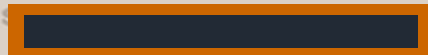


REFLECTIONS

First Christian Reformed Church
Orange City, Iowa

June/July 2026

AND I AM SURE OF THIS
THAT HE WHO
BEGAN A
GOOD WORK
IN YOU
WILL
BRING IT TO
COMPLETION
AT THE DAY OF
PHIL. JESUS CHRIST 1:6



Reflections

Please forgive any errors or omissions. We'd be grateful if you would call them to our attention. Thank you for submitting news articles-without your help, there would be no newsletter! Thank you to the volunteers who help each month.

Members in care facilities:

Prairie Ridge Care Center

Helen Anderson, Arlys Feenstra,
Gladys Hoekstra, Geri Kiel,
Arie & MaryLou Noteboom,
Leona Noteboom, Irene Pennings

Landsmeer Assisted Living

Henrietta Jeltema,
Joan Spronk, Everly Visser

Crown Pointe (Sioux Center)

Marilyn Brouwer

Friendly Horizons (Sioux Center)

Bob Dorhout

Whispering Heights (Rock Valley)

Jake Van Den Hul

Transportation

If you need a ride to a church service or another activity in church, please contact Bob De Jong (712-230-2230).

Hospitality

If you are in need of assistance, or know of someone who is, please contact your care unit deacon.

Upcoming Events

June 8 – Congregational Meeting

June 28 – Ice Cream Social

July 13-17 – RYS Convention

July 19 – Youth Group Presentation on RYS



Media

June 7 – Ryan Van Schouwen, Lindsey De Groot, Greg De Groot, Matt Van Schepen
June 14 – Carson Noteboom, Tyce Van Donge, Jon Hellinga
June 21 – Shannon Schuller, Drew Noteboom, Ryan Raines, Ryan Noteboom
June 28 – Phil Kuiken, Grant De Groot, LeRoy De Jager, Mike Byker
July 5 – Ryan Van Schouwen, Nicholas Noteboom, Greg De Groot, Matt Van Schepen
July 12 – Shannon Schuller, Lindsey De Groot, Gary Jeltema, Jon Hellinga
July 19 – Carson Noteboom, Tyce Van Donge, Ryan Raines, Ryan Noteboom
July 26 – Phil Kuiken, Drew Noteboom, LeRoy De Jager, Mike Byker
August 2 – Ryan Van Schouwen, Grant De Groot, Greg De Groot, Matt Van Schepen

Sunday Evening Greeters

June 7 – SE-Harlan & Linda Ver Steeg, FHW-Orv & Joyce Bruxvoort
June 14 – SE-Grant & Heidi De Groot, FHW-Warren & Ruth Dekkers
June 21 – SE-Alan & Jody De Jong, FHW-Loren & Melissa Dykstra
June 28 – SE-Dennis & Margene Eekhoff, FHW-Matt & Lana Faulkner
July 5 – Justin & Stephanie Hellinga, FHW-Wade & Aletha Haarsma
July 12 – SE-Rev. Jordan & Luralyn Helming, FHW-Brice & Lanae Kroeze
July 19 – SE-Mark & Vi Kuiken, FHW-Bruce & Connie Lefever
July 26 – SE-Josh & Ema McBrayer, FHW-Ryan & Jennifer Mulder
August 2 – SE-Ryan & Jennifer Noteboom, FHW-Brent & Anita Nykamp

Sunday Morning Refreshments

June 7 – Shane & Denise Schuller, Shannon & Bethany Schuller
June 14 – Ken & Patty Timmermans, Kevin & Janna Van Donge
June 21 – Carter & Lucy Van Hulzen, John & Judy Van Kalsbeek
June 28 – Matt & Lindsey Van Schepen, Matt & Karen Van Schouwen
July 5 – Harlan & Linda Ver Steeg, Becky & Shari Visser
July 12 – Tunis & Kathy Vollink, Pete & Laura Zomermaand
July 19 – Nate & Christina Zuiderveen, Mark & Gina Zylstra
July 26 – Josh & Ema McBrayer, Ken & Dawn Beukelman
August 2 – Curt & Pat Ahrenholz, Caleb & Sarah Pluim
August 9 – Ross & Amy Bolkema, Gordon & Patricia Bruxvoort
August 16 – Orville & Joyce Bruxvoort, Mike & Maria Byker
August 23 – Grant & Heidi De Groot, Greg & Angela De Groot
August 30 – Rod & Sondra De Groot, Alan & Jody De Jong

NURSERY WORKERS

JUNE 7 AM-PATTY TIMMERMANS, SHAWNDR A KUIKEN, DEACON OOLMAN
PM-BETHANY SCHULLER, KALEB DE GROOT

JUNE 14 AM-LEIANNA HELLINGA, LUCY VAN HULZEN, CARTER SCHULLER
PM-CHRISTINA ZUIDERVEEN, LAUREN NOTEBOOM

JUNE 21 AM-JILL JACOBSMA, MELISSA DYKSTRA, JANELLE ZUIDERVEEN
PM-AMY BOLKEMA, CLAIRE HELLINGA

JUNE 28 AM-KRISTA OOLMAN, ALLISON TIMMERMANS, BRENN A BOLKEMA
PM-KAREN VAN SCHOUWEN, LILIA VAN SCHEPEN

JULY 5 AM-ANITA JELTEMA, AUDREY SCHULLER, JACOB ZUIDERVEEN
PM-NANCY KROEZE, AYVA VAN SCHOUWEN

JULY 12 AM-SARAH PLUIM, JODY DE JONG, AUDREY ZUIDERVEEN
PM-JENNIFER MULDER, AUTUMN KROEZE

JULY 19 AM-ANGELA DE GROOT, KRISTI REINDERS, BEAU HELLINGA
PM-CONNIE LEFEVER, KYLIE DE GROOT

JULY 26 AM-DENISE SCHULLER, LINDSEY VAN SCHEPEN, CONNOR SCHULLER
PM-JENNIFER NOTEBOOM, PARKER MILLS

AUGUST 2 AM-HEIDI DE GROOT, MARIA NOTEBOOM, ADDELYN BOLKEMA
PM-JANICE HAMMING, HALEY SCHULLER

AUGUST 9 AM-CHRISTINE TERPSTRA, MARCIA SCHOLTEN,
CADEN VAN SCHEPEN
PM-HEIDI DE GROOT, JOSIAH HELMING

AUGUST 16 AM-JENN MILLS, JANNA VAN DONGE, CALLIE VAN SCHEPEN
PM-BETHANY SCHULLER, SOPHIA TERPSTRA

AUGUST 23 AM-LEIANNA HELLINGA, SHAWNDR A KUIKEN, DAWSON KUIKEN
PM-BECKY VISSER, LINDSEY DE GROOT

AUGUST 30 AM-SHARI VISSER, MELISSA DYKSTRA, GRAHAM KUIKEN
PM-JILL JACOBSMA, MADISON SCHULLER

Wood Splitting!

This summer there will be four nights of wood splitting at Ron De Jong's farm (3536 480th St. OC). Each night, splitting will begin at 5:00 p.m. and go until 8:00 p.m. There will be hot dogs served at 6:30 each evening. If anyone want to make some goodies to share with the workers each night, that would be great!

The dates are as follows:

June 3, June 17, July 8, July 22

If you have any questions,
please reach out to Tyler Kroeze.

Bulletin Delivery

June 7 – Brian Kroeze
June 14 – Doug Hamming
June 21 – Gordon & Pat Bruxvoort
June 28 – Arlin & Karen Klein
July 5 – Rod & Sondra De Groot
July 12 – Don & Ruth Post
July 19 – Gary & Anita Jeltema
July 26 – Ed & Ethel Kruid
August 2 – Brian Kroeze

Valet Parking

June – Ryan Raines
July – Ken Timmermans
August – Ryan Mulder

Ushers

June: SW-Justin Hellinga
SE-John Van Kalsbeek
Center-Nate Zuiderveen
Dennis Eekhoff

July: SW-Collin Dykstra
SE-Ken Beukelman
Center-Carter Van Hulzen
Warren Dekkers

August: SW-Josh McBrayer
SE-Trey Kroeze
Center-Pete Zomermaand
Clayton Reinders

Online Giving is up and running!



If you have any questions,
please contact a deacon.

May Council Report

- The elder and deacon nomination process is complete.
- The proposed 2026/27 Budget was reviewed and approved to present to the congregation. The congregational meeting is scheduled for June 8.
- Committee reports were given. An air conditioning unit for the church has recently been replaced. Tiling in the church basement will begin soon.
- The council approved a change to our church's support of missions which will move away from a "Mission of the Month" to a Missions fund where offerings designated for Missions will go into an account managed by the Deacons, to be distributed to the missionaries that our church supports. Additional information will be shared at the congregational meeting.
- The financial report for April 2026 was reviewed.
- Thanks to all who led for our church education year.

In His Service,
Curt Ahrenholz, Clerk

Upcoming Offerings

June 7

AM-Missions
PM-General Fund

June 14

AM-Cornerstone Prison Church
PM-Unity Christian High School

June 21

AM-World Renew
PM-Orange City Hospice

June 28

AM-Classis Student Aid
PM-Samaritan's Purse

July 5

AM-Missions
PM-Building Fund

July 12

AM-Geneva Campus Ministry,
Benevolent Fund
PM-Orange City Christian School

July 19

AM-Bethesda Christian Counseling
Orange City Sack Pack

July 26

AM-Justice for All
PM-Dordt University

August 2

AM-Missions
PM-General Fund

**The second offering each Sunday
morning is for Christian Education.**

Sunday School & Catechism Review

Our students studied a wide variety of materials this year. Three year olds through kindergarten used Great Commission Publications materials to learn about Creation, Jesus' birth and childhood, and the beginning of His ministry. First through fourth grade students used The Biggest Story curriculum to continue their canonical study through the Old or New Testament, depending on grade level. Students in fifth through twelfth grade used Reformed Fellowship workbooks to study, discuss, and apply Heidelberg Catechism questions to everyday life. Throughout the year, Sunday School offerings accumulated to \$100, which will be sent to support our Compassion International child, Santiago.

The three-year-olds through fourth graders presented a wonderful Christmas program on December 14. We understand that grandparents and extended family members cannot always be in multiple places at once. If your family experienced a scheduling conflict with this year's program date or time, please let Sarah Plum or Ema McBrayer know as plans are made for next year.

Step into Scripture was introduced this year as a monthly activity for all Sunday School students. Once a month, students were divided into mixed-age groups and rotated through activity stations including LEGO Bible builds, Bible games, acting and crafts, and card making. Each station reviewed a Bible story while encouraging older students to mentor younger students. To wrap up the education year, students worked together to "chalk the walk" around church with Bible verses and encouraging drawings.

Looking ahead to next year, Step into Scripture will continue as a monthly activity, and an additional family challenge will be introduced this fall. While prizes will be available for students, all church members will be welcome to participate. We are also looking for additional volunteers willing to help lead a Step into Scripture station once per month. Many thanks to all of our teachers and volunteers for their dedication this year. We look forward to what next year holds!

