



# Worship in the Park

## MAURICE CITY PARK

Join us for our annual Outdoor Worship Service at the Maurice City Park on July 5th as we gather for worship, fellowship, and a chance to enjoy God's wonderful creation. Don't forget to bring a lawn chair and invite a friend! A BBQ picnic will follow the service.

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**JULY 5, 2026**

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**WORSHIP BEGINS AT 10:00 AM**

Fellowship time will follow worship,  
with the BBQ picnic happening at 11:30

# CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

## JULY NURSERY SCHEDULE

<b>JULY 5</b>	No Nursery – Worship in the Park
<b>JULY 12</b>	Casie Lethcoe, Joslyn Vis
<b>JULY 19</b>	Heather & Khloe Hofmeyer
<b>JULY 26</b>	Sharon Vermeer, Zoe Vermeer

## JULY PRAYER SCHEDULE

<b>JULY 5</b>	Nancy Mouw
<b>JULY 12</b>	Judy Vlietstra
<b>JULY 19</b>	Lisa Smit
<b>JULY 26</b>	Charlene Oolman

## JULY OVER 80 BIRTHDAYS

<p><b>Marlene De Jager</b> Turns 87 on July 7</p> <p>Crown Pointe 1400 7<sup>th</sup> Ave SE, #415 Hickory Sioux Center, IA 51250</p>	<p><b>Joan Vander Schaaf</b> Turns 90 on July 30</p> <p>Crown Pointe 1400 7<sup>th</sup> Ave SE, Apt 404 Sioux Center, IA 51250</p>
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## SUMMER OPEN HOURS

<b>MON-THU</b>	8:00 AM – 4:00 PM
<b>FRIDAY</b>	8:00 AM – 12:00 PM
<b>SATURDAY</b>	Closed
<b>SUNDAY</b>	6:30 AM – 8:00 PM

## PREVIOUS HOSPITALIZATIONS & ONGOING HEALTH CONCERNS

- Daryl De Groot, Marlene De Jager, Evelyn De Vries, Dale Grasmeyer, Gloria Feenstra, Jim Feenstra, Ruth Heidebrink, Wanda Hofmeyer, Debbie Hubers, Amy Muth, Leroy Punt, Carrie Vander Schaaf, Liv Van Gelder, Norm & Marge Van Ommeren

## CONGRATULATIONS

- Congratulations to **Derrike & Samantha Suckow** on the birth of their baby girl, **Brynleigh Rose**, born on June 16. She was welcomed home by big brother, Wesley.

## SYMPATHIES

- We extend our sympathies to **Dan Zevenbergen** and all family and loved ones with the passing of Linda.
- We extend our sympathies to **Wanda Kuiken and family** with the passing of her brother-in-law, Ike Huizenga.

## THANK YOU NOTES

- **Don & Elvera Van Horssen** – “Thank you for the cards and phone calls we received for our 65<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. It was very much appreciated and made our day special. Blessings to all!”
- **Grandma Wanda** – “I would like to thank everyone for the cards, prayers, sympathy, hugs, and expressions of love following the passing of my brother-in-law, Ike. Your kindness, support, and encouragement during this difficult time have meant so much to me. Thank you for surrounding me with your care and for keeping us all in your prayers.”



# CONSISTORY REPORT

## CONSISTORY MEETING NOTES JUNE 15, 2026

- Pastor Jeremy called the meeting to order. He then led us in devotions. He read from 1 Timothy 3. He then talked about how Elders and Deacons are to be leaders and how to conduct themselves as they are the leaders of the church.
- We then moved to our Core Value #9. There were various stories shared on how people walk with others through their needs and challenges.
- We then moved to electing people to the various offices of the consistory. The members of the 2026-2027 consistory are the only ones to vote. After nominating and voting:
  - Vice President - Shane Walter
  - Clerk - Marc Scheitler
  - Chairman of Deacons - Adam Maassen
  - Treasurer - Eric Cleveringa
- We then moved to our financial reports
  - M/S/C to approve financial reports as given
- It has been decided to move our consistory meeting night to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month.
- It was then shared with the new members of consistory of some of the things that the previous consistory has been working on and what is coming in the future.
- We then moved to our Core Value Team times where new members were brought up to speed of what the various teams are working on and who will be taking the retiring members spots and what their responsibilities will be.
  - Congregational Care point person will be Lee Maassen. It was also shared they are still looking for a few care givers for those that are not in a Life Group at this time.
  - Discipleship Team point person is Marc Scheitler. It was shared that the Elders gave an appreciation supper for the Youth Leaders as they stepped up in a big way this past year without a Youth Pastor and thanked them for their big contribution to the Youth program. It was also shared that Pastor Jeremy is meeting with Karlee Hofmeyer and Tegegn Smit every Tuesday as they will be interning again this summer to help with youth programs. Karlee will also be helping out this coming year with the youth to help with the youth programs 5-10 hours per week as we are still looking for a Youth Pastor. VBS went very well again this year. Thanks to all volunteers and especially the leaders. Do have some applicants for Youth Pastor and will be interviewing in the future.
  - Service/Mission point person is Nick Van Oort. Decided to change summer open church hours to Monday through Thursday 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Friday 8:00 AM to noon, Saturday closed, and Sunday 6:30 AM to 8:00 PM. Reason is to make sure adults are in facility during these times. Discussed booking propane for this coming winter. Bus hit a deer.
  - Worship Team point person is Michael Vander Schaaf. They are promoting our 4<sup>th</sup> of July Service in the Park. They are running point people for the meal in the park.
  - Admin Team point person is Shane Walter. They shared with new members on pre-prayer times on Sunday mornings.
- M/S/C to approve minutes as read
- M/S/C to adjourn after prayer over outgoing consistory members

### Admin Team

Eric Cleveringa, Adam Maassen, Steve Vis, Shane Walter, Pastor Jeremy

### Congregational Life Team

Phil Dykstra, Matt Kleyer, Joel Leusink, Lee Maassen, Bryan Van Gelder

### Discipleship Team

Evan Grotenhuis, Blaine Reuter, Travis Rozeboom, Marc Scheitler, Bonnie Wolf, Youth

### Service/Mission Team

Mike Klemme, Brian Oolman, Nick Van Oort, Roger De Weerd

### Worship Team

Dan Bruxvoort, Justin Schrock, Michael Vander Schaaf, Dwight Vaught, Pastor Jeremy

# YOUTH MINISTRIES

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“BY THE SWEAT OF YOUR FACE YOU SHALL EAT BREAD, TILL YOU RETURN TO THE GROUND, FOR OUT OF IT YOU WERE TAKEN; FOR YOU ARE DUST, AND TO DUST YOU SHALL RETURN.” GEN. 3:19



## **JR. GAP UPCOMING DATES**

Des Moines Mission Trip – July 5–9  
Omaha Zoo Outing – July 19

## **SR. HIGH UPCOMING DATES**

Omaha Zoo Outing – July 19  
Rocky Mountain High – July 25–29

## **JR. GAP JULY BIRTHDAYS**

Carter Dykstra – July 2  
Sofia Licona – July 6  
Kendra Wynia – July 17  
Olivia Klemme – July 24

## **SR. HIGH JULY BIRTHDAYS**

Asaiah Smit – July 8  
Alex Aberson – July 12  
Ava Klemme – July 18  
Joel Dekkers – July 19  
Sloan Riibe – July 26

**2026–2027 Youth Group Registration** – As we prepare for the upcoming youth group year, we are asking all students and families to complete our Youth Group registration form! This helps us make sure we have up-to-date contact information and allows us to stay connected with you throughout the year with important updates, events, and opportunities. Please use the QR code to sign up and complete the registration form. We encourage everyone to register as soon as possible so we can gather information before the school year begins. Thank you for your help & cooperation with this!



**Summer Get-Togethers** – We are so thankful for all that have attended our summer get-togethers and the relationships and memories that have been made so far! Just a reminder: incoming 6th graders and 2026 graduated seniors are welcome to all these gatherings throughout the summer. We are excited to continue these and make even more memories. We are planning a trip to the Omaha Zoo for July 19 and want to make sure we can include everyone and be prepared. If you are available and plan to attend this youth summer get-together, please reach out to Karlee/Tegegn at [youth@mauricereformed.org](mailto:youth@mauricereformed.org) or (712) 449-7887.

**Jr. GAP Mission Trip – July 5–9 – Des Moines, IA** – We are excited to go on Urban Plunge in Des Moines at the beginning of this month. We will be doing various missions throughout Des Moines as well as time together with just our youth group. We are excited to create new relationships and deepen already existing friendships. There are 24 students signed up to go along with 5 leaders: Aaron Maassen, Jenn Leusink, Eric Oolman, Jess Oolman, and Karlee Hofmeyer. Please continue to be in prayer for our group as we be the hands and feet of Jesus in Des Moines.



**Rocky Mountain High – July 25–29, 2026** – We are excited to attend Rocky Mountain High together this summer! The theme this year is "One Story" which asserts that the four Gospels, despite their varied perspectives, present a single, unified narrative centered on Jesus. This singular story is the central thread that runs throughout the entire Bible, connecting and giving meaning to all of our individual lives. Continue to look for updates from Jess Oolman (712) 360-0143 and make sure to have your payments in to Jess or Julie as soon as possible if you have not paid yet.

**Youth Instagram** – We are excited to launch a new Instagram page for our Youth Ministry! This page will be a great way for students and parents to stay informed about upcoming events, service opportunities, announcements, and other activities throughout the year. Be sure to follow along so you don't miss out on what's happening in our youth program! **Follow us on Instagram: @mrc\_youth712**



2026 VBS AT MRC

# ILLUMINATION STATION

JESUS IS THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD!





# CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

## SUMMER CAMP

Please be in prayer for the following students that will be attending camp this month! Feel free to stop by the information table and grab a note and write them a word of encouragement! Please keep them in your prayers. Notes are due by the date by their name. Thanks for loving our kids!

- Elizabeth Muilenburg
  - July 5 – CHIPS Camp
- Jaylynn Mars
  - July 12 – Saddle Up Camp
- Addi Wielenga
  - July 12 – Lodge Camp
- Carissa Muilenburg
  - July 19 – Saddle Up Camp
- Henley Phillips
  - July 19 & 26 – Discovery & Day Camp Explorers
- Karston Wynia, Mackenzie Wynia, Heavenly Chamblee
  - July 26 – Day Camp Explorers
- Maddi Halma
  - August 2 – Saddle Up Camp



## HAVE A GREAT TIME AT CAMP, KIDS!

## GOD SIGHTINGS AT ILLUMINATION STATION VBS

What a bright and exciting week at Illumination Station VBS! As kids learned about Jesus, the Light of the World, they also shared ways they saw God at work in their lives throughout the week. We invited them to write their thoughts on fireflies and add them to our wall. Here are a few of their reflections:

- *I saw God working on the stage during singing time*
- *My mom gave me a hug*
- *My friend helped me*
- *At softball when I pitched a strike and caught a pop fly*
- *I saw God through learning and making stuff*
- *Every different person bringing forth their gifts to serve the church*
- *Everyone was bright and awesome*
- *I saw God through wonderful leaders, Tegegn and Michaela*
- *I saw Jesus in the amazing leaders*
- *Someone prayed for me*
- *All the volunteers who helped all week*
- *I saw God when my mom was changing jobs*
- *I saw God through the smiles of all the kids faces*
- *God was present at each Bible story, touching each child's heart*

## MISSION OFFERING AT VBS

The kids also collected a mission offering throughout the week at VBS. The mission this year was to support the Hope Haven project "Kids Helping Kids" as they reflect the love of Christ by sponsoring wheelchairs for children in need around the world.

**The total raised for Hope Haven wheelchairs for kids was \$6,352.63!** Praise God!

## VBS VOLUNTEER SURVEY

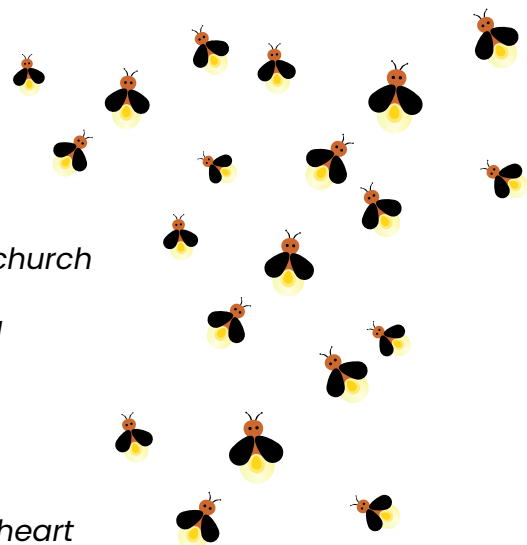
VBS volunteers are asked to fill out a survey online to help us with improving VBS in the future! Thank you for all your help this year and for your feedback as we aim to make VBS the best it can be! We want your honest feedback! Thank you! Please scan the QR code below.



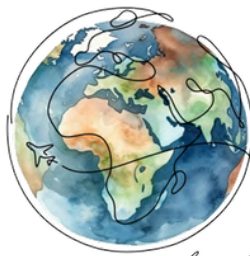
## UNCLAIMED VBS CRAFTS



A couple bags of crafts have not yet been claimed from VBS! If these are yours, please stop by Bonnie's office to claim them.



# MISSIONS



*across the street & around the world*



## **SPECIAL OFFERING OPPORTUNITY FOR JULY & AUGUST: REV. BOB ABEL FAMILY**



Rev. Bob Abel is one of our missionary partners. Bob serves with Remember Nhu ministries in the role of Director of Staff and Pastoral Care. His primary role is providing pastoral care, discipleship, and leadership training to Remember Nhu's domestic, international, and indigenous missionary staff. In addition, Bob oversees the spiritual development of the Remember Nhu children located in 20 countries around the world. Remember Nhu works to end sex slavery by using a prevention model, keeping children out of the sex trade before they're sold. Bob's family has felt many spiritual attacks over the last few years living in Texas. This past year, Bob's wife, Amy, had a medical emergency. Her nervous system began to shut down. After months of medical treatments and therapy, Amy is able to function but still suffers from some side effects. **Please join us in giving an extra gift to the Abel family to help cover some of their medical bills. Please pray for healing for Amy and for spiritual protection over their family. Please also pray for comfort as Bob's mother recently passed away.**



## **UPCOMING MISSION EVENTS**

**Love Inc Heart & Sole Drive** – Children in Sioux County are in need of new shoes before school starts again this fall. Love In the Name of Christ is a local organization that organizes a shoe drive each summer for children in need. Consider stopping by the Love Inc shoe drive table in the fellowship hall on **Sunday, July 12 or 19** to purchase a pair for our neighbors in need.



**Prayer Walk on University of Nebraska-Lincoln Campus** – Join us on **Saturday, August 1** for a day trip to Lincoln, NE to pray for the students and Navigators' ministry on the campus of the University of Nebraska. Let's join together and send a full van to pray with, encourage, and support our mission partners, Jonathan & Erin Haverdink.

**Indoor Mini-Golf Fundraiser for Heytsis** – Maranda Heytsi, our mission partner from Ukraine, will be visiting the states soon! We will be hosting a fundraiser for her family and church ministry on **Friday, August 7, 7-9 PM**. Save the date and plan to join us as we support & encourage their ministry.



**Serving at The Banquet, Sioux Falls** – This year's date for serving at The Banquet in Sioux Falls is **Monday, August 10<sup>th</sup>**. Look for a sign-up sheet at the info table with more details. Thanks for serving our neighbors in need!



THE BANQUET



**MISSION PARTNER OF THE MONTH:  
JON & ERIN HAVERDINK  
UNIVERSITY OF LINCOLN, NE NAVIGATORS**

**Jon shares in their recent newsletter:**

“The school year concluded on a high note, with several students graduating and many others stepping into our summer discipleship opportunities. One of those opportunities is Crossroads, a program designed to equip and encourage students who remain in Lincoln during the summer for work, classes, or family. Crossroads focuses on helping these students grow as disciplemakers through worship, Bible study, discipleship, and outreach to incoming students.

For the past few weeks, more than 20 students have gathered in our backyard each week for worship and Bible study as part of Crossroads. It has been encouraging to see their hunger for God and their desire to invest in others. Our kids, Mara and Soren, have also loved staying up past bedtime to hang out with the students and staff! **Please pray that the Lord would continue to deepen their faith, strengthen their commitment to His mission, and grow them into lifelong disciplemakers.**

While we have loved our past two summers in Jacksonville, Florida at the Navs Summer Training Program, we are so grateful to spend this summer at home in Lincoln and enjoying some much-needed family time. Our weekends have been full of weddings, outdoor projects/gardening, and lots of playtime with the kids! This past weekend, Jonathan ushered a wedding for Isaiah and Lauren, two Navigator students. Jonathan has discipled Isaiah for the past two years.

Another big change for our family is that Erin recently stepped back from her marketing & communications role for the broader Iowa/Nebraska Navigators to invest more deeply in our home, discipling our kids, and building community with the other stay-at-home moms in our neighborhood. We are grateful for your ongoing prayers and partnership!”

-Jonathan & Erin Haverdink

**Please continue to pray for Jon and Erin as they serve with Navigators campus ministry in Lincoln, NE.** Join us on **Saturday, August 1** for a day trip to Lincoln, NE to pray for the students and Navigators’ ministry on the campus of the University of Nebraska. Let’s join together and send a full van to pray with, encourage, and support this son of MRC. Look for a sign-up sheet on the information booth or email the mission team at [mauricepartners@gmail.com](mailto:mauricepartners@gmail.com) to R.S.V.P.



Each Monday the church emails out the newsletters and prayer updates that we receive from our missionaries. Look for the subject “Mission Monday” in your inbox. Thank you for taking the time to read and pray for all our mission partners. You may surely email them back letting them know that you are praying for them. This is one of the ways we participate in the Great Commission to reach every nation with the gospel hope of Jesus Christ.

# JULY 2026

## MRC MISSION PRAYER CALENDAR

PRAYER NOTES FROM OUR PARTNERS IN MISSION LOCALLY, REGIONALLY, & INTERNATIONALLY

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
			<b>1   PRAY FOR</b> Kari as she transitions to a new from Praying Pelican to a pregnancy center	<b>2   PRAY FOR</b> the Abel family as they continue ministry through Remember Nhu	<b>3   PRAY FOR</b> Launch Global as they prepare people to serve where the gospel has not been preached	<b>4   PRAY THAT</b> freedom in Christ will be preached to every nation
<b>5   PRAY FOR</b> the jr. high group at Urban Plunge all week	<b>6   PRAY FOR</b> the Paradise Jr School in Uganda: the staff, children and expansion projects	<b>7   PRAY FOR</b> Jon and Erin as they spend the summer in Lincoln as a family	<b>8   PRAY FOR</b> the ministry of New Life Church in Ukraine, for God's continued provision	<b>9   PRAY FOR</b> "S" as he spends time overseas working through new testament translation	<b>10   PRAY FOR</b> the Johnson family, Laurey and Ian get married tomorrow!	<b>11   PRAY FOR</b> Lexy Krogman as she begins her new ministry with Cadence International
<b>12   PRAY FOR</b> Brian and Donna as they continue their ministry in translation	<b>13   PRAY FOR</b> Pastor Deb as she continues to minister at Shop Church and Whispers	<b>14   PRAY FOR</b> Brad, his travels and leadership at Rocky Mtn. High this month	<b>15   PRAY FOR</b> good health for Mark Wilson and preparation for his trip in August	<b>16   PRAY FOR</b> wisdom and fruitfulness, friends and good health and opportunities to host for the "S" family overseas	<b>17   PRAY FOR</b> Pathways workshop in August, those leading the large group meetings and the trainers investing in these leaders	<b>18   PRAY FOR</b> the Phen Bible School and Garden of Life in Cambodia
<b>19   PRAY FOR</b> Pastor Martin and his ministry in Uganda	<b>20   PRAY FOR</b> Amy in her role as caregiver and content developer	<b>21   PRAY FOR</b> the health, protection and ministry of the Dekker family	<b>22   PRAY FOR</b> the local food pantries that minister to our counties while providing food	<b>23   PRAY FOR</b> translation software to be accurate and speedy so the whole world hears the good news	<b>24   PRAY FOR</b> the Heytsi family as Maranda will be spending some time in the states	<b>25   PRAY FOR</b> Sr. High at Rocky Mountain High
<b>26   PRAY FOR</b> the new candidates in the Coram Deo program and Tom as he develops curriculum in French	<b>27   PRAY FOR</b> the workers and children of Remember Nhu as they rescue and restore children	<b>28   PRAY FOR</b> the residents of Talitha Koum and ministry of Whispers of Love, Hope and Joy	<b>29   PRAY FOR</b> First Priority students to keep sharing and growing in their faith over the summer	<b>30   PRAY FOR</b> the Heart & Sole drive held next month by Love INC	<b>31   PRAY FOR</b> the Navigators to be prepared when students return to campus next month	

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
			<b>1</b> 6:30 AM Prayer	<b>2</b> 6:45 PM Sunday AM Rehearsal	<b>3</b> 4 <sup>th</sup> of July Observed <i>Offices Closed</i>	
<b>5</b> <b>Worship in the Park</b> 10:00 AM Worship in the Park led by Pastor Jeremy • Church BBQ to follow  6:00 PM Ukrainian Worship Service	<b>6</b> 7:00 PM Mission Team Meeting – Fireside Room	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> 6:30 AM Prayer	<b>9</b> 11:30 AM Staff Meeting & Lunch  6:45 PM Sunday AM Rehearsal	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>JR. GAP URBAN PLUNGE DES MOINES – JULY 5-9</b>						
<b>12</b> 9:30 AM Worship led by Pastor Don De Kok • Love Inc Heart & Sole Drive  6:00 PM Prayer & Worship Service  6:00 PM Ukrainian Worship Service	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> 9:00 AM Staff Meeting	<b>15</b> 6:30 AM Prayer	<b>16</b> 6:45 PM Sunday AM Rehearsal	<b>17</b> 5:30 PM Recycled Teens @ Roadhouse (Orange City)	<b>18</b>
<b>19</b> 9:30 AM Worship led by Justin Schrock • Love Inc Heart & Sole Drive  6:00 PM Ukrainian Worship Service	<b>20</b> 6:00 PM Elder/Deacon Meetings  7:00 PM Full Consistory	<b>21</b> 9:00 AM Staff Meeting	<b>22</b> 6:30 AM Prayer	<b>23</b> 6:45 PM Sunday AM Rehearsal	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> Sr. High leaves for Rocky Mountain High
<b>26</b> 9:30 AM Worship led by Pastor Jeremy  6:00 PM Unplugged Worship Service  6:00 PM Ukrainian Worship Service	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> 9:00 AM Staff Meeting	<b>29</b> 6:30 AM Prayer	<b>30</b> 6:45 PM Sunday AM Rehearsal	<b>31</b>	
<b>ROCKY MOUNTAIN HIGH – JULY 25-29</b>						