

November 7, 2021

Welcome to the Peoria Christian Reformed Church. Today, on **International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church**, we remember that every day Christians around the world are being persecuted for their faith. We join the worldwide Church in prayer for our brothers and sisters in Christ who suffer persecution, their oppressors, the nations they live in, those who ignore the persecution, and those who mourn the loss of loved ones because of their faithfulness to Jesus. "You hear, O LORD, the desire of the afflicted; you encourage them, and you listen to their cry." Psalm 10:17 (NIV)

	TODAY	NEXT SUNDAY
Greeters	Adam Fynaardt family Earl & Marcia Van Gorp	Tim & Kathy Franje Dennis & Donna Van Wyk
Missionary Correspondents	Gifford - Henry L. Vande Voort; Huyser - Sarah Vande Voort; Le Mahieu - Sue Van Ee; Vander Wal - Marcia Van Gorp	
Morning Prayer Team	Sandy Fynaardt Carm Reitsma	Mark Franje Frank Reitsma
Nursery Attendants	a.m. Angie Vander Molen, Jocelyn Veenstra p.m. Jessica Van Wyngarden, Quinten Veenstra	a.m. Lynda Veenstra, Marleigh De Boer p.m. Le Ann Bouwkamp, Alyson De Bruin
Offering	a.m. Voice of the Martyrs p.m. Mobility Worldwide	a.m. Christian Education Fund p.m. Global Resonate Mission: Ryan Faber

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)

Home Builders will meet in the basement at 7:30 p.m. (Lesson 12)

CALENDAR

Monday 7:00 p.m. Council Meeting
Wednesday 7:00 p.m. Cadets
7:00 p.m. GEMS
7:00 p.m. Youth Group, Snack ~ Jocelyn

NEXT SUNDAY

In the morning, Pastor George will conclude a two-part series on "Hearing God." He will preach on **John 10:2-5, 14, 27**, "They Know His Voice."

In the evening, we will continue a series of messages through the **Heidelberg Catechism**, looking at **Lord's Day 8**.

Our evening offering will be received for the support of **Ryan Faber's** missionary work with Resonate Global Mission. Ryan recently provided short notice pulpit supply for us on two occasions due to the needs of Pastor George, Charla, and Caleb at the hospital in Des Moines. Ryan and his wife and seven children are now in Zambia where Ryan is teaching in person at Justo Mwale University.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mission Promotion Committee has made copies of ***Voice of the Martyrs*** magazine available on the west basement table for anyone who would like to take one. They may be returned for others to read.

Parents of children in Pre-K through 3rd grade, in your church mailbox you will find a note about songs your children will be singing for our **Christmas Program/Candlelight Service**. Lyrics are attached to the information sheet. Please begin singing these two songs with your children. Thank you!

Second quarter **Church School classes** will begin on November 14. Materials for teachers, helpers, and substitutes are available from your church mailbox or the west basement table. Please return materials from the current quarter to Doug and Barb Vande Voort.

Plan to join us for a **fellowship dinner** next Sunday, November 14, beginning at noon in the gym. Bring hot and cold dishes according to the needs of your family. Beverages will be provided.

Our annual **congregational meeting** will be held on Monday, November 22, at 7:00 p.m. Items included on the agenda are:

- Voting for two elders from the following nominees: Terry Fopma, Mark Franje, Doug Vande Voort, and Jim Warden (retiring: Ernie Roose, Lawrence Roose).
- Voting for one deacon from the following nominees: Carl De Jong and Ken Vander Linden (retiring: Calvin Bandstra).
- Approval of the proposed 2022 budget (available soon)
- Approval of a Sound-Technology proposal (available soon)

Absentee ballots may be given to any Council member or presented at the meeting and will be used on the first vote only. All voting will be done by ballot, and the meeting will not be live streamed. Your participation is appreciated.

OCTOBER RECEIPTS:

Safe Water Int'l Ministries	\$994.25	Teen Challenge of the Midlands.	\$ 851.00
Focus on the Family.	502.00	Dordt University	674.00
CRC Disability Concerns	878.00	World Renew: World Hunger	3,019.00
Benevolent Fund	499.50	Christian Education Fund.	645.00
Cure International	388.00	Building Fund.	1,650.16
Christian Education Fund.	494.00	Church School	105.61
Pella Christian High School	316.35	General Fund.	19,305.00

Monthly amount needed to fulfill 2021 General Fund budget obligation:	\$ 15,959.17
Year-to-date amount needed to fulfill 2021 General Fund budget obligation:	\$159,591.67
Year-to-date 2020 General Fund budget receipts:	\$151,031.48

OFFERING SCHEDULE:

Nov 14 a.m. Christian Education Fund	p.m. Resonate Global Mission: Ryan Faber
Nov 21 a.m. Gideons	p.m. Hope Ministries
Nov 25 a.m. Thanksgiving Offering Envelopes	
Nov 28 a.m. ReFrame Ministries	p.m. Christian Education Fund
Dec 5 a.m. Peoria Chr. Sch. General Fund	p.m. Cary Christian Center

NOVEMBER USHERS:

East Door	a.m.: Bryce De Vries, Terry Fopma, Dennis Veenstra
	p.m.: Carl De Jong, Grant Fynaardt
West Door	a.m.: Jon Klyn; p.m.: Matt Vander Hart
Elevator	a.m.: Jim Warden; p.m.: Doug Vande Voort
Substitute	a.m.: Byron Vander Molen; p.m.: Dale Fynaardt

CHURCH FAMILY

"It is hard to believe that Caleb is a month old! He is 8 pounds and 21 inches long, is making good progress, and has started taking a majority of his feedings entirely on his own. The goal for discharge from the hospital to home is taking all his feedings on his own for a 24 hour period. We give thanks to God for giving patience and grace to our family and good health and strength to Caleb. Thank you for your ongoing encouragement and support!" ~ **Pastor George and Richarla and family**

"Thanks for prayers, words of encouragement, and for help with the harvest. God is good! It's also good to belong to the Peoria congregation." ~ **Norman De Jong**

SCHOOL NOTES

Peoria Christian School is hosting a **Veterans Day lunch and assembly** on Tuesday, November 9, 12:00 p.m., to honor veterans and their families. Please join us for lunch and a short program as we take a moment to say "thank you" to those who have served our country. Please RSVP how many will attend by Friday, November 5, to the office (625-4131; office@peoriachr.org).

The **Peoria Christian School Annual Bazaar** will be on Friday, November 12, 2021, at the Peoria Christian School Gym. This year's theme is "A Thrill of Hope" and Matthew 12:21, "In His name the nations will put their hope." Please plan to join us for a fun-filled evening. Bake Sale/Browse-n-Buy will be held 3:00-6:30 p.m., Coffee Time at 3:00-4:30, Supper at 5:00-6:30, and Live Auction and free childcare at 7:00 p.m. Like Peoria Christian School on Facebook for more information and to see items that will be auctioned. The freewill donation supper menu will include roast beef, mashed potatoes/gravy, green beans, rolls, and dessert. We will again offer "To-Go Meals" 4:30-5:30 p.m. Please contact Suzy Veenstra (780-8856) by 12:30 p.m. on Friday, November 12, if you would like your meals to go. Thank you for supporting Peoria Christian School!

Delicious donations needed! We need your delicious baked goods and confections for the annual **Peoria Christian School Bazaar Bake Sale** on November 12. Your items must be in the gym by noon on November 12. Styrofoam trays and bags to package your goodies are available at school and in the church basement. Please contact Clarice Meinders with any questions (780-0126; glennmeinders@iowatelecom.net).

Your help is needed for the **Peoria Christian School Bazaar Supper** on November 12. A sign-up sheet is located in the school office and on the church basement table for various serving/clean-up shifts and for dessert donations. Desserts need to be at least a 9"x13" pan. No refrigerated or frozen desserts, please. Please contact Suzy Veenstra (780-8856; veenstrads@outlook.com) with any questions. Thank you!

The **Pella Christian Men's Golf Team** is doing a fundraiser for new gear for the spring season. We are holding a Drive-Up Dinner (pulled pork sandwich, baked beans, mac & cheese, and a Bonnie cookie) for a freewill donation on Monday, November 15, 4:30-7:00 p.m., on the east side of high school (no dine-in, just drive up, grab, and go).

The **Legacy of Grace Student Tuition Organization** (LOG-STO) is again actively seeking donations. LOG-STO is in its 15th year of existence for the purpose of raising funds to provide tuition scholarships for eligible students to attend a Christian school. This year the State of Iowa has given LOG-STO an opportunity to raise \$413,264 with a 75% tax credit on all donations to this great cause. You can also increase the 75% benefit of your gift by donating stock, grain, and any possible Required Mandatory Distributions (RMDs) if you are at least 72 years of age. The donation form is available on the Pella Christian High School website (www.pceagles.org – scroll down to the LOG-STO box on the home page). Contact Mike Vermeer with questions (780-8089).