

November 14, 2021

**Welcome to the Peoria Christian Reformed Church.** We are glad you have joined us for worship today. “I will declare your name to my brothers; in the congregation I will praise you.” Psalm 22:22 (NIV)

	TODAY	NEXT SUNDAY
Greeters	Tim & Kathy Franje Dennis & Donna Van Wyk	Bret Fynaardt family Mark Van Wyngarden family
Missionary Correspondents	Gifford - Dennis Van Wyk; Huyser - Bernie Veenstra; Le Mahieu - Dennis Veenstra; Vander Wal - Gretta Veenstra	
Morning Prayer Team	Mark Franje Frank Reitsma	Kathy Franje Sandy Vander Hart
Nursery Attendants	<b>a.m.</b> Lynda Veenstra, Marleigh De Boer <b>p.m.</b> Le Ann Bouwkamp, Alyson De Bruin	<b>a.m.</b> Michele De Boer, Kora Kruid <b>p.m.</b> Ruth De Bruin, Lily Lefevre
Offering	<b>a.m.</b> Christian Education Fund <b>p.m.</b> Global Resonate Mission: Ryan Faber	<b>a.m.</b> Gideons <b>p.m.</b> Hope Ministries

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)

A **fellowship dinner** will be held today beginning at noon in the gym. Visitors are welcome! Please join us for good food and fellowship.

CALENDAR

Tuesday 7:00 p.m. Bible Searchers  
7:30 p.m. The Abide Project Zoom Meeting  
Wednesday 7:00 p.m. Cadets  
7:00 p.m. GEMS  
7:00 p.m. Youth Group

NEXT SUNDAY

In the morning, Pastor Brad Bierma will preach on **Ezekiel 36:24-28**, “Treasure Finding.” We will also have the privilege to witness the baptism of Caleb John Den Oudsten.

Our morning offering will be for the **Gideons**. Today’s bulletin insert explains how Gideons partner with churches with the goal of everyone having access to God’s Word. It also tells how God changes lives. Thank you for your support of the Gideon ministry.

In the evening, we will continue a series of messages through the **Heidelberg Catechism**, looking at **Lord's Day 9**.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.

The November Council highlights and various information/newsletters are available in your **church mailbox** today.

Please check for accuracy and make additions or corrections by November 22 to the **birthday/anniversary calendars** and the **church directory**. Corrections should be made to the lists on the west basement table.

**The Abide Project** is sponsoring a **mass Zoom meeting** relating to the "Human Sexuality Report" that will be presented at Synod 2022. The congregation is invited to join us on Tuesday, November 16, to participate together in the church sanctuary, followed by a discussion. The Zoom meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m.

**Choir** will practice next Sunday, November 21, at 5:00 p.m. This is our only practice for Thanksgiving so please join us!

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 (in your church mailbox)
- Approval of a Sound-Technology proposal (in your church mailbox)

Absentee ballots are available from President Frank Reitsma and may be returned to any Council member or presented at the meeting. Absentee ballots 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.

Our **Thanksgiving Day offering** will be given for a variety of causes by means of our Thanksgiving envelopes. Please pick up envelopes for your family today. Children are also encouraged to participate. All undesignated checks and cash will go toward the Benevolent Fund.

**YOUTH GROUP-SENIOR SAINTS NIGHT:** All who are 65 and older (along with your spouse) are invited to a night of food, fun, and fellowship on Wednesday, December 1, 6:30 p.m., in the church basement. If you would like to join us, please sign up on the sheet in the basement or contact Spencer or Maria Fynaardt by Monday, November 29.

## CHURCH FAMILY

**Pastor Tom and Dar Pettinga** were supported by our congregation for many years while serving under Christian Reformed Home Missions. Their son Neill died recently (<https://www.sytsemafh.com/obituaries/neill-pettinga/#!/obituary>). Cards or notes may be sent to \*\*\*\*\*.

"Thank you to our church family for often remembering us with cards, visits, calls, and your prayers. We are blessed to be part of God's family in this place." ~ **Ken & Arene De Jong**

## SCHOOL NOTES

**Peoria Christian School** is seeking a full-time 1st/2nd grade teacher. This position is available immediately. We are also seeking a 5th/6th grade teacher for the 2022-2023 school year. Anyone interested in these positions should contact Jeremy Copenhaver ([principal@peoriachr.org](mailto:principal@peoriachr.org)) for more details. Please continue to pray for the right individuals to come forward and fill these positions.

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).

As is tradition, the **PCHS Music Department** is selling **poinsettias** for this holiday season. Order forms are available from any PCHS band or choir student, in the school office, and on the school website. Two colors are available (red and white) at a cost of \$13.50 per plant. Orders must be placed by Tuesday, November 23, and picked up on Tuesday, November 30, 2:00-5:00 p.m., in the music room at PCHS.

The **Annual Financial Drive for Pella Christian High School** is being conducted to support the general fund of the school, with a goal of \$80,000. Would you please prayerfully consider a gift to support our mission to 'educate and nurture each student to serve in God's world'? A letter and self-addressed return envelope is available in your church mailbox today. School alumni may also receive a letter mailed directly to your home. Thank you in advance for your faithful support of the mission of Pella Christian High School!

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](http://www.pceagles.org) – scroll down to the LOG-STO box on the home page). Contact Mike Vermeer with questions (780-8089).

## REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dave and Ann Wilson, hosts of Family Life Today, will present a **marriage seminar** on Saturday, November 20, at Grinnell Christian Church. Material presented will be based on their book, "Vertical Marriage." The day will include a bit of worship and large group sessions. Cost for this event is \$40/couple. Visit <https://www.oxstrongmen.org/marriage.html> for more information.