SR. RCYF MEMBERS Freshman

Cole Bomgaars, Makai Gesink, Sadie Janisch, Wyatt Leusink, Jeremy Meendering, Karsten Niemeyer, Cozyn Rozeboom, Alydia Sandbulte, Lucas Sandbulte, Tyke Van Kekerix, Marcus Van Voorst, Railee White

Sophomore

Ben Haverhals, Natalie Huisman, Averi Huizenga, Izabelle Klein, Gabby Oteri, Delanie Roland, Julie Sandbulte, Eli Segar, Tikvah Tea, Aubrey Vonk

Junior

Barret Bleeker, Josie Bomgaars, Rylee Bomgaars, Dennie Boogerd, Heidi Boogerd, Jennie Boogerd, Carly Dunn, Ally Gardner, Kylie Harpenau, Kolton Koopmans, Lane Maassen, Jayse Niemeyer, Addy Rozeboom, Tielyr Rozeboom, Addison Terpstra, Kavri Van Kekerix, Lane Van Kekerix, Breckyn Van Vugt, Covey Wynia, Elyse Zwart

Senior

Sammy Gengler, Sophie Hietbrink, Bethany Huisman, Meagan Mulder, Mya Romero, Bryson Sandbulte, Ethan Sandbulte, Shanelle Soodsma, Solomon Tea, Katie Van Maanen, Nate Van Otterloo, David Vander Zwaag, Kierra Wolfswinkel, Hannah Woudstra, Rachel Wynia

Sponsors:

Brad & Kayti Beukelman Barry & Kelly Van Kekerix Trevor & Jayden Pieper Beau Van Voorst

JR. RCYF MEMBERS

7th Grade

Gabriel Lerma, Bryce Meendering, Natalie Heasty, Attyson Prins, Jackson Roland, Akenna Sandbulte, Cobyn Sandbulte, Morgan Terpstra, Tacey Van Kekerix, Brody Van Voorst, Ruthie Vanden Brink, Peter Vonk

8th Grade

Jacob Haverhals, Alli Huizenga, Quinlynn Klein, Karlee Leusink, Eric Luevano, Weston Maassen, Aiden Madsen, Gaby Prins, Aniya Robertson, Ava Sandbulte, Yesenia Santis, Hannah Van Roekel, Tekoah Vanden Brink, Kole Wolfswinkel

Sponsors:

Tom & Edan Bomgaars Dan & Danica DeMeester Matt & Hannah Smolders

CARMEL REFORMED CHURCH



YOUTH SUNDAY

MARCH 10, 2024

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Theme: LOVE ONE ANOTHER

"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends." John 15:12-13

MORNING WORSHIP (9:30)

Prelude: Jeremy Meendering, Addison Terpstra, Hannah

Woudstra

Welcome/Call to Worship: Rachel Wynia

*Worship Songs: "Gratitude"

"Firm Foundation"

Invocation

Presentation of Bibles to 3rd graders by Seniors

Children's Message: Sophomore Class Congregational Prayer: Hannah Woudstra

Message: *Ethan Sandbulte*Message: *Shanelle Soodsma*

Sr. RCYF update: Bethany Huisman, Sophie Hietbrink

"Our Boxes" Skit: Junior Class

Message: Solomon Tea Message: Sammy Gengler

Offertory Hymn: RCYF slide show

(1st Offering for Property Fundraiser for carpet and office remodel)

(2nd Offering for the Sr. RCYF)

(Please pass the Guest Registers during this time)

Message: Mya Romero

Message: Nate Van Otterloo

Cardboard Testimonies

*Benediction/Responsive Reading: Bryson Sandbulte

Parting Hymn: "Sanctuary"

(*please stand if you are able)

Song sheets are on the bulletin tables for those who are unable to see the screen for the worship songs this morning, or ask an usher for one.

EVENING WORSHIP (6:30)

Prelude: Bryce Meendering

Welcome/Call to Worship Aiden Madsen

*Worship Hymns: "I Thank God"

"This Is Our God"

Recap of the Year/Prayer: Eric Luevano

Children's Message: Ava Sandbulte, Quinlynn Klein, Gaby Prins

Ministry in Music: Tacey Van Kekerix, Hannah Van Roekel,

Morgan Terpstra, Akenna Sandbulte, Matt Smolders, Brody Van Voorst

Video

(Offering for the Jr. RCYF)

Scripture: 2 Corinthians 12:9 Weston Maassen

Message: "God's Strength"

Pastor Cliff Hoekstra

Skit: *The Boxes of Weaknesses*

Sorrow/Joy-Addisyn Van Beek Fear/Security-Attyson Prins

Pride/Humility-Cobyn Sandbulte

Greed/Giving-Tekoah Vanden Brink

Hate/Love-Ava Sandbulte Stress/Peace-Gabe Lerma Christian/Jesus-Peter Vonk

Karlee Leusink

*Closing Songs: "How Great Thou Art"

*Benediction Weston Maassen

Postlude: Nora Bohl

(*Please stand if you are able)

"God so loved the world that he gave his only Son" (John 3:16). May you sense that divine love through this time of worship. Welcome. Please join us for refreshments after the morning worship service.

Today our Sr. RCYF will lead our morning worship service and Jr. RCYF will lead our evening worship service with guest Pastor Cliff Hoekstra. We're thankful that God has blessed us with so many wonderful young men and women along with dedicated sponsors and we pray that the Holy Spirit will use them in a great way so that God is honored and we are blessed as we worship together.

This morning our high school seniors will be presenting Bibles to the 3rd graders of Carmel Church.

Guest Register: During the first offering this morning, please sign and pass the "Guest" Register down the row. Once it reaches the end and members and guests have signed, please pass it back to the center.

TODAY

10:45 a.m—Sunday School.

Preschool-1st grade meet in the music room. 2nd-6th grade meet in your classrooms. There is no singing today.

Lesson: "Solomon Builds the Temple"

Sunday School Guide Class will NOT meet today.

Special Congregational Meeting

6:30 p.m. –**Jr & Sr RCYF**

Nursery Attendants: Alyssa K., Nikki H., Addison R., Faithe V.M. <u>Door Attendant</u>: Sr. RCYF. <u>Ushers</u>: Sr. RCYF <u>Audio</u>: Dan. <u>Video</u>: Laura. <u>Power Point</u>: Barb. <u>After Service Greeters</u>: Dennis & Leon (M), Jerry (NE), Dan (SW).

THIS WEEK Monday, March 11

6:30 p.m.—Elders' Meeting. Anyone desiring to make profession of their faith may meet with the elders at 7:00 p.m.

7:30 p.m.—Consistory Meeting.

Wednesday, March 13

7:30 a.m. – Men's Prayer Group 7:00 p.m. — Wednesday Night Activities

Last session of Wednesday Night Activities
Women's Bible Study "Without Wavering"

NEXT SUNDAY, March 17

Nursery Attendants: Amy McAlpine, Ashley Laackmann, Elyse Zwart, Kinlee Wolfswinkel. <u>Door Attendant</u>: John Leusink. <u>Ushers</u>: Adam Nibbelink (M), Eric Ochsendorf (NE), Orlin Oostra (SW). <u>Refreshments</u>: Jared Terpstra, Glenda Van Meeteren. <u>Cookies</u>: Clarice Van Maanen, Mimi Sandbulte, Glenda Van Meeteren, Rachel Terpstra, Rhonda Sandbulte. <u>Special Music</u>: Brad Beukelman. <u>Special Offering</u>: Property Fund.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Uphold in Prayer

Bohdan & Oleksandra Panasovych flights were cancelled. Their new arrival date is March 11. Please pray for safety in travel, adaptation to the United States, and the job search process.

Derek Vande Zandschulp is recovering from surgery to remove kidney stones.

Mission Trip Team as they travel to Croc, Mexico.

VBS Directors as they continue to prepare for VBS.

Kyle Van Ginkel serving in the army.

Keep the *Pastor Ron and Karen Boersema* and the next steps of the continuing process in your prayer.

Praying for our local congregations: This week please be in prayer for God's blessing for the United Reformed Congregation and Rev. Jon Bushnell.

Please help us to help you: When you have an illness, accident, upcoming surgery, birth or death in the family, or other needs, please notify one of the elders or the church office.

"We want to thank everyone for carrying us through Warren's battle with lung cancer. Your cards, words of encouragement, the food brought in, but most of all your caring and your prayers have meant so much to us. We thank God for you."

-Fonda Post, Arlin & Kelly, and Dave & Nicole

"We would like to thank everyone from the bottom of our hearts for the cards, visits and prayers, it meant so much to us to be remembered by the family of God in our church in Carmel. This is a new season in our life! We have had many years of blessings in the past and God has not left us now when life is not as easy! Thank you again!"

-Herb and Alice Remmerde

We will be rearranging the mailboxes soon to keep them in alphabetical order. Please make every effort to empty your mailbox. It would be very much appreciated.

There has been a lot of coats and sweaters being left behind after Sunday worship services and Wednesday Nights. Please take some time to look through them to see if they belong to your family.

Copies of the March *HIGHLIGHTS* are on the Coffee Station.

Articles for the April *HIGHLIGHTS* are due March 24. If any group is doing anything or would like to put an update in the newsletter please get your articles to the church office.

Carmel VBS

Carmel VBS 2024 will be held June 3-7. Join us for **The Great Jungle Journey** as kids will explore biblical answers to questions as they set off on an epic adventure from Genesis to Revelation.

Registration for Carmel members and regular attenders children and grandchildren Preschool-8th grade will be open **TO-**DAY! Registration for the public will open April 1. Preschool registration will not be available to the public.

ATTENTION: TODAY during the Sunday School hour there will be a special congregational meeting. The purpose of the meeting will be to vote whether or not to extend a call to Pastor Ron Boersema.

Who is eligible to vote? Only communicant members of Carmel Reformed Church are eligible to vote.

EDUCATION APPRECIATION SUPPER



Education Staff

All volunteers involved in our education programs (S.S. teachers, substitute teachers, officers, music leaders, Wednesday LFC teachers, substitute teachers and Bible Study leaders, GEMS and Cadet Counselors, Jr. and Sr. RCYF Sponsors, and VBS Directors along with their spouse or guest) are invited to an Appreciation Supper on Wednesday, March 20 at 6:30

p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Childcare will be provided.

A great meal and fun evening has been planned for these individuals and we hope you can come and enjoy this time as we show our appreciation to our education volunteers!!

Please sign up at the Coffee Station in the Fellowship Hall or contact the church office, if you will be attending. Please do so by **WEDNESDAY**, **MARCH 13!**



Sr. RCYF Taco Supper

Silent Auction Fundraiser

Wednesday, March 27 Serving from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Sr. RCYF will be serving Tacos and Ice Cream
For a freewill donation
There will also be a silent auction
Bidding will close at 6:45

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED To Serve at the Banquet

Carmel will be serving at **The Banquet** in Sioux Falls, on <u>Thursday, March 28</u>. Volunteers are needed to help serve the meal. **Sign up at the Coffee Station.** Monetary donations are also needed for the meal and milk. You may put your donation in the box near the sign up sheet. The church Van will be going to Sioux Falls for those who don't wish to drive. Also needed containers with lids (such as Cool Whip or margarine) for leftovers at the Banquet. Place your containers in the box near the church office.

GENERAL FUND GIVING: Offering: \$11,172.00

Fiscal YTD General Fund offering: \$87,517.90

Property Fundraiser Offering: \$125.00 Property Fundraiser: \$163,201.31

"A Prayer For Our Youth"

Leader: As we come to an end of our worship service, we are continually thankful for the support given to us by you, our church family. It would not be possible for us to experience the things we, go the places we go, and minister to the people we have met, without your prayerful support.

We say up this prayer, together, for those who know Him and for those who don't. For those with whom He has blessed our church community and for those not yet a part of His family. Let us say this prayer together.

Congregation: We pray that our teens and their friends would know Your love, Your grace, and Your mercy; that they would be equipped to live whole and hopeful lives.

Women: That they would be encouraged and cared for and that their lives would be filled with the love of family, friends, neighbors, teachers, and others who genuinely care about what is best for them.

Men: Bless them with mentors and guides who help them navigate the challenges of life. That they may be faith-filled by the power of Your Spirit.

Congregation: Lord, bless our young people in this faith community with an abundant measure of Your grace and equip us as church to be a faithful example of Your grace and love to them.

Women: That they would live each day blessed and renewed in the assurance of their faith and that they would know Your truth and the freedom that comes with it.

Men: That they would grow in Your Word and in its power for life and salvation. That these young people would be equipped in sharing and caring for each other within the congregation and out in the broader community.

Congregation: Bless them in their love for others in Christ and through them be a blessing to others.