

September 10, 2023

Welcome to the Peoria Christian Reformed Church. We join the psalmist in our desire to worship God. "As the deer pants for streams of water, so my soul pants for you, O God. My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When can I go and meet with God?" Psalm 42:1-2 (NIV)

	TODAY	NEXT SUNDAY
Greeters	Marge Fynaardt & Marshall Fynaardt Bernie & Nella Veenstra	Spencer Fynaardt family Dennis Veenstra family
Missionary Correspondents	Gifford - Kody Roos; Ippel - Austin Roose; Mark & JinHee - Esther Roose; Vander Wal - Helen Roose	
Morning Prayer Team	Sandy Fynaardt Sarah Vande Voort	Tim Franje Glen Fynaardt
Nursery Attendants	a.m. Pam Vander Linden, Mack Veenstra p.m. Angie Vander Molen, Ben Van Wyngarden	a.m. Nicki Veenstra, Caitlin Veenstra p.m. Jessica Van Wyngarden, Madi Veenstra
Offering	a.m. Mobility Worldwide p.m. Sheeppgate	a.m. Christian Education Fund p.m. Disability Concerns

TODAY

We welcome **Pastor Will Verhoef** as he leads our morning worship service.

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 and adult classes meet 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: Luke Roose and Taylor Roose (SE Asia)

We welcome **Pastor Jamie Bogaard** as he leads our evening worship service.

CALENDAR

- Wednesday 6:00 p.m. GEMS Kick-Off at Pam Vander Linden's home
- 6:30 p.m. Youth Group at Dennis & Suzy Veenstra's home (supper provided)
- 7:00 p.m. Cadets Kick-Off Game Night (bring bats/balls/ball gloves)
- Friday 4:00 p.m. Cadet Father-Son Campout at Lower Grove Park

NEXT WEEK

Pastor Will Verhoef will lead our morning worship, and **Pastor Jamie Bogaard** will lead our evening worship service.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Family visits scheduled for this week follow. All calls will last approximately one hour.

- Sep 11, 7:00 p.m., Fynaardt & Warden: Ruth Vande Voort, Dennis Veenstra

Thank you for taking time to reflect on the theme *All God's Benefits*. Using Psalm 103 as a reference, please meditate on the following:

- *What are some of the benefits mentioned in this passage?*
- *What comfort(s) do I enjoy that are mentioned throughout this passage?*
- *What other benefits do I receive from God?*
- *What am I most grateful for as a blessing in my life?*

Classis Central Plains will meet this coming Friday and Saturday at Trinity CRC in St. Louis, MO. Our delegates are elders Glen Fynaardt and Jim Warden. The agenda and appendix is available on our church's website (www.peoriacrc.org). Click on *Resources ~ Classis & Denomination Materials*.

Bible Searchers will begin a new season on September 19. We will continue our study of *Ten Women of the Bible* by Max Lucado, beginning with Lesson 8. Please contact Esther Roose or Sue Van Ee if you need a book or have questions. We meet the first and third Tuesday evenings of each month. Ladies of all ages are cordially invited to join us!

Gather your **pop cans!** The Youth Group will be collecting pop cans for a fundraiser on Wednesday, September 20. If you would like pick-up service, please sign up on the east basement table or contact Henry and Sarah Vande Voort or Suzy Veenstra. Or you may place them in a trailer available near the youth building. Thank you for your support!

CHURCH FAMILY

"Thank you for the cards and other greetings I received for my 80th birthday. We are blessed to be a part of such a caring church family." ~ **Helen De Jong**

"Thank you for your many thoughts, prayers, food, and cards following successful heart surgery, as well as for your birthday greetings. I'm so thankful to be a member of the Peoria church family. May God be praised for His goodness to me." ~ **Rachel Vander Molen**

SCHOOL NOTES

Join Peoria Christian School at Pella Motors in Pella on Saturday, September 23, for the **Test Drive for Peoria** event. Every person (one per household) that test drives a car 8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m. that day will earn \$25 for Peoria Christian School. Please take a moment out of your day to help "drive" up funds for our school. Please contact the office (office@peoriachr.org) with questions.

VAN DRIVERS NEEDED: Peoria Christian School is in need of individuals who can drive our van route to pick up and drop off students. If you are able to assist one or more days a week or mornings/afternoons, please contact Jeremy Copenhaver (principal@peoriachr.org).

All **Pella Christian High School alumni** are invited to join us Friday, September 22, at the PCHS home football game vs. Eddyville-Blakesburg-Fremont. Enjoy an evening of fellowship and supporting our PC football teams. The night will be sprinkled with fun events including prizes and free snacks. Stop by the alumni registration table (just south of the Eagle Boosters concessions) to join in the fun.

A **Pella Christian High School Football Breakfast** will be held on Saturday, September 23, 7:30-10:00 a.m. Join us for pancakes, sausage, cinnamon rolls, and beverages. Freewill donations for the Eagles football team are welcome.

The Pella **Christian Grade School** and **Pella Christian High School** boards will host **discussion sessions on the proposed merger** at the following times and locations:

- ▶ Tuesday, September 12, 7:00 p.m., at Oskaloosa First CRC and
- ▶ Thursday, September 14, 7:00 p.m., at Sully CRC.

Future sessions will be planned at other locations in the region. Please contact Dan Zylstra (zylstrad@pceagles.org; 628-4440) if you have any questions.

Pella Christian High School is seeking:

- ▶ a part-time or full-time **Building Services Associate** for immediate hire; and
- ▶ candidates for our full-time **Head of Maintenance** position to begin as early as January of 2024.

Interested applicants should contact Doug Van Wyk (628-4440; vanwykd@pceagles.org).

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

Men and women are invited to the **Growing Inward - Reaching Outward conference** hosted by the Bible League Volunteers on Thursday, September 14, at Pella Calvary CRC. Hear from keynote speaker Carol Kent as she shares God's Word and her family's story of growing an enduring faith when life sends its worst. Register today at www.bibleleague.org/tickets. (Deadline: September 11)