

September 12, 2021

**Welcome to the Peoria Christian Reformed Church.** We are thankful for another opportunity to gather for worship, to hear God’s Word, and to fellowship with His people.

	TODAY	NEXT SUNDAY
Greeters	Harlan De Boer family Larry & Judy Rozenboom	Bob & Deb Bruxvoort Carl & Melody De Jong
Missionary Correspondents	Gifford - Mark Franje; Huyser - Kathy Franje; Le Mahieu - Erin Fynaardt; Vander Wal - Bret Fynaardt	
Morning Prayer Team	Kathy Franje Sandy Fynaardt	Tim Franje Glen Fynaardt
Nursery Attendants	<b>a.m.</b> Nicki Veenstra, Ben Van Wyngarden <b>p.m.</b> Deb Bruxvoort, Mack Veenstra	<b>a.m.</b> Michele De Boer, Madi Veenstra <b>p.m.</b> Ruth De Bruin, Jocelyn Veenstra
Offering	<b>a.m.</b> Bible League <b>p.m.</b> Christian Education Fund	<b>a.m.</b> Pella Area Teams To Honduras (PATTH) <b>p.m.</b> KCWN

TODAY

Please join us as we **fellowship** over a cup of coffee or lemonade after the morning worship service.

**Church School classes** will meet after the morning service and dismiss at 11:30. Preschool class meets in the church basement; classes for grades K-8 meet in the school; high school class meets in the youth building. Visitors are welcome! Offering: Siem Reap Children of Promise Orphanage (Cambodia)

Please join us for fellowship and a **baby shower for Enoch Lee**, son of Grant and Amber Fynaardt, after the evening worship service.

CALENDAR

- Wednesday 7:00 p.m. Cadets Kick-Off Game Night
- 7:00 p.m. GEMS Kick-Off
- 7:00 p.m. Youth Group Kick-Off
- Thursday 2:00 p.m. Snip-n-Sew Ladies Sewing Day (snacks/supper provided)
- Friday 4:00 p.m. Cadets Father-Son Campout at Lower Grove

NEXT WEEK

In the morning, Pastor George will preach on **Matthew 24:1-35**.

In the evening, we will continue a series of messages through the **Heidelberg Catechism**, looking at **Lord's Day 3**.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The September Council Highlights and various newsletters are available in your **church mailbox** today.

**Family visits** scheduled for this week follow. All calls will begin at 7:00 p.m. and last approximately one hour.

- ▶ Sept 13, L. Roose & Veenstra: Daryl Bouwkamp, Mike Vander Hart
- ▶ Sept 14, Pastor & Reitsma: Ruth Ozinga, Thressa Deur
- ▶ Sept 14, E. Roose & Rozenboom: Mark Van Wyngarden, Jerry Veenstra

Thank you for taking time to reflect on the theme *Living Sacrifice*. Using *Romans 12:1-8* as a reference, what does it mean to be a living sacrifice as you follow Jesus? What is meant by “renewing your mind”? What is God’s will for our lives?

The **Home Builders** invite you to join us for a new season of Bible study and fellowship on Sunday, September 19, at 7:30 p.m. We meet the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of each month and will continue a DVD series "Marks of a Healthy Church" (Lesson 9).

Pastor George is gauging interest in a **pre-profession of faith class**. Please contact him if you have any questions.

**MISSING:** The **DVDs Fireproof and Courageous** have been missing from the church library since May. If you have them, please return them to the basket on the library cart in the church basement. Someone else has been asking for them. Thank you!

We appreciate the service of all who volunteer to help in the **nursery!** You are asked to arrive when scheduled or, if unavailable, to trade or find a replacement. With only two attendants scheduled, it is important that both are on duty, especially so that a youth attendant is not solely responsible. If there are no children to care for, please stay at least 15 minutes to allow for parents to bring their children during the sermon.

**GEMS COUNSELOR NEEDED:** We are looking for someone to help co-lead the 5th/6th grade girls on a weekly basis. If you are interested, please contact Richarla Den Oudsten, Pam Klyn, or Marla Van Der Hart. Thank you.

The Deacons gratefully report that the Peoria congregation's gift to the **Siem Reap Children of Promise Orphanage**, the ministry close to the heart of our sabbatical interim pastor Al Bandstra, totaled \$9,464. We trust that God will use these funds and those we continue to give through our Church School offerings to expand His Kingdom in the distant land of Cambodia.

**ADVANCE NOTICE:** Our offering on September 5 was for **Joshua Christian Academy (JCA)**. During the September 26 morning worship service, we will collect **school supplies** for the coming school year at JCA. A list of suggested needs is included with the Council Highlights in your church mailbox today. We're thankful for this opportunity to serve others by sharing the blessings God has given us.

#### CHURCH FAMILY

We give thanks to God with **Rachel Vander Molen** on the occasion of her 83<sup>rd</sup> birthday on September 9.

"Thank you for making my 91<sup>st</sup> birthday so special! All of the cards, gifts, and well wishes mean so much to me. I am so blessed to be part of such a loving church family.

*'I have not stopped giving thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers.'* **Ephesians 1:16" ~ Tress Deur**

"Thank you for your cards, prayers, and visits after the passing of Teresa. God's love and care shown through your acts of kindness is a blessing." ~ **Dennis Rozenboom**

"Peoria CRC family, Thank you so much for your gift to our ministry in July! We are so blessed by your partnership." ~ **Jon & Trista Vander Wal**

"We thank everyone for your prayers, kind words, and cards following the death of Sarah's mother. What a gift it is to belong to the body of Christ." ~ **Henry & Sarah Vande Voort**

#### SCHOOL NOTES

**PCHS Alumni Night** will be Friday, September 17, at the PCHS home football game vs. Van Buren County. Enjoy an evening of fellowship and supporting our PC football teams. The night will be sprinkled with fun events including prizes and free snacks. Register for your free PC token, treat coupon, and prizes at the alumni

registration table (south of the Eagle Boosters concessions). The PCHS Class of 1971 will be celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> class reunion that weekend and we will welcome them with reserved bleacher seating (Class of '71, please RSVP to Cornie Van Walbeek @ 641-629-0853 to save your seats).

**Pella Christian High School Football Breakfast** will be held on Saturday, September 18, 7:30-10:00 a.m. Join us for pancakes, sausage, cinnamon rolls, and beverages. Freewill donations are for the Eagles football team. Drive-thru orders will be available at the front of the school.

**Peoria Christian School Circle** is selling **sub sandwiches!** Orders are now being collected for two types of subs on hoagie buns: 1) Ham and Turkey with American & Swiss Cheese; and 2) Ham and Pella Bologna with American & Swiss Cheese. Subs are \$3 each or a baker's dozen (13) for \$36. Orders may be placed by contacting a Peoria Christian family, stopping by the school office, or by contacting Nicki Veenstra (625-4244) or Marla Van Der Hart (780-0883). Orders and payment are due by September 17, and subs can be picked up after 11 a.m. on September 24.

**Peoria Christian School** is seeking a full-time 1st/2nd grade teacher. Anyone interested in this position should contact Jeremy Copenhaver ([principal@peoriachr.org](mailto:principal@peoriachr.org)) for more details. Please pray for the right individual to come forward and fill this position.

#### REQUESTED ANNOUCEMENTS

**Lake View Camp** is excited to host the 7th annual **Blazing the Trails 5K ObstacleCourse** at the camp on Saturday, September 18. This year features a new course and several new obstacles! Come explore God's creation on your own or bring a group! Free mini obstacle course for kids! More info and registration at [www.lakeviewconference.com/blazingthetrails](http://www.lakeviewconference.com/blazingthetrails). This is a fundraiser for our camping ministry, and we also need volunteers to help on race day so let us know if you can help!

**FAMILY FAITH FORMATION TIP:** Reflection and Discussion Starter – The Practice of Sabbath: Read Mark 2:23-28 and ponder or discuss the following questions: What would a sabbath that is “made for you” look like? What would be life-giving? What would be restful? What would point you to God? (Faith Formation Ministries: [www.crcna.org/FaithFormation](http://www.crcna.org/FaithFormation))