

# My Redeemer Lives

J E S U S I S A L I V E

## THE COMMUNICATOR

APRIL 13, 2022

### PRAYER MINISTRY

Join us for prayer on Saturday mornings at 7am via Zoom or in person in our chapel.

People can join via video or using the call-in number if video is not an option.

Join via phone: (346) 248-7799

Meeting website:  
<https://zoom.us/j/862139432>  
Meeting ID: 862 139 432  
Password: 853781

Call Shawn Blom at  
605-940-6702 with questions.

### MISSION OF THE MONTH

Bishop Dudley Hospitality House:  
The Bishop Dudley Hospitality House offers a warm, safe and secure place to start the road back to a more stable, long-term way of living.

### CLYDE'S ARTICLE

Today the wind is blowing. (Tuesday) I guess more of that is to come in the days ahead. It is a different spring that way. I hear it's going to be a little chilly for Easter. It is one of those years. I am praying for a little rain this week. We could use that. We are all waiting on spring. It is coming. I think.

A quick note on RCA things this week, and then I want to write a brief thought for Holy Week. I feel that Holy Week is a little more important. We are going to have one more informational meeting on April 24th at 4pm. The last one. Then we are going to plan on some times for you to just come and let us know what you are thinking and answer questions. Not to debate, but to get a sense of the best direction. The folks on Consistory want to hear from you. That will be coming ahead too. I'll keep you up to date as to how all of that unfolds. Pray it up folks. We are nearing the completion of all of this. Let's do it well.

Holy Week: We have spent some good moments together at the cross and in the desert. We have shared about the excitement of the people as Jesus neared Jerusalem. They believed their King was coming and a great battle was about to take place. The victory would be theirs at last. It was in the tradition of Israel that Messiah would come and with one wave of his mighty hand the chosen ones would rule again. David's kingdom would be restored. Peace would finally come. That is not what was going to happen. As I have said, Jesus cannot be put in a box. He is not bound by our doctrines or our theologies. He is the world's Savior, and it takes a very different kind of King to win the battle for the lost souls in this world. A most divine strategy will be needed. He will try once again at his final meal with these men to lay out the battle plan. Two illustrations he will offer to communicate who he is and what it will take to get the job done, and then he and they will go to the garden to pray and to wait for the morning to come. The disciples will be resting/preparing for the battle ahead. Jesus will be praying for the strength to surrender, to be made guilty though innocent, to endure the shame and suffering of the cross, to become unblemished lamb of calvary, and to be separated from his father. Only a Savior/God/Messiah can do this and do it alone! Oh, how he loves you and me! God the Father through the power of Spirit will take that kind of love and with his mighty hand roll back the stone to that grave. Sunday will be a new day! Amen!

Sunday is Easter! We'll talk more then, have a great week!

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### MAUNDY THURSDAY COMMUNION SERVICE

Thursday, April 14 @ 7:00pm





Contact Trudi Nelson if you have questions.  
(605) 360-1367 or trudinelson@sio.midco.net

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# EASTER



8:00, 9:00, & 10:45am  
Join us as we celebrate Easter!  
Eileen's cookies provided!



## MISSION HAITI SHOE DRIVE

Boys: All Sizes  
Girls: Kids sizes only

Needed: Close-toed, Dress Shoe, or Tennis Shoe  
Styles we cannot use: Sandals, Cleats, Snow Boots,  
Slides

Drop off at "The Give" in the lobby

## THIS WEEK

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13

No Youth Groups

### THURSDAY, APRIL 14

7:00pm-Maundy Thursday Service

### FRIDAY, APRIL 15

OFFICE CLOSED

### SATURDAY, APRIL 16

7:00am- Prayer Ministry

10:00am- AA Meeting

### SUNDAY, APRIL 17

8:00, 9:00 & 10:45AM- Sunday Services

No Sunday School

### MONDAY, APRIL 18

OFFICE CLOSED

### TUESDAY, APRIL 19

7:00pm- Book Club

7:00pm- Hope Circle (Carol's house)

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20

9:00am- Book Club

7:00-8:00pm- High School Youth Group

## OTHER MINISTRIES

### AA BIG BOOK MEETING

AA meeting via Zoom or in person at the church on Saturday mornings at 10am. Please contact Tom Jacobs (tjstonegate@gmail.com) for meeting access.

### SENIOR CITIZENS

Senior Citizens meet every 2nd Monday of the month at noon at the East 10th Pizza Ranch. **Next date: May 9.** Questions, please call Connie Parmley, 605-275-0030. Everyone welcome!

### BOOK CLUB

**The morning book club** will meet Wednesday, April 20, at 9 a.m. at the church. They will be discussing *The Edge of Belonging* by Cox.

**The evening book club** will meet Tuesday, April 19, at 7 p.m. at the church. They will be discussing *Between Shades of Gray* by Sepetys (1941 Europe not to be confused with similar titles). Everyone is welcomed!

**Hope Circle** will meet on April 19th at 7:00pm. Hostess is Carol. Lesson is Marjie.





Hello!

I am very thankful for the volunteers who made Midweek happen for the kids on another interesting and fun year! We tried some new adventures together and the volunteers were beyond flexible, creative, patient, loving and fun! We are so very blessed to have these women who are willing to come week after week to love on the kids and learn about God's word together. Because of the volunteers we had and their willingness to try new things with the kids, we were able to really explore some fun new options and I learned a lot about what the kids plugged into most. Thank you so much Wendy, Lauren, and Cheryll! I thank God for you often! Thank you also to the high school students who came during our sing and dance time to bring some "hype" with the kids during worship. It was so much fun!

As we get closer to Easter, I want to encourage you to set aside some quiet time with your kids. This time of year can get so busy and as the weather gets warmer, it can be tempting to pack every moment with fun and structure. Remember the need for peace and rest. Even kids need a little quiet time to hear the Savior.

My time in the office has been full lately with planning for VBS, thinking about Midweek and Sunday School for next year, and staying on top of finishing this school year well. It is a good kind of busy, the kind with room to think and breath, but a fun project around every corner. I would love to have some decorating volunteers who want to work on creating some fun scenes for the kids at VBS. I'd also love a few volunteers to reset our Family Adventure Packs and in May, to reset the Sunday School rooms for next school year and VBS. If you are willing to come try those projects, please let me know. Those are projects that can be done in whatever schedule works best for the volunteer. Day, weekend, evening, all at once, little by little, etc.

See you soon!

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DOYLES'S UPDATE

## MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL

Midweek is officially over for everyone outside of the high school week which has my attention focused on summer plans! This summer, the youth group will meet Wednesday nights starting June 1st. The middle school group will meet from 6:30-7:30 and the high school group will meet from 7:30-8:30. Our summer months are a great time for connecting to the youth group, introducing the new incoming grade – the incoming 6th graders to middle school and the incoming 9th grade into the high school group – and for building momentum heading into the school year. While I will enjoy this short break before Wednesdays start back up, I am already looking forward to our first night together this June.

Our high school group continues on for a few more weeks. We will be meeting the last two Wednesday's in April and the first Wednesday in May from 7:00-8:00. One of the big changes that come with a new year is a new incoming freshman class. This year, our current 8th graders are welcome to join the high school group for the Wednesday nights in April. This is a great time for students to connect with the high school group before officially wrapping up their 8th grade year!

Finally, camp registration season is upon us. Whether your student joins me at Pickerel this year or has another camp they continue to go to, I encourage students to attend some camp during their time in middle and/or high school years. For those interested in joining me this year the high school week is June 26th-July 1st and the middle school week is July 10th-15th. High school week is for students who will have finished 8th-12th grade and the middle school week is for students who will have finished 5th-7th grades. If you have any questions or if you would like to register, you can get ahold of me and I will be able to assist.

That's it for this week.

Doyle

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## PRAYER REQUESTS

### NEW PRAYER REQUESTS

- Gary VanDenHoek (toe surgery)
- Susan Bierwagen's brother, Lee (cancer)
- Hen Timmer (congestive heart failure)

### ONGOING PRAYER REQUESTS


- Melanie Oden's uncle, Bruce (cancer)
- Junella Wesselink (fractured arm)
- Marcia Groeneweg's daughter, Rhonda (chemo)
- Randy Grotenhuis' daughter, Robyn (brain surgery)
- Kristy Mouw's sister-in-law, Mindy (cancer)
- Gary Holmgren (stints placed)
- Brian Frisbee (blood clot/ long-term stroke rehab)
- Connie Tiggelaar (hospice)
- John Thornton
- Melanie Sittig's mom, Marcia (broken leg)
- Merlin Klein (congestive heart failure)
- Jenna Hoogendoorn (liver)
- Jean Nollman's brother-in-law, Jim (growth in abdomen)
- Susan Bierwagen's uncle, Darrell (cancer)
- Mazie Boyle (chemo)
- Vi Slecta
- Jan Kreun's dad
- Mike Hays (cancer/surgery recovery)
- Jim Halling (cancer)
- Lexi Valentine (auto-immune disease)
- Randi Van Der Sloot (cancer treatments)
- Spring & Tony
- Jodie Jensen (cancer treatments/heart)
- Darla Anderson's friend, Vonnie (cancer)
- Connie Saathoff's brother, Russ (cancer)
- Ann DeYoung (dialysis)
- Marv Sturing (cancer)
- Tracee Ellwein's dad (skin & muscle graft)
- Kim Becker's mother-in-law, Amy (cancer)
- Ellen Nelson (chronic airway disease)
- Tami Boyle's dad (prostate cancer)
- Gary Jensen (cancer)
- Tami Harm's cousin (colon cancer)

### CONDOLENCES

Our condolences go out to Jim Fisher and his family on the death of his brother. Please keep them all in your prayers.

### CARDS FOR NURSING CENTER & DAYCARES

If you have used greeting cards, you can drop them off at The Give.



LIZ'S UPDATE

# ADULT DISCIPLESHIP & WORSHIP

As we move through Easter week, please keep in mind our upcoming schedule of events and ministries at Community! These dates are only through June. ☺

April 14 - Maundy Thursday Communion Service 7:00pm  
April 17 - Easter Sunday. Regular service times 8:00am, 9:00am, 10:45am  
May 1 - Last Day of Sunday School  
May 18 - Discipleship Training Session #1 6:30pm  
May 25 - Discipleship Training Session #2 6:30pm  
June 1 - Discipleship Training Session #3 6:30pm  
June 8 - Discipleship Training Session #4 6:30pm  
June 15 - Discipleship Training Session #5 6:30 pm  
June 20-23 - VBS!

If you saw those Discipleship Training Session times and were wondering more about them, let me fill you in! Jon Harmsen works full-time for CRU ministries, and he has put together a FREE 10-session course for any adults who are interested in topics such as why our personal story matters when sharing the Gospel, how we can reach those in our neighborhoods, how to share the Gospel with those we encounter, and how we can continue to grow in our own relationships with God and others. Jon will be teaching here at Community, each session will be one hour long, and sessions will run from 6:30pm-7:30pm (just like Mid-Week!). If you have ever wanted to learn more about how to share the Gospel, I strongly encourage you to check your schedules and attend as many of these sessions as you can. If you have any questions, please contact Jon at [jon.harmsen@cru.org](mailto:jon.harmsen@cru.org).

Thanks to everyone who helped make Mid-Week a success this year! It was great to wrap up our time together last week with pizza and a night of praise and worship. It takes a huge number of volunteers to keep everything on track. And I know many of you work behind the scenes to make that ministry happen. I see you! And I'm thankful for each and every one of you!

The DMV group for men is coming together! At this point, it looks like we'll get started with our first gathering in early September. I'll keep you posted!

Blessings on this Holy week, friends.

Liz

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## FINANCES

Sunday, April 10, 2022

General: \$9,315  
Vision: \$830  
Missions: \$135  
Wed. Night: \$460

General YTD: \$227,910  
Vision YTD: \$22,373  
Vision Account Balance: \$42,201



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**REQUESTS FOR MEMBERSHIP & BAPTISM...**

**If you would like to request membership or baptism, please  
e-mail the church office at [connect@communityrc.org](mailto:connect@communityrc.org).  
We are doing individual family baptism after the 10:45am  
service until further notice.**

**NEED GROCERIES? OR GAS?**

**Gift cards for HyVee, Fareway & Sunshine can be purchased  
every Sunday morning at the coffee bar. 5% of that purchase  
will go toward our Vision Fund at church.**

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