# First Reformed Church February 23, 2025

There will be a short Women's Ministry meeting following our worship service.

The Hot Chocolate mix for the cappuccino machine has been on back order for the last couple of weeks, they are unsure of when it will become available. As soon as we receive it, we will fill it! Sorry and thanks for your patience.

Lent Devotionals, 'Savior Servant Friend', are on the Fellowship Hall Table. They begin on Ash Wednesday, March 5.

#### **NURSING HOME/ASSISTED LIVING RESIDENTS:**

Whispering Heights: Adriana Dykstra, Faye Gort, Marilyn Van Holland, Clara Bannick, Joyce Van Berkum, Viola Van Driel, Gerri Reinke. Pleasant Acres, Hull: Ann Jansen, Duane Ver Mulm. Fellowship Village, Inwood: Jeanette Van Beek; RiverView Ridge: Lucy Ymker, Judi Dorhout, Marv & Ella Hoogendoorn, Wayne & Judy Groeneweg, Wilma Schneider.

### **CHURCH SUPPORTED MISSIONARIES:**

Brian and Elizabeth Bruxvoort in AK; Amy and Seung Kim in Bangladesh; Brian and Donna Renes in Sioux Center; Dr. Yohannes Bekele in Ethiopia; Josh & Alison Perkins in United Arab Emirates.

## **Community Announcements**

COMMUNITY HEALTH PARTNERS, along with all Sioux County Healthcare Systema, are partnering up to offer an 8-session weight loss and diabetes prevention program, "Choose Health NW Iowa," with the goal of preventing diabetes in NW Iowa and promoting healthy and informed lifestyle choices. Classes will be on Thursdays from 5:15-6:30 PM at Hawarden Regional Healthcare. Cost is \$40 for individuals or \$60/pair if you sign up with a partner.. To register call Community Health Partners at 712-737-2971 or email <a href="mailto:chp@siouxlandcountychp.org">chp@siouxlandcountychp.org</a>. Register by February 27.

GUIDING STAR Siouxland's Annual Fundraising Gala will be held March 7 at 6:30pm at Terrace View Event Center in Sioux Center. Join your local pro-life ministry as we unveil a groundbreaking announcement that we believe, after years of development, will reshape the future of women's healthcare—creating a culture where womanhood is celebrated and supported at every stage of life. Panelists include Abby Dahl, who chose life at 17 years old, and Sarah Hurm, who underwent a successful abortion pill reversal treatment. Registration information can be found at <a href="https://www.guidingstarsiouxland.org">www.guidingstarsiouxland.org</a> or by calling 712-266-3282.

### DIGGING DEEPER WORKSHOP

- Saturday March 8 | 8:30am 4:00pm at Inspiration Hills
- Register online at inspirationhills.org/deep

The purpose of this workshop is to help you learn the tools necessary for studying God's Word accurately and in a fulfilling way! Learn how to understand, interpret, and apply God's word through patience and prayer in a group setting so you can bring it home to your own personal quiet time. Lunch and snacks will be provided. The cost is \$25 per person.

YOU ARE INVITED to the 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Living Stone Prison Church & Freedom's Gate Church Banquet. It will be a great night filled with yummy food, great entertainment and fellowship! Join us at Bethany Reformed Church in Canton, SD on Thursday, March 20 at 6:30 PM. Please RSVP by March 16, so we can plan on how much food to make. Pastor Dan will be giving a ministry update on Living Stone activities and Pastor Jason will be telling you more about Freedom's Gate Church. We will also hear from a few former inmates how God has used ministry to encourage and strengthen their Christian journey.

### UPCOMING ART OF MARRIAGE RETREAT

• Event on March 21-23 at Inspiration Hills ~ Register online at inspirationhills.org/marriage This weekend retreat includes guided video lessons from Familylife's Art of Marriage curriculum as well as discussion time with other couples and activities that will strengthen marital bonds. Register online to be a part of this powerful weekend. The event will take place from 5:30 PM on Friday the 21st to 12 PM on Sunday the 23rd. The deadline for registration is March 7. The cost of registration is \$50 per couple and \$25 for couples who commute for the weekend.

CORNERSTONE PRISON CHURCH Council, Board and Congregation would like to invite you to our Annual Benefit Banquet on Monday, April 7, 2025 at Trinity Christian Reformed Church, Rock Valley, IA at 6:30 p.m. Doors will open at 6:00 p.m. Save your spot by Sunday, March 30 by calling Trinity CRC at 712-476-5292 or go to our website <a href="https://www.cornerstonepcsd.org">www.cornerstonepcsd.org</a>.

Join us for an evening of praise to celebrate 20 years of God's faithfulness inside the SDSP. A free will offering will be taken as an opportunity to financially support Cornerstone's ministry. We look forward to seeing you! If you are unable to attend, you can send your donations to: Cornerstone Prison Church

To register for this event or learn more, visit inspirationhills.org/marriage

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Or Donate online at <a href="https://www.cornerstonepcsd.org">www.cornerstonepcsd.org</a>