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Christ's Resurrection
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Holy Spirit
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Graduate Recognition, May 3

Graduates will be recognized on Sunday morning, May 3. Congratulations to 8th graders Ace Reilly, Liam Sitter, Vincent Smidt, and Addison Kruger. High School graduates are Maxwell Weeldreyer and Alyssa Hoogestraat. Nick Rodriguez graduates from STI diesel program. If there are other graduates, please contact Kristi Rops or Sandy Zwart. Enjoy these spotlights on our seniors.

Alyssa Hoogestraat is graduating from West Lyon High School. Her family includes Brock and Beth Hoogestraat, Brandon, Tyler, Rose, Walker, Charlotte, and Oliver. She enjoys golfing, shopping, and hanging out with family and friends. Alyssa has been in volleyball, golf, FCCLA, FFA, student council, and National Honor Society.

Alyssa received gold for all FCCLA STAR (students taking action with recognition) projects and placed top 10 at nationals, won the National FACTS (Families Acting For Traffic Safety) and Teen RSA (Road Safety Assessment) program award, and received \$2,000 for her efforts. She was a Northwest Iowa District Officer: 2022-2023 Vice President of National Programs, and Iowa State Officer: 2023-2024 Vice President of Public Relations. Alyssa has been on A honor and high honor roll all four years and was Junior class female representative and Senior class Vice President.

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Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School will be held Tuesday-Friday mornings, May 26-29, from 9:00 AM-Noon for children age 4-current 4th graders. The theme is "True North: Trusting Jesus in a Wild World." It's hard to find your way in a world gone wild, but we have Jesus—our true north!

At VBS, kids will be shown a rock-solid foundation and will be pointed to Jesus, their unmovable, unshakable friend forever.

Talk to VBS director Shellene Smidt or sign-up to volunteer. Registration forms are in our fellowship hall or register online at www.secondreformed.com



May Committees

Kitchen Cleaning:

Linda Gayken
Kim Geiken

Flowers/Decorating:

Vivian Eitreim
Christina Eitreim

Nursery Cleaning:

Elizabeth Hopf
Nicole Winterboer

May Anniversaries

Gary & Linda Gayken—
May 1

Wendell & Cindy
Timmerman—May 12

Al & Kay Goeman—
May 15

May Birthdays

Dean Rippentrop—
May 9

Lynda DeJong—May 13

Maxine Bossman—
May 15

Dale Dannen—May 25

Gary Johnson—May 25

Each month I try to print the anniversaries of those who have been married 40 years or more, and the birthdays of those age 70 and above.

Please let me know if I miss your special day or if I need to make any corrections to the list.

Kristi Rops

Philathea Guild News *by Susan Bultena*

Ladies of Philathea Guild met Sunday, April 19, after the Sunday church service. We received thank you letters from Union Gospel Mission and Center of Hope for our annual donations.

Throughout the month of April we have collected bicycles for Center of Hope. Gary & Sandy Zwart left their trailer in the parking lot so that people can load directly onto it and they will deliver them early in May, so please bring any that you are able to contribute. The Center takes bikes in all sizes and conditions and creates useful transportation and toys for many people.

Our graduates will be recognized on Sunday, May 3. Sandy Zwart will present the 8th graders with beautiful bookmarks created by Sue Schryvers, and the seniors will be given a personal devotional that Patty Sinning has selected.

The Bingo Party has been set for Lennox Assisted Living. We will be playing Wednesday, June 17, at 2:00 PM and provide treats for coffee time as well. Please check the church directory for your committee assignments, whether you are furnishing or serving.

Keep an eye out for items you can donate in the coming months. In June we will collect for Human Services Center, Yankton, and a list of suggestions will be posted in May.

In August we'll be collecting school items for the children who are in the foster child program. You'll likely see pens, pencils, notebooks, backpacks, etc. go on sale mid-summer.

Finally, we are collecting for the "Rags to Roofing" project at Union Gospel Mission in September, so start bagging up those worn-out items now. No towels or bedding as they get wrapped up in the machine, but most anything else including heavy denims are welcome.

The Nations Have Come to Us! New Roots Ministry Gathering—Saturday, May 9

The "The Nations Have Come to Us!" New Roots Ministry is hosting a gathering for Bible reflection on immigration with founder and former director, Carl Bruxvoort, for stories of immigration from Africa by two board members and for good ethnic foods and beverages.

WHEN? Saturday, May 9, 9:00-11:30 AM.

WHERE? Empower Campus' Community Room, 1915 E. 8th St, Sioux Falls (Park in the neighboring Center of Hope lot at 1905 E 8th St).

QUESTIONS? Text/call Fred Wilgenburg at (605)376-6330.

Youth Group Wraps Up Year

Another youth group year is wrapping up, and we are so grateful for all the experiences, conversations, scripture readings, games, laughs, and "God moments" over the past 9 months! From digging deep during our lesson times to reflect on God's truth, ask questions and encourage each other, to serving our congregations and community through the service at the UGM, caroling, our soup and pie supper and packing meals at Kids Against Hunger - our youth group ministry has experienced God's light and love in so many ways.

It's such a blessing to see growth in our students from year to year, and none of this would be possible without the support of our church family. Thank you to all of you for your prayers, donations, and support! As we conclude our year with a bonfire (or 'pretend' campfire - thank you, wind and drought!), we are looking forward to Rocky Mountain High in Estes Park, CO in July. Thank you again for walking along side our youth group throughout the year!

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Nicole Winterboer 605-553-0788

Senior Spotlights (continued from page 1)

Maxwell Weeldreyer is the son of Marcus & Charish. His siblings are Elsie and Sullivan. Maxwell will graduate from Lennox High School and enjoys fishing, hunting, boating, and hanging out with friends and family.

Youth group, Rocky Mountain High, and the Tennessee mission trip have all been important in his walk with Christ. Maxwell plans to attend SDSU to study finance and business economics.

April Consistory Notes

- May 3 is the last day for Sunday School classes. Teachers will be recognized that day. High School and 8th grade graduates will be honored and a video will be shown.
- Vacation Bible School is planned for Tuesday through Friday, May 26-29, from 9:00 AM-Noon.
- The pastoral relations committee will present a draft of pastoral ministry duties to the consistory at the May meeting for discussion.
- Derek Winterboer will contact families who maintained the landscaping last year and will check on their plans for continuing to do so this summer.
- Brad Zomer, Words of Hope representative, will speak at the June 28 worship service.

Last Sunday School

Our last Sunday School classes for the season are May 3. Thank you to all the teachers and volunteers who make our Christian Education program possible.

Sunday School teachers will be recognized during the Sunday morning service on May 3..

Lawn Mowing

Volunteers are needed to mow our church lawn. Please sign-up on the page on the office door to volunteer.

Thank you to everyone who keeps our lawn, grounds, and building looking nice.

Volunteer Work Days

Help get Inspiration Hills ready for the season at their Volunteer Work Days on May 1-2. From trail work and firewood to painting and garden prep—there's a job for everyone. Meals and snacks are provided. Bring gloves and tools you think could be useful. Overnight stay is available (freewill donation).

To sign-up yourself or a group, call 712-986-5193 or email ihills@inspirationhills.org

Summer Camps

Register now for summer camps at Inspiration Hills. There are day camps, lodge camps, wilderness camps, girls only, guys only, take me fishing, saddle up, and grand camps.

You may register online at inspirationhills.org. Complete a blue camp fee assistance form (by our mailboxes) and Second Reformed will pay up to half your fee.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>3 Graduate and Teacher Recognition Pianist: Diana Smit Greeters/Special Music Coordinators: Tracy & Sharla West Coffee/Cookies: Bob & Karla Smit and Brad & Teresa Smidt HELPING HAND FUND OFFERING <i>Last Day of Sunday School Classes</i></p>	4	5	<p>6 <i>Elder/Deacon meetings at 7:00</i> <i>Consistory at 7:30</i> <i>Lunch—Jerod Z</i></p>	7	<p>8 <i>Bulletin information due by 9:00 on Friday mornings</i></p>	9
<p>10 Lord's Supper Served Music: Acoustic Greeter/Special Music Coordinator: Robert White Coffee/Cookies: Dean & Cinda Rippentrop, Eugene & Dale Dannen, Maxine Bossman MISSION FUND OFFERING</p>	11	<p>12 "Sewing for Others" at 1:00 PM</p>	13	14	15	16
<p>17 Speaker: Adam Hofer Pianist: Judy Schlunsen Greeters/Special Music Coordinators: Jerod & Tonya Zimmer Coffee/Cookies: Hank & Judy Sinning, Ellen Peters, and Steve & Jenny Folkens</p>	18	19	20	21	22	23
<p>24 Pianist: Diana Smit Greeters/Special Music Coordinators: Brad & Beverly Winterboer Coffee/Cookies: Steve & Patty Sinning and Alex & Elizabeth Sinning</p>	<p>25 June newsletter information due by 9:00 AM</p>	26	27	28	29	30
<p>31 Pianist: Diana Smit Greeters/Special Music Coordinators: Derek & Nicole Winterboer Coffee/Cookies: Don & Jill Buckneberg and Dennis & Marilyn Ebright BUILDING FUND OFFERING</p>				<p>Vacation Bible School May 26-29 9:00 AM-Noon "True North: Trusting Jesus in a Wild World"</p>		
				<p>SUNDAY SCHEDULE: Koffee Kiosk from 8:55-9:25 AM Worship at 9:30 AM Preschool-5th Grade Choir/SS at 10:25 AM Coffee/Fellowship at 10:30 AM Youth SS (grades 6-12) at 10:40 AM (chapel) Adult Study Series at 10:40 AM (FLC) Classes Dismiss at 11:15 AM</p>		