

Remember in Prayer

Expression of sympathy to Arlin and Janene Van Gorp, and Seth & Amy Van Gorp and family, on the loss of Janene's brother, John Obbink, in Texas.

Randy and Hannah Van Voorst – going to the Dominican Republic March 7-15 on a mission trip to serve the Haitian refugees.

Abe Hibma – traveling March 1-8 on a Spring Service Project with his Dordt PLIA group to work in Montana.

Please remember in prayer Ike Van Berkum, Dot Mulder, Chuck Pfeister, and Dale Kraayenbrink who have ongoing health concerns.

We are participating in a weekly prayer for one Sioux Center congregation. This week please pray for Amistad Cristiana and Pastor Eddy Olguin.

To Make a Prayer Request, please contact your care group elder, Payton Boone (712-722-3697), or the office.

If you would like to receive the prayer line by email, please send an email to: office@centralreformed.org with the subject line: add to prayer line. We will email it to you with each pertinent update. The upcoming Sunday bulletin is also included with the Prayer Line on Fridays.

Notes of Thanks

Thank you so much to everyone that visited, brought food & sent cards & notes after my knee replacement surgery! It was very much appreciated!

~ Phyllis Franken

I would like to thank everyone in the Congregation who sent very nice cards and well wishes to me after the passing of my wife, Kay. And a special thank you to those of you who provided me with some excellent eating due to the great food that you brought me. All was very much appreciated. Even though Kay had been stricken with Dementia/Alzheimer's for several years, it was the sudden onset of Leukemia that took her life.

Thanks to all of you for blessing me.

~ Bob Kraai

Birthdays and Anniversaries

March 9 - 15

March 9 Norma Kamerman
Howard Beernink – 84 yrs
Arloa Te Stroete – 87 yrs
March 10 Gavin Bruhn
March 11 Camden Rens, Emily Vos
March 12 Sharon Boeyink, Taryn Kooima
March 13 Shawn Lyman
March 14 Blake Oostenink, Grace Schuiteman
Esther Wynia

Sunday School Offerings – Diapers

For our Sunday school offerings this spring, we are supporting a new nonprofit called Northwest Iowa Baby Shower. In March and April, we are collecting **Diapers**. There are collection tubs in the narthex, office hallway, or can be dropped off in Sunday school rooms. Thank you for your participation and generosity!

Gridshock – A Film About Sex Trafficking in Iowa

Free Public Showing, **Sunday, April 27, 6:30-8:30 pm**
at New Life Church in Sioux Center

New Life Church & Central Church are partnering to host Gridshock and a presentation by Stacy Besch, Team Iowa. Gridshock is a riveting documentary exposing the hidden and disturbing reality behind the sex trafficking demand in Iowa. Stacy will then share actual stories around Iowa, action steps, what to look for, online dangers, and the and the "seed" of it all.

Parents please use discretion as younger kids may not understand or be frightened by the content. Suggested ages: 10 & up. It is recommended ages 10-14 attend with a parent.

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March 2, 2025

9:30 a.m.

“Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort.” *2 Corinthians 1:3*

Welcome

* Praise

Ministry of Music: All Good Gifts

Congregational Prayer

* Graves Into Gardens

* Come Thou Fount (Above All Else)

Children ages 4-K are dismissed to the Fireside Room for Children in Worship.

Scripture: 2 Corinthians 8:1-9:15

Message: Through the Valley

* Goodness of God

* Benediction

Message: Pastor Jesse Henkle

Central Choir: director Nancy Speer; acc. Minerva Bomgaars

Worship Team: Kevin Marra, Seth Van Gorp, Jaeda De Goei, Erin Vander Velde, Grace Schuiteman, Shari Boone, Minerva Bomgaars, Derek Dreise, Jay Brink, Jeff Rens

Tech: Brian Schmalbeck, Raya Henkle, Jason De Goei, Gregg Miller, Payton Boone

* you may stand as able

We are a multi-generational church inviting a lost and broken world to experience life in Jesus by praising God, growing in faith, encouraging one another, serving all, and sharing Christ.

Weekly Calendar

Today, March 2

8:00 am Worship Team
8:15 am Central Choir rehearsal
9:30 am Worship service in person and livestream.
Pastor Jesse Henkle will deliver the message.
The Central Choir will provide the Ministry of Music.
10:30 am Sunday School for all ages.

Tuesday, March 4

6:30 am Administrative Team meeting

Wednesday, March 5 – Ash Wednesday

6:30 pm Ash Wednesday Service
No regular Youth Activities

Next Sunday, March 9 – 1st Sunday in Lent

8:00 am Worship Team rehearsal
9:30 am Worship service in person and livestream.
Pastor Jesse Henkle will deliver the message.
10:30 am Sunday School for all ages
*Daylight Savings Time starts March 9. Remember to set your clocks ahead one hour Saturday night.

All Sunday School kids 3 years to 8th grade:
Cookies for You will be provided in your classroom or singing area.

Guests and Visitors – Welcome!

We invite you to share a cup of coffee and a cookie with us following the service!

You and your children are welcome to sit in with any Sunday School classes.

Children's and Adult Classes are held on both levels — maps of the rooms are posted, or ask anyone wearing a lanyard to assist you.

Central Notes

Ash Wednesday Service This Week

March 5, 6:30 p.m.

Please join us for an Ash Wednesday service to observe the beginning of the season of Lent. The service will begin at 6:30 p.m. and will include songs, readings, and receiving ashes as a symbol of our sin and need for a Savior.

The toddler nursery will be available and staffed. Lenten Activity Calendars will be handed out at the service. If you can't be there, you may pick up a Calendar (1 per family) at the coffee bar by the office.

Central 101 Membership Class

March 16, 23 & 30 at 10:45 a.m.

This class is open to anyone who is curious about Central or is considering membership. Come learn about our leadership, opportunities for service, education programs and more. Sign up on the Church Center app with this QR code, or you may contact the office.



Invitation to Share your Thoughts

At our January Congregational Meeting we shared about how Central Reformed Church has grown, and our physical spaces are becoming quite full. We believe that Central is moving into a new season of ministry with new opportunities ahead.

As we move into this new season we want to hear from our congregation, and so our Consistory is asking that you take a few minutes to share your hopes and perspectives with this brief **questionnaire**. Thank you for your time and your commitment to Jesus' church and the mission that we share in Christ. You can use this QR code, or the link below, or pick up a paper survey by the office.

https://qualtricsxmnhnq8gch.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_7R69Z5xdkIXRopw



Serving this Week

TODDLER NURSERY: (12 months-age 3, lower level)
Care is provided during the worship service. Parents: please keep your children at home if they appear ill. **Please pick up children promptly** following the worship service.

Today, March 2:

Ryan & Erika Boone family

Next Week, March 9:

Jacen & Timae Saavedra, Sadie Van Gorp

INFANT NURSERY: (0-12 months)

Located at the bottom of the east staircase, Room 112.
The infant nursery is open for parents' use but is unstaffed

COFFEE SERVERS:

Today, March 2:

Before: Kevin & Lori Huisman
After: Harlan & Norma Kamerman

Next Week, March 9:

Before: Dan & Rhonda Den Herder
After: Dave & Ellen Mouw

DOOR GREETERS:

Today, March 2:

Narthex: Grant & Megan Willits family
West: Janet Lammers
South: Vern & Diane Den Herder

Next Week, March 9:

Narthex: Dan & Heidi Hibma family
West: Hibma family
South: Gerry & Julie Franken

CHILDREN IN WORSHIP: (ages 4-Kindergarten)

Today, March 2: Tanya Vande Griend
Grace and Emma Schuiteman, Renn Clousing,
Kendyl Hiemstra

Next Week, March 9: Kari Schmalbeck
Pacey and Izzabelle Willits, Emaya De Goei,
Anna Oostenink

"I'm a Central Kid" Bag filled with a coloring book and crayons may be picked up by children for use during the service from the NE corner of the sanctuary before worship. There are bags for both older & younger children. Please replace at end of the service.