

**SEPTEMBER 7, 2025**  
**9:30 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE**

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| Prelude                  | <i>I Know That My Redeemer Liveth</i>                          |                 |
| Opening Prayer           |  |                 |
| * Call to Worship        | Psalms 66:1-4 (p. 563)   |                 |
| * God's Greeting         |  |                 |
| * Song of Praise         | <i>Come, All Who Fear the Lord God</i>                         | <b>Gray 240</b> |
| Call to Confession       | Isaiah 55:6-7 (p. 718)   |                 |
| Prayer of Confession     |  |                 |
| Assurance of Pardon      | Isaiah 44:21-23 (p. 707)                                       |                 |
| * Song of Response       | <i>My Hope Is in the Lord</i>                                  | <b>Blue 540</b> |
| God's Will for Our Lives | Exodus 20:1-17 (p. 73)   |                 |
| Congregational Prayer    |  |                 |
| Offering<br>Offertory    | Tent Schools International<br><i>Rejoice, the Lord Is King</i> |                 |
| * Song of Preparation    | <i>The Lord Almighty Spoke the Word</i>                        | <b>Gray 283</b> |
| * Scripture              | Philippians 3:17-4:1 (p. 1140)                                 |                 |
| Sermon                   | <b>How You Should Stand Firm</b>                               |                 |
| * Song of Dedication     | <i>We Are Called to Be God's People</i>                        | <b>Blue 415</b> |
| * Benediction            | Numbers 6:24-26  |                 |
| * Doxology               | <i>Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow</i>                | <b>Blue 814</b> |
| * Postlude               | <i>How Firm a Foundation</i>                                   |                 |

\* *Please stand, if able*

**SEPTEMBER 7, 2025**  
**5:55 P.M. WORSHIP SERVICE**

|                               |   |   |
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| Song Service                  | <i>The Wonder of It All</i><br><i>Because He Lives</i><br><i>Blessed Redeemer</i> | <b>Blue 738</b><br><b>Blue 358</b><br><b>Blue 326</b> |
| Opening Prayer                |   |   |
| Call to Worship               | Psalm 117 (p. 597)  |   |
| * God's Greeting              |   |   |
| * Song of Praise              | <i>Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing</i>   | <b>Gray 501</b>                                       |
| * Confession of Faith         | Apostles' Creed (in unison, Gray back cover)                                      |   |
| Evening Prayer                |   |   |
| Offering                      | Focus on the Family   |   |
| * Song of Preparation         | <i>Grace Greater than Our Sin</i>   | <b>Blue 344</b>                                       |
| * Scripture<br>Canons of Dort | John 10:1-18 (p. 1040)<br>Second Main Point, Article 8 (p. 934)                   |   |
| Sermon                        | <b>The Saving Effectiveness of Christ's Death</b>                                 |   |
| * Song of Dedication          | <i>My Lord, I Did Not Choose You</i>  | <b>Gray 496</b>                                       |
| * Benediction                 | 1 Thessalonians 3:12-13   |   |
| * Doxology                    | <i>Bless His Holy Name</i>  | <b>Gray 627</b>                                       |
| * Postlude                    |   |   |

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September 7, 2025

**Welcome to the Peoria Christian Reformed Church.** We are glad you have joined us for worship today. "Shout with joy to God, all the earth! Sing to the glory of his name; offer him glory and praise! Say to God, 'How awesome are your deeds! So great is your power that your enemies cringe before you. All the earth bows down to you; they sing praise to you, they sing praise to your name.'" Psalm 66:1-4 (NIV)

|                           | TODAY   | NEXT SUNDAY   |
|---------------------------|---|---|
| Greeters                  | Russ & Myrna Fynaardt<br>Dennis Veenstra family   | Spencer Fynaardt family<br>Jayme Veenstra family                                      |
| Missionary Correspondents | Gifford - Jana Rozendaal; Ippel - Nancy Terpstra;<br>Mark & JinHee - Matt Vander Hart; Vander Wal - Sandy Vander Hart |   |
| Morning Prayer Team       | Tim Franje<br>Mike Vander Hart  | Carm Reitsma<br>Sandy Vander Hart   |
| Nursery Attendants        | <b>a.m.</b> Maria Fynaardt, Luke Fynaardt<br><b>p.m.</b> Carm Reitsma, Hudson Fynaardt                                | <b>a.m.</b> Pam Vander Linden, Madi Veenstra<br><b>p.m.</b> Paige Roos, Mack Veenstra |
| Offering                  | <b>a.m.</b> Tent Schools International<br><b>p.m.</b> Focus on the Family   | <b>a.m.</b> Resonate Global Mission<br><b>p.m.</b> Thrive: Disability Access          |

### 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: Christian school tuition for children of Tesoros de Dios director (Andrew & Ruth Ippel, Nicaragua)

After the evening worship service, Pastor David Visal and his wife Neth will present their work with **Children of Promise Orphanage in Cambodia**. Please plan to join us to hear what God is doing there as we encourage David and Neth.

### CALENDAR

Monday 7:00 p.m. Council Meeting  
Tuesday 7:00 p.m. Bible Searchers, Chapter 6, Day 4 (p. 102)  
Wednesday 6:30 p.m. GOLD Fun Night  
6:30 p.m. Youth Group Kick-Off at Dennis & Suzy Veenstra's home  
7:00 p.m. Cadets Kick-Off Game Night  
Friday 4:00 p.m. Cadets Father-Son Camp-Out at Lower Grove Park

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

- ▶ Sep 9, Vander Hart & Vande Voort: Adam Fynaardt, Frank Reitsma
- ▶ Sep 9, Franje & Pastor: Bryce De Vries, Andrew Vander Hart
- ▶ Sep 9, Fopma & G. Fynaardt: Arene De Jong, Jon Klyn
- ▶ Sep 11, D. Fynaardt & Vander Hart: Wynne Veenstra, Jim De Bruin

At our family visits, the elders will be focusing on Romans 12:9-13. Thank you for taking the time to reflect on this passage. Topics for discussion may include one or more of the following questions:

- ▶ While Paul endured several afflictions, even one which God would not take away, he viewed God as the source of ultimate comfort. Have you found that to be true? Have you had opportunity to offer comfort to others?

- ▶ Is it difficult to be joyful in trials, even when God requires it?
- ▶ Which of these admonitions are easiest to put into practice? Which ones take more effort? In what ways could our church family encourage one another to carry out these admonitions?

**Bible Searchers** will continue the study of the promised Savior in the Old Testament through the use of the study guide *Discovering Jesus in the Old Testament* by Farrel and Jones. We will begin our year on Tuesday, September 9, with Chapter 6, Day 4 (p. 102). ALL women are welcome to join! If you have any questions, please contact Sandy Vander Hart, Sue Van Ee, or Jan Warden.

We are looking forward to worshiping together with our missionaries **Dave and Blanca Gifford** on Sunday, September 21. At our morning worship, Dave will show a video, give a short presentation, and preach. A longer presentation will be given during the Church School hour. Then, plan to join us for a noon **fellowship dinner** in the gym!

A **benefit fundraiser meal for Todd Vander Molen and family** will be held on Wednesday, September 24, 5:00-7:00 p.m., at Pella Christian High School. The menu will include smoked pulled pork sandwiches, cheesy potatoes, baked beans, chips, Oreo fluff, water, and pop. Additional information is posted on the basement bulletin board.

#### AUGUST RECEIPTS:

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| Child Evangelism Fellowship . . . . .   | \$871.00 | Christian Opportunity Center . . . . . | \$ 577.00 |
| 725 Ministries. . . . .                 | 450.00   | Peoria Chr Sch General Fund . . . . .  | 2,000.01  |
| Abundant Life Centre . . . . .          | 1,656.00 | Love INC . . . . .                     | 1,345.00  |
| Voice of the Martyrs . . . . .          | 631.00   | Church School . . . . .                | 16.39     |
| Resonate Global Mission . . . . .       | 549.00   | Building Fund . . . . .                | 150.00    |
| Roseland Christian Ministries . . . . . | 512.00   | General Fund . . . . .                 | 11,890.00 |
| Gideons . . . . .                       | 1,190.00 |  |           |

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| Monthly amount needed to fulfill 2025 General Fund budget obligation:      | \$15,702.42  |
| Year-to-date amount needed to fulfill 2025 General Fund budget obligation: | \$125,619.33 |
| Year-to-date 2025 General Fund budget receipts:                            | \$99,966.41  |

#### OFFERING SCHEDULE:

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|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Sep 14 a.m. Resonate Global Mission   | p.m. Thrive: Disability Access  |
| Sep 21 a.m. New Life Prison Community | p.m. Wycliffe Bible Translators |
| Sep 28 a.m. Mobility Worldwide        | p.m. Ecumenical Cupboard        |
| Oct 6 a.m. Resonate Global Mission    | p.m. Hope Ministries            |

#### SEPTEMBER USHERS:

|            |   |
|------------|---|
| East Door  | a.m.: Harlan De Boer, Dan De Bruin, Andrew Veenstra |
|            | p.m.: Marshall Fynaardt, Jim Warden                 |
| West Door  | a.m.: Dale Rozendaal; p.m.: Daryl Bouwkamp          |
| Elevator   | a.m.: Frank Reitsma; p.m.: Norman De Jong           |
| Substitute | a.m.: Bryce De Vries; p.m.: Leon Veldhuizen         |

#### CHURCH FAMILY

We give thanks to God with **Rachel Vander Molen** on the occasion of her 87<sup>th</sup> birthday on September 9.

"Thank you to our church family for the prayers, cards, meals, and support during this time as we mourn the loss of our mom and grandmother. We rejoice knowing that she is whole again with her Savior." ~ **Adam, Erin, Luke, Macy and Noah Fynaardt**

## SCHOOL NOTES

**Pella Christian Schools** will host an information session for prospective Board Trustees on Thursday, September 11, 6:00 p.m., at the Pella Christian High School Library. Anyone with interest in board and/or committee service is encouraged to attend.

**CHRISTIAN COLLEGE FAIR:** Meet admissions personnel, gather important financial aid information, and explore a wide variety of Christian colleges and universities. Join us at Pella Christian High School on Monday, September 22, 6:30-8:30 pm. All college-bound students and their families are welcome. Admission is free. Registration in advance is highly recommended. Visit <https://www.findyourchristiancollege.com/college-fairs/pella-area-ia-christian-college-fair> for more information. Contact Trixanna Wang with questions ([wangt@pcealges.org](mailto:wangt@pcealges.org)).

## REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

Join us for the **Bible League Retreat**, "Standing Strong through the Seasons", this Thursday, September 11, at Pella Calvary CRC. Coffee and fellowship will begin at 9:00 a.m. Be inspired by speaker Twila Belk and enjoy powerful ministry updates, along with uplifting worship led by Benjamin Spronk and the Pella Christian High Worship Team. Don't miss this opportunity for inspiration and connection. Register today at [www.bibleleague.org/tickets](http://www.bibleleague.org/tickets).

**Love INC of Mahaska County** is hosting a **Golf Tournament** on Saturday, September 20, at Edmundson Golf Course. Shotgun start begins at 10:00 a.m. Cost is \$90/golfer or \$350/foursome. To register, e-mail your list of players (and let us know if you need a cart) to [events@loveincmahaska.org](mailto:events@loveincmahaska.org). Questions? Contact Keith Van Donselaar (641-780-6802). Come out, have fun, and support Love INC!

**Love INC's Mahaska Connect 2025** will be held on Saturday, November 8, at Fellowship Bible Church in Oskaloosa. Details are posted on the basement bulletin board. Many volunteers are needed! You can sign up on the basement table or visit [www.loveincmahaska.org](http://www.loveincmahaska.org) (Mahaska Connect tab). Volunteers should sign up by October 12. What a testimony for our community to see the partnership of churches working together to serve our neighbors!

Husbands, do you desire to reignite **romance in your marriage**? Fathers, do you have a **teenage son** you need to have "the sex talk" with but don't know how? Join us at Pella Faith CRC on Friday, October 3, 6:00-8:00 p.m., for a couples evening on "Recovering Your Romance" or on Saturday, October 4, 7:30-10:30 a.m., for a Father/Son Breakfast for "The Not Awkward Sex Talk". RSVP is appreciated. For more information, visit [www.faithcrcpella.org](http://www.faithcrcpella.org) (scroll down to News & Announcements, click on fourth panel).

**THRIVE FAITH FORMATION TIP:** A new school season has begun. The rhythms and activities of a new school year can make it challenging to include space for God in your everyday family life. One way you can do that is by reviewing the "highs and lows" of your day, giving thanks for God's many blessings and asking for God's presence in the midst of hard situations. See Everyday Family Faith ([FaithAliveResources.org](http://FaithAliveResources.org)) for more ways to make time for God with your family. ([www.crcna.org/Thrive](http://www.crcna.org/Thrive))