

# Family Connection

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**The mission of Christ's Family Church is to lead people to Christ, to equip them for service in the Kingdom of God, and to send them out to reach others with the Gospel, that God may be glorified.**

John Wooden, the former UCLA men's basketball coach, is a person I really admire. He was a great basketball coach and teacher. Even more importantly he was and continues to be a strong Christian. His Christian values and beliefs have been the foundation of his life both on and off the basketball court. Coach Wooden has provided many memorable quotes but the one I like the most is: "It's what we learn after we know it all that really counts."

I've found that to be true in my life many times. It has really hit home recently. Last fall my lovely wife asked me if I would be willing to help teach the adult class "The Road". I think she thought I needed to go and that was the only way she could get me to go. Well, I reluctantly agreed.

Wow what an experience it has been. I'd spent some time reading the Bible and while I certainly wasn't a Bible scholar, I thought I knew it pretty well. Was I ever wrong! I have learned so much through this class. It has deepened my perspective and hopefully has strengthened my faith. I think I'm now starting to understand what really counts.

If you haven't started this journey I would encourage you to do so next fall when this class starts again. I hope your experience is the same as mine and I'm sure it will be. Thanks Becky for encouraging me.

I'll close with another of my favorite Coach Wooden quotes: "It's the little details that are vital. Little things make big things happen." God Bless You and I hope to see you on "The Road"

Tom Schuetz

## Pancake Breakfast & Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, March 27, 9-11 am

**The 1000 Egg/Candy Challenge!** For the Pancake Breakfast & Easter Egg hunt on March 27, the Outreach Committee figures we need 1000 Plastic Easter Eggs and 1000 individually wrapped candies that would fit into the eggs. As always, please keep these items separate as the Outreach Committee will assemble the candy and eggs. The designated tub for donations are behind the Information Desk.

—Mollie Foster, Outreach Committee

## Opportunities for Prayer and Praise

**John Bohn**—fluid around his heart

**Shirley Peterson**—back pain, home recovering

**James Schick**—friend of Robin Schaver, passed away, please pray for strength for Cindy, Trea and Amanda

**Velma Louise Kosmach**—mother of Kathy Schuett, recovering and healing from heart surgery

**Dori Martin**—sister of Carol Kuehl, continued prayers as she copes with the death of her husband Ron. She has returned to their "winter home" in AZ. After 62 years of marriage, life will be very different for her

**Marshall Lesser**—In intensive care at Genesis East, Possible heart attack.

### **Praises:**

**Ellen Keller**- for healing and return home

**Craig and Sara Otta**-birth of a daughter Adria Corinne

**John Bohn**-return home from hospital

## THIS WEEK

### Wednesday, 3rd

10:00 a.m.	Prayer Shawl mtg	Conference Rm
5:00 p.m.	Lenten Meal	
6:00 p.m.	Praise Band	
6:30 p.m.	Choir, Jr. High	

### Friday, 5th

7:00 p.m.	Men's Basketball
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### Week of March 7-13

### Sunday, 7th

8:15 a.m.	Adult Learning
9:30 a.m.	Worship
10:50 a.m.	Sunday Learning
12:00 p.m.	Pizza—Sr. & Jr. High
3:00 p.m.	Living Last Supper mtg -Sanctuary
5:30 p.m.	Dinner Groups
7:00 p.m.	Sr. High

### Monday, 8th

11:30 a.m.	Bible Study-Conference Room
5:30 p.m.	Outreach Committee mtg at Mitch Andringa's

### Tuesday, 9th

6:00 p.m.	Family volleyball
7:00 p.m.	Adult volleyball

### Wednesday, 10th

11:00a.m.	Lunch with the Bunch
5:00 p.m.	Lenten Meal
6:00 p.m.	Praise Band,
6:30 p.m.	Choir, Jr. High

### Friday, 12th

7:00 p.m.	Men's Basketball
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## Consistory Assignments 2010

Here is a listing of the Consistory members and the committees for which they are the liaison.

### **Elders:**

**Mike Senneff** - VP Consistory, Personnel, Day Care

**Sandy Ross** - Prayer Shawl, Nursery

**Jackie Baumgarten** - Decorating, Dinner Groups, Small Groups

**Tom Schuetz** - Worship, Adult Fellowship

### **Deacons:**

**Will Fossey** - Finance, Website, Youth & Education

**Dave Schafer** - Men's Ministry, Missions

**Dick Kvach** - Property, Audio Visual

**Dave Schafer** - Finance, Ushers, Audio/Visual

**Dan Stansberry** - Building Supervisors

**Pastor Tim** - Hospitality, Outreach

I will be loyal to Christ's Family Church and will support her with my prayers, my presence, my gifts, and my service.

By our presence:

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## Opportunities to Learn

### ADULTS: FOR MARCH 7:

**THE WAY** – This class is the starting point for your journey on **THE ROAD**.

Join us for *The Stranger on the Road to Emmaus* this Sunday morning at 10:50 am as we visit the empty tomb. What did it take for those nearest to Jesus to believe He was alive again...and what does it take for us to rest our hope in His resurrection today?

**THE TRUTH** – This week we'll begin discussing questions from DFD book 5-Chapter 2: The Authority of God's Word

### FOR MARCH 14:

**THE WAY** – Join us next week as we begin to review what we've learned...this time in the shadow of the cross. What do Adam and Eve's disobedience; Cain and Abel's differing sacrifices; and Noah's ark have to do with Jesus? The individual pieces will begin to fit together into one continuing story...one that you won't want to miss!

**THE TRUTH** – Next week we'll be discussing questions from DFD book 5 – Chapter 3: The Holy Spirit

### WHERE AND WHEN DO THESE CLASSES MEET?

**THE WAY** meets in the main sanctuary on Sunday mornings at 10:50 am and is led by Pastor Brian, Tom Schuetz and Don Kincaid. **Visitors are ALWAYS welcome!**

**THE TRUTH** meets in the following classrooms in the Family Life Center:

*8:15 am early discussion group:*


Room 201 – led by Don Olsen/Mike Senneff

*10:50 am discussion groups:*

Room 201 – Wayland Bauer/Mark Baumgarten

Room 202 – Dave Schafer/Greg & Sandy VerMeer

Room 203 – Sheryl VerMeer/Don Kincaid

**TREASURE  SEEKERS...we need more hands and hearts!** We need an additional small group leader for the kindergarten/1<sup>st</sup> grade and the 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> grade classes. This involves sitting with the class during large group time, helping them engage in the lesson, and then leading or helping the small group with an activity that reinforces the lesson. Small group leaders help express Jesus' love to kids by caring and taking a personal interest in the students in their class. **Could this be your place to serve?** Contact Becky at [becky.schuetz@yahoo.com](mailto:becky.schuetz@yahoo.com) or 940-7605 for more information or to volunteer.

### **WE NEED PEOPLE TO HELP PLAN VBS!**

**Can you help us plan** an unforgettable VBS trip to Egypt where kids can see, smell, hear, taste and touch Bible truths and events? We are forming a planning committee and NOW is the time to start!

Maybe you can help:

- create decorations to set the scene and spark the imagination
- plan snacks
- organize and order marketplace craft activities
- tell stories or take on the role of a prison guard
- publicize our VBS adventure
- oversee registration and name tags

**VBS reaches 80-100 kids** every year with the message that God loves them and has a great plan for their lives. For some of them, this is the only place they will hear it. Would you please pray for these children...and for God to bring us many more who need to hear about Jesus' love and redemption? Will you help us spread the Word? Contact Becky at [becky.schuetz@yahoo.com](mailto:becky.schuetz@yahoo.com) or 940-7605 if you have any questions or suggestions for making VBS 2010 a truly special event in the lives of children. Thank you!

## Opportunities for Fellowship

### Men's Ministry Event—Mark Your Calendars!

#### Registration Begins March 14th

**What:** Iron Sharpens Iron National Men's Conference

**When:** Saturday, April 17 from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**Where:** Calvary Church of the Quad Cities, 4700 53rd St. Moline, IL

**Who:** Men of all ages (13 and older)

Keynote Speakers—Bob Reccord and Dan Seaborn  
Theme—"As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another." Proverbs 27:17

Conference Host—Focal Point Ministries in Fulton, IL  
Plan now to register.

### LUNCH WITH THE BUNCH

Lunch with the Bunch, Wednesday, March 10th. Lunch served at noon. Meatloaf & potato logs, deviled green beans, brownie and beverage. Cost \$5 per plate. Sign up at the information desk. Invite your friends and co-workers.

### Opportunities to Serve

#### Lenten Soup Suppers

On Wednesdays through March 24, Christ's Family will have Soup Suppers during the Lenten season from 5:00-6:00 pm in the Family Life Center gym. If you would like to support this event, sign-ups for bringing soup, cookies, or serving in the kitchen will be at the information desk. Families are encouraged to participate as well. The Soup Suppers are a great time for church fellowship and spiritual reflection as we approach the celebration of Christ's resurrection at Easter.  
Pastor Tim, Worship Committee

### Christ's Family Church Camp Scholarships

These scholarships are provided in an effort to provide financial encouragement and incentive for the youth of Christ's Family Church to attend Christ centered summer camps or trips. The scholarship is available to youth who are members of CFC or whose parents are members of CFC or youth who regularly attend Sunday School or Youth activities. The scholarship will contribute up to half of the camp's registration fee, with a maximum \$150.00. Request form's are on the information desk and at the church office and can be returned to the church office.

### Thank You

Thanks to those who served at the Salvation Army meal site last month, Beckie May, Byron & Margaret Baxter, and John and Ethel Hegeman. Sandy Ross helped me cook and to the cookie bakers: Terri Fox, Ruth, Sandy Vermeer, Sandy Ullrich and Alyce Lundvall.  
Sonja Rekers

### Giving to Others

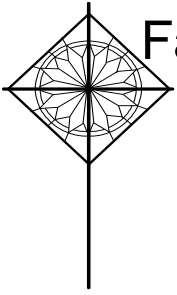
Thank you for your contribution of \$1500.00 on 2/3/2010 to the Congregation of the Humility of Mary. Your gift, designated to the Greatest Need, provides valuable support for our ministries and the care of our retired sisters. We are grateful for your generosity and for sharing our mission.  
S. Mary Rehmann

CFC was able to contribute \$5268.97 to the Haiti Relief. The Donations were \$1000.00 from missions, \$1013.97 from the garage sale and \$3255.00 from contributions from members. Thank you.

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### Living Last Supper

Thursday, April 1 at 7:30 p.m.  
Mark your calendar and tell your friends



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## ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

Pastor Brian Akker  
Pastor Tim Truesdell  
Worship with us Sunday at 9:30  
Sunday School 10:50 a.m.

# Youth Ministry

Wednesday, March 3rd

**Controlled Chaos (Jr. High)** - 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. in the youth room! Topic: "Why Do We Pray?"

Sunday, March 7th

**Oasis (Sr. High)** - 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. in the youth room! Continuing the "To Save a Life" series. Remember \$ for our Compassion Kid! And... if you would like to help make bracelets for Haiti relief, come 20 minutes before or stay after for 20 minutes to help!

Wednesday, March 10th

**Controlled Chaos (Jr. High)** - 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. in the youth room! Topic: "How Do We Pray?" Remember \$ for our Compassion Kid!

Sunday, March 14th

**Oasis (Sr. High) 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.** in the youth room! "To Save a Life" series continues!

**Pizza Day!!! Sunday, March 7th** in the youth room! All Jr. and Sr. High students are invited for pizza after Sunday School! Cost: \$7 We will play volleyball after we eat. A change of clothes might make you more comfortable.

### What is Hang Time ? -

**Who:** It is a Jr. and Sr. High (**Sorry... age limit is Jr. and Sr. High students only**)

**What:** A night of games, fun, and food! It's a time when students slow down, relax and get to know one another more.

**Where:** Family Life Center and Youth Room!

**When:** Saturday, March 27th (Due to Spring Break, we changed are having it later in the month.)

**Parents** are encouraged to come! As kids get older, they get very busy. This is a night parents can set a side to just simply hang out with their kids!

**Friends** are welcome! If you have a friend that normally does not feel comfortable in church, this is a great time to invite them. No programming, no Bible lesson, just simply enjoying the night and the people!

**Questions** call Torri at 563-359-3765.

### Financial Update

In an effort to better communicate the status of our financial situation, we are revising the way we present offerings, other income, actual expenses, and the overall budget to the congregation.

As offerings are given and expenses are incurred throughout the year, we will update weekly averages for giving and expenses. These weekly averages will then be "annualized" (multiplied by 52) to show how we project to finish at the end of the year. These numbers can then be compared to the budget that was approved by the congregation.

	<u>Weekly Average</u>	<u>Annualized Amount</u>
Offerings Through February 28	\$9,060.84	\$471,163.74
Other Income Through January 31	\$320.60	\$16,671.20
Actual Expenses Through January 31	\$7,711.56	\$401,001.02
Budgeted Expenses	\$11,236.10	\$584,277.00

Other income includes building rent and other miscellaneous items. These funds have been used to offset church expenses in the past. Actual expenses are summarized on a monthly basis. Once the "books" are closed for February, we will update our actual expenses.

So far this year, we are falling short of our budgeted giving. Our average actual expenses are lower than offerings to date, but this can be a little misleading. The church has some large planned expenses that will not be paid until later this year.

The Finance Committee and Consistory are interested in your feedback to learn if these numbers are beneficial and more easily understood than what was presented in the past. Please share your thoughts with any member of the Finance Committee and Consistory.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28 8:15 Adult Class 9:30 Worship, 10:50 Sunday Learning	1 Christian Education mtg. 6:30	2 6:30 Adult Volleyball	3 Lenten Soup supper 5:00, Choir, Jr. High 6:30	4	5 6:30 Men's Basketball	6
7 8:15 Adult Class 9:30 Worship, 10:50 Sunday Learning	8 Outreach Committee mtg. @ Mitch Andringa's house	9 6:30 Adult Volleyball	10 Lenten Soup supper 5:00, Choir, Jr. High 6:30	11	12 6:30 Men's Basketball	13
14 8:15 Adult Class 9:30 Worship, 10:50 Sunday Learning	15 7:00 Hospitality Committee mtg	16 6:30 Adult Volleyball	17 Lenten Soup supper 5:00, Choir, Jr. High 6:30	18	19 6:30 Men's Basketball	20 7:30 a.m. Men's "Son Rise" B & B
21 8:15 Adult Class 9:30 Worship, 10:50 Sunday Learning	22	23 6:30 Adult Volleyball	24 Lenten Soup supper 5:00, Choir, Jr. High 6:30	25	26 6:30 Men's Basketball	27 BSF Leaders mtg. 6:30 a.m., 9:00 Pancake Breakfast Easter Egg Hunt



**March 7th , 2010 9:30 a.m.**

**Message:** Lent-3 Schadenfreude Story

**Scripture:** Luke 13: 1-9

**Greeters/Doors:** Chuck & Karen Ullrich, Greg & Pam Lundgren

**Bulletins:** Bill & Delores Williams

**Ushers:** Bruce McElhinney, Mike Oechsner

**Projectionist :** Andrea Vermeer

**Church Nursery:** Jackie Baumgarten & Doni Lyon

**SS Nursery :** Margaret Baxter & Ashley Fox

**Children & Worship:** Sandy Schafer

**Ambassador:** Terry & Donna Muilenburg

**Information Desk:** Shirley DeWys

**March 14th, 2010**

**9:30 a.m.**

**Message:** Lent-4 Story of Grace & Truth

**Scripture:** 2 Corinthians 5:16-21

**Greeters/Doors:** Bob & Jean Norton, Patrick Martin, Sandy Ross

**Bulletins:** Bev Fuller & LaJuan Gault

**Ushers:** Bob Norton, David Schafer

**Projectionist:** Will Fossey

**Church Nursery:** Marilyn Olsen, Garrett Lyon, & Ryan Vermeer

**SS Nursery:** Margaret Baxter & Diane McAnally

**Children & Worship:** Valerie Hessel

**Ambassador:** Dan & Rebecca Stansberry

**Information Desk:** Alyce Lundvall



**New Arrival**

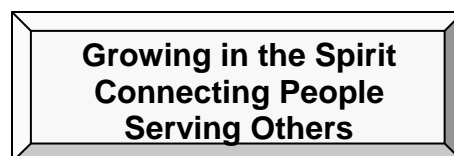
Adria Corinne Otta arrived February 24, 2010 @ 7:04 a.m. She weighed 8lbs. 8oz. and was 20" long. Proud dad and mom are Craig and Sara Otta and big sisters Karleigh and Isabel. Proud grandparents Bruce & Sandy Houzenga.

**Change of Address**

Brian and Trina Hanssen  
2120 E. 59th Street  
Davenport, Iowa 52807  
563-386-8438

**New Members Email Address**

Rod Grage and Murena Iniguez—murena@mchsi.com



**Ink Cartridges**

Please bring your HP empty ink cartridges to the church office or to the information table. We get a \$3.00 credit for them towards office supplies.

**Phil Sneller**

Phil Sneller former pastor from Fulton fell and broke a bone in his leg and had surgery. If you would like to send him a card here is his information:

Phil and Faye Sneller  
3134 North Avenue  
Sheboygan, WI 53080