

ORANGE CITY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCHES

COMMUNITY BULLETIN

August 16, 2026

Denominational, Classis or Community Prayer Requests:

We pray the hope of Galatians 5, that we would "Walk by the Spirit, and [so] not gratify the desires of the flesh... The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control... Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also keep in step with the Spirit." We pray for the ongoing sanctification of God's people here in Orange City, that the fruit of the Spirit would be increasingly evident and practiced by every member of every church. May God so work in us to live out the fruit of genuine conversion, hating our sin more and more and running away from it, even as we grow in joy in God through Christ, delighting to live according to the will of God by doing every kind of good work. (Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 89 & 90)

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Keep denominational ministries in prayer. Call the toll-free number: 1-888-CRC-PRAY (272-7729).

Groundwork - Hear God's Voice: A Warning Against Unbelief - When we feel weary and under pressure, the author of Hebrews urges us to hear God's voice and resist the temptation to drift away from our faith. Join Groundwork as we study Hebrews 3-4:13 to discover how history and community can help us hear God's voice, keep us securely anchored in our faith when we're tempted to drift, and find God's promised Sabbath rest. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com

Coffee Break Community Bible Study will begin on September 16 at 9:30 a.m. at Calvary CRC. The study will be James: Faith in Action. Suffering slides into our lives – sometimes like an avalanche and sometimes subtly. James points to God who gives wisdom to navigate this suffering with joy, perseverance, strength, justice, faith, and purity.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Friday, August 21

11:00 a.m. Unity Christian Booster Club Golf Outing - Join us for a fun-filled day of golf on at the Landsmeer Golf Club in Orange City. Sign up here: <https://pci.jotform.com/form/261544919371160>
Gather your foursome and enjoy a fun day of golf for a great cause. We hope to see you there!
For more information contact: the Unity Booster Club - Emily Moret, Phone OR email: (712) 441-2229 or emily.moret@gmail.com

Next Sunday, August 23

7:30 p.m. All families, teachers, staff and supporters of Unity Christian are invited to join together from 7:30-8:30 p.m. for a Prayer Walk & Fellowship. We will begin in the courtyard, then divide into groups; Jericho Prayer Walk Group & a Traditional Prayer Walk Group. The Jericho Group will circle the outside of the school building 6 times, silently praying. On the 7th lap around the building prayers will be prayed out loud in one accord asking God to tear down any strongholds the enemy is trying to build in our school. The Traditional group will follow a map, walking through all areas of the school while praying for God to build up his kingdom for his glory this school year. *"Arise, cry out in the night, as the watches of the night begin; pour out your heart like water in the presence of the Lord. Lift up your hands to Him for the lives of your children..."* Lamentations 2:19. Our prayer walk will conclude at 8:30 p.m. with a make your own ice cream sundae fellowship! Any questions? Call Sue Dykstra at 360-0650 or 1susandykstra@gmail.com.

Advanced Notice:

Youth Groups: The Annual 2026-2027 School Year Kick Off with Minnikota Youth at Thunder Road is scheduled for Friday, August 28-Saturday, August 29 from 11pm-4am. 11:00pm-11:30pm Check In; 11:30pm-1:30am Outdoor Fun; 1:30-2:00 Devos, Pizza, & Pop; 2:00-4:00 Indoor Fun. If we have over 85 people attend the cost is \$38/person. If we have less than 85 the cost is \$40/person. RSVP (before August 21st) by texting Lee at 712 470 4244...include your name, church, and number attending. Hope to see you there!

--Announcements (2-week limit) for the Community Bulletin are due by Thursday at 1:00 p.m., email: office@firstercoc.org