



OUR CHURCH WELCOMES

Morning Worship

9:30 a.m.

Scripture Reading

Revelation Series: Comfort for the Ages

Revelations 1:1-8

Today's Message

The Beginning and The End

Communion Sunday

Youth Education Kick-Off Sunday

2nd Graders Bible Presentation

Offering

General Fund &
Love Fund

Lead Worshipper

Bryan DeGroot

The Weekly Calendar

Sunday (Today)

9:30a.m.: Worship Celebration

Children ages 3-preK will be invited by announcement to go to Children's Church

Monday

6:00p.m.: SRYM 7th -12th Open Rock (The Van will leave Unity at 5:35pm)

Tuesday

7:00p.m.: Friendship Bible Class at ROLC

Wednesday

7:00p.m.: JR. & Sr. High Youth Group at the Rock—Van will leave Unity at 6:30pm

Friday

6:30a.m.: Men's Bible Study

UNITY FAMILY

Thank you to our teachers and helpers as we begin our new Youth Ed season here at Unity! K-6 will be dismissed following the song immediately after the message. 7-12 are dismissed following the closing song. We also will continue with our year-round Children's Church, with kids ages 3 to Pre-K dismissed prior to the message. PARENTS: Please help remind your children that snacks immediately after the service are intended to be shared, not hoarded. Thank you for reminding them to limit the amount of snacks consumed following the service. We are still in need of teachers for 7/8 graders and 1 high school teacher for the fall season. Please talk with Laura Rosen if you are willing to help out!

Sermon Series: We will begin our first season in the book of Revelation this morning. Over the course of the months ahead, we will be taking portions of Revelation and studying them. Our theme is "Comfort for the Ages". The supplemental reference book for this study is "Reversed Thunder" by Eugene Peterson. Our first season in Revelations will cover the first 3 chapters of the book. Please consider adding this to your prayer and devotion time. Let's open our hearts to "hear what the Spirit has to say to the church today."

Commitment Cards: Thank you to everyone who has returned their commitment cards to help repair and update the church's home for the pastor and his family. Your generosity will help make this much-needed project a success! If you've not yet turned in your card, we'd love to wrap up this part of the fundraising this week! Just drop off at the church or drop in the mail. Thank you! - Your Unity leadership

Congratulations to Katie (Brown) and Wil Kneprath who were united in marriage yesterday here at Unity! We pray for much joy and life in this new chapter of your lives!

Sara Ahrenholz has experienced some challenges this week with the pregnancy as she remains on bedrest at Fairview Riverside hospital in the Cities. Doctors continue to report that the baby looks healthy. Pray for at least 7 more weeks of healthy pregnancy ahead of safe delivery window. Continue to lift up Tim and the kids at home as harvest season has begun. If you wish to send cards to her, her address is: Fairview Hospital, #MB 426, 2450 Riverside Avenue, Mpls., MN 55454.

UNITY FAMILY

We express our love to **Jayme and Tim Starkenburg** and their family with the passing of Jayme's mom, Bonnie, last Sunday. A celebration of life service took place this past Friday at Bethel Lutheran in Willmar. May God's rich mercies and grace surround you at this time.

We also express our love to **Lois Cook and Elva Post** with the passing of their **sister, Ann**, this past Sunday. A memorial service will be held at a later date. May God's love uphold you at this time.

Pray for healing for **Connie Duinick's** back.

Randy Slagter (Steve Blom's brother-in-law) is scheduled for a kidney transplant on September 26. **Todd Slagter** is the donor. Pray for God's powerful hand to bring healing and wholeness through this procedure.

The Brown family will be traveling to Florida in two weeks to have a **medical treatment for Jeff**. Sheryl notes: "Pray that God would use it to bring restoration and healing and that He would prepare our hearts for whatever he wants to do as a result, whether it is life-changing breakthroughs, subtle improvements, or nothing at all."

Congratulations to the winners of our First Annual Bean Bag tournament at last week's church picnic: **The Green & Gold Forever Team - Pete & Brenda VanderPuy**. Not only did they win the tournament, their green and gold team won a stunning come-from-behind win later that evening! Congrats! (We'll see about today!)

Pray for **Ang Zwart**, Pastor Steve's wife, as she attends the **Pastor Spouses Retreat** in Calgary, Alberta this week, along with enjoying some personal time with friends in Montana. Pray for renewal and refreshment with this special time away.

The **high school students** of CMCS will be heading out for a **spiritual retreat** next weekend to Alexandria. Pray for God's mighty Spirit to move within the hearts of leaders and students as they spend time together before the Lord.

UNITY MINISTRIES

Today

Greeters

Chuck & Sandy Leininger

Servers

Ben & Megan Taatjes

Pete & Brenda Van Der Puy

Ushers

Pete Van Der Puy

Carter Swierenga

Valet Parking

Darrell Frikke

Sound/Computer

Wilson Brouwer

Isaac Swierenga

Lobby Monitor

Kevin Covert

Nursery

Infant

Merri-Sue Verner

Toddler

Heather Ruplinger

Reagan Swart

Timothy Brouwer

Floater

Carrie Moorlag

Children's Church

3-PreK

Alinda Brouwer

Helper

Library

Ruthanna Fisk

Next Sunday , September 23

Greeters

Darrell & Carol Frikke

Servers

Todd & Cheryl Watnaas

Aaron & Tracey Watson

Ushers

Chad Hoekstra

Caleb Vander Beek

Valet Parking

Jeremiah Slagter

Sound/Computer

Isaac Swierenga

Tom Bruin

Lobby Monitor

Mike Mulder

Nursery

Infant

Jenny Groen

Toddler

Jamie Groen

Allie Zwart

Carene Jean Louis

Floater

Beth Sietsema

Children's Church

3-PreK

Alinda Brouwer

Helper

Library

Heather Nett

Unity Community Family

The **Village Children's Museum** in Willmar, MN is in need of volunteers. If you are interested or have any questions, call Arlene Groen at 320-894-2338.

The **Friesen Historical Society** invites the public to a **Community Picnic and Flag Retirement Ceremony** on **Saturday, September 22** at the Friesen Historical Site, north of Bunde, 4075 140th Ave SE, Clara City, MN. A picnic meal will be served starting at 5 pm. There will be a free-will donation for the supper. Come tour the house, gardens and antique tool shed. The Clara City Boy Scout Troop #269 will oversee the Flag Retirement Ceremony beginning at 6:30 pm. Veterans are welcome to participate. Don't know what to do with an old flag that you have, bring it with. This ceremony is very meaningful. Please bring your own lawn chair.

* Please see Office windows for more information, along with additional events for your interest!

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Sunday,

September 16, 2018



Whoever has ears, let them
hear what the Spirit says to
the churches. Rev. 2:7

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Announcing a very important upcoming event that you will want to mark your calendars now. **Sunday, December 2nd**, we will be hosting a celebration for **Pastor Steve and his family for 20 years of ministry here at Unity CRC**. Dinner will be served! More information will be given later.

Classis Lake Superior, the regional body of Christian Reformed congregations, will be meeting this week Monday and Tuesday in Alexandria, MN. Delegates from Manitoba, Ontario, Wisconsin, and Minnesota will be meeting to pray, learn, and deliberate the work and mission of the church. Our delegates are **Pastor Steve and Elder Marlin Breems**. Pray for the good work of the Holy Spirit to move mightily among the delegates and attendees this week.

A Safe Church Conference will be held concurrently with Classis. The focus of the conference will be on our helpfulness and attentiveness to ensuring a healthy and safe environment for all ages to carry out the ministry we are called to. A couple members of our safe church team plan to attend the conference. Pray for new insights and wisdom for the important element of life and ministry.

Unity Monthly Budget—Giving Update

2018-2019 Budget Giving Update	Budgeted	Actual Giving	+/- Need
Sept. 2	\$6,195.69	\$3,492.32	\$-2,703.37
Sept. 9	\$6,195.69	\$9,251.00	\$3,055.31
Sept. 16	\$6,195.69		
Sept. 23	\$6,195.69		
Sept. 30	\$6,195.69		
September Monthly	\$12,391.38	\$12,743.32	\$351.94
YTD Total (as of 9/9/18)	\$68,152.59	\$62,685.68	\$-5,466.91

October 20th—FEED THE FARMERS!

Please signup in the fellowship hall for the following areas:

Farmers—let us know that you would like a meal brought out to you and how many to feed your crew.

Helpers—signup to help cook, package and/or deliver meals

Donations—food, supplies and/or money to offset cost of groceries needed that's not received. (We will not know totals for these until we know the numbers of



Cadet season is scheduled to open on Wed., September 26 at 6:30 p.m. at the First CRC Fellowship Hall in Prinsburg. All boys in grades

2-8 are welcomed and encouraged to attend. We hope to have a year of fellowship, growth in our knowledge of God and His world, fun times, and learning new skills. Please feel free to contact Eric Van Dyken at 320-905-4489 if you have any questions. For any boys that have completed Cadets: If you have a Cadet shirt at home that will no longer be used, please bring it to the First CRC church office in the Fellowship Hall.



CMCS Retreat—Sept. 21-23 the CMCS high school students have the opportunity to spend a weekend at Lake Geneva Christian Center near Alexandria.

How can you help? First, pray that each one attending may experience a nearness to God. May He have His will. Second, Snacks, Snacks, Snacks. Kids comes with appetites. If you can help—please bring goodies to the CMCS office by September 21.

Would you be able to help financially? Costs keep going up and we are trying to keep it affordable to students. In addition to lodging, we have travel and speaker expenses. Financial gifts may also be brought to the CMCS office. Thank you in advance for your participation.



September 16

Communion
Youth Education Kick-Off Sunday
2nd Graders Bible Presentation

September 17-18

Classis Lake Superior Meeting at Lake Geneva
Christian Center in Alexandria

September 24

Hope Pregnancy Center Annual Celebration of
Life Event begins at 5:30pm

October 4-7

Bob Dykstra Trip (contact Chad Hoekstra)

October 6

Camp GK Bear with Rice Hospice
from 10:00-3:00

October 7

Annual Disability Awareness Service
at ROLC at 6pm

Sept. 1—Oct. 31

1SEED corn maze and pumpkins—all profits go
towards COTP. Facebook@1SEEDMN

October 14-20

Family Promise at Unity

October 20

Feed The Farmers

December 2

20 year Celebration with the Zwart's