cause of **Pella Pro-Life** in the past by baking, volunteering, or purchasing cookies. Due to the unusual circumstances of this year, we have postponed the cookie sale, but we really appreciate your continuous support for LIFE.

PEORIA CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH
2020 In Retrospect

GOD'S GIFT OF NEW LIFE

May 6 Lydia Lynn, *daughter of Jeremy & Melissa Copenhaver*

BAPTISMS

October 18 Lydia Lynn Copenhaver

PROFESSIONS OF FAITH

May 10 Isabella Van De Kieft

WENT TO HEAVEN TO BE WITH THE LORD

February 9 Leona De Vries
October 18 Henrietta Veldhuizen
November 13 Betty Jochems
November 24 Gerald Rozenboom
November 25 Marion Franje

THOSE WHO JOINED OUR CHURCH FAMILY

October 11 Jeremy & Melissa Copenhaver, Josiah, Ezekiel, Lydia

THOSE WHO LEFT OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Elizabeth (Bouwkamp) DeGraaf to City Life Church (PCA), St. Paul, MN