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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, to send them out to reach others with the Gospel that God may be glorified.

Shalom

At the end of February, we begin the time of Lent. A time of preparing our hearts for Easter. A time of reflecting on what Christ did for us. A time of repentance. A time to perhaps give up something to make more time for Jesus in our lives.

Some events are being planned to help us get ready for Easter.

One such event is scheduled for Sunday, March 29th at 5pm. We have the wonderful opportunity to share in a small part of the Passover experience. This event will be held at Christ's Family Church and is open to all ages. We have invited someone from the organization Jews for Jesus to lead us in this event. If you would like to learn more about the organization you can visit their website

www.jewsforjesus.org. We will participate in this event by trying different foods and hearing what these foods represent to the Israelites. Please don't let the food stop you from coming. You can participate in however you feel comfortable. But, do come with an open heart to hear about how God was and is working in the lives of Jews. There will be a free will offering to be given to Jews for Jesus to further their ministry.

To make sure we have space and food ready for everyone, we will have a sign up sheet starting the beginning of March at the information table.

Also, if this is something you are interested in helping with, I would love to have your help. You can call me at 309-737-1117 or email me at vmsheryl@gmail.com.

I am praying that many of you will want to deepen your understanding of the meaning of Passover and will set aside March 29th for this event.

And may Yeshua grant you His peace.

Sheryl VerMeer

Can You say Sundararajan?

Mark your calendars for Sunday, March 8th, when Rev. JP Sundararajan, the Director of Global Mission for the RCA, will be visiting CFC. JR (much easier to say than Sundararajan) grew up in India. He went to Northwestern College, and then to Western Theological Seminary. He served as an RCA Missionary for 12 years with Audio Scriptures Ministries. As of October 1, he is the RCA Director of Global Mission. He will be speaking during the worship service and during the Sunday Discipleship time. We look forward to welcoming Rev. JP to Christ's Family Church.

February 2 - 8

Tuesday	1:30 p.m.	Praying the Word
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	7:14 GAP Women's Prayer Group
	10:00 a.m.	Prayer Shawl
Thursday	5:45 p.m.	BSF Leader's mtg.
	6:00 p.m.	Serve @ Davenport Meal Site

February 9 - 15

Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Worship, Communion Cadena vacation
Thursday Feb. 13-18	12:00 p.m.	Backpacks due PB vacation
Saturday	8:00 a.m.	Men's Breakfast/Bible study

February 16 - 22

Sunday		Don Kincaid preaching
Tuesday	1:30 p.m.	Praying the Word
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	7:14 GAP Women's Prayer Group
	10:00 a.m.	Prayer Shawl
	6:30 p.m.	Kid's Against Hunger
Thursday	10:00-3:00	Classis meeting at CFC
	6:30 p.m.	Elder's mtg.

February 23 - 29

Monday	10:00 a.m.	Women's Bible study
Wednesday	7:00 p.m.	Ash Wednesday Service
Thursday	12:00 p.m.	Backpacks due
	7:00 p.m.	Trinity International Concert

Weekly Events

Sunday - 8:15 Adult class, 9:30 Worship, 10:45 Sunday Discipleship
Monday - 7:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study Fellowship
Tuesday - 6:30-9:00 p.m. Adult Volleyball
Wednesday - 5:30 p.m. Family Dinner, 6:30 Circle of Friends, Choir, Middle School
Friday - 7:00 p.m. Men's Basketball

	December	YTD Dec.
General Fund Offerings and Other Income*	94,960	651,390
Total General Fund Actual Expenses	53,286	644,718
Total Surplus/(Shortfall)	41,674	6,672
Total Budgeted Expenses	57,848	694,173

Grow as a disciple of Jesus...


THE GOSPEL PROJECT
CHRONOLOGICAL
2 HCSB

*... already reached the goal or am already
it I make every effort to take hold of it
have been taken hold of by Christ Jesus.*

... out in his letter to the church at Philippi
- disciples of Jesus are never done growing! **We have
discipleship classes on Sunday morning for ALL
ages and stages of life.** Come check it out this
Sunday!


Here's what is coming up this month...

**The Method: Missionaries/Paul's First
Journey – Acts 13:1-3; 14:8-28**

 God's first missionaries were committed to following Jesus wherever He led them, even if that meant facing opposition to and suffering for the gospel message they proclaimed.


His Mission, Our Mission: Jesus told His disciples that the gates of hell would not prevail against His church. This image helps us see ourselves as God's people living "on offense," taking the powerful and good news of Jesus to places of deep spiritual darkness with full confidence that Jesus will build His church.

**The Message: "Christ Alone" – Acts
15:1-35**

 The early church faced a heated disagreement about the nature of salvation for Gentiles: were they saved by faith alone or must they enter into salvation through the path of obedience to the law first? The Jerusalem Council that was convened to answer this critical question offers us a good example of how to handle disputes in the church but was also vital to preserving the gospel message of "Christ alone."


His Mission, Our Mission: God calls us to proclaim the message that salvation is available through faith in Christ alone, not through additional obligations or works.

**The Converts: All Kinds of People/Paul's
Second Journey – Acts 16:11-34**

 The gospel reaches different people in different ways. In Philippi, Paul and Silas saw converts from different social and economic backgrounds come to faith through their witness and testimony. Their message was the same for all: "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved."

His Mission, Our Mission: God calls us to be faithful to deliver His message to all kinds of people, using a variety of methods.

**The Culture: Idolatrous but Intrigued/Paul
Preached in Europe – Acts 17:16-34**

 When Paul reasoned with the men in Athens, he found points in common between the biblical view of the world and that of Greek culture. Then he proclaimed that all nations came from the first Adam and that all nations will be judged by the second Adam – Jesus Christ. His message focused on the risen Jesus and included a fervent call to repentance.

His Mission, Our Mission: God calls us to be provoked by the idolatry of our culture and to proclaim with boldness and sensitivity the gospel of His Son.

WHERE WILL CLASSES MEET?

The Gospel Project for ADULTS

8:15 am class - Room 202

10:45 am classes – Room 201 & Conference Room

The Gospel Project for YOUTH

10:45 am – Youth Room – Family Life Center – Lower Level

The Gospel Project 4 CFC KIDS

10:45 am – Children's Ministry area —Lower Level & FLC Nursery

Babies & Toddlers – FLC Nursery

Preschool – 5th Grade – Lower Level

Additional Sunday Discipleship class for Adults:

The Heidelberg Catechism

10:45 am – Room 202

Come check out the richness and beauty of the Heidelberg, one of the foundational catechisms that has helped shape and maintain our reformed tradition.

Weekly Fellowship group for Adults:

Fellowship & Prayer Group

10:45 am – FLC Room 110 (Lower Level)

This group meets to share conversation and prayer.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

"The LORD himself goes before you and will be with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged." Deuteronomy 31:8

We invite you to join us beginning Monday, February 24, 2020 for a Lenten Bible Study, "Our Christ Crucified". Feel God's great, unending love for you, your need for a Savior and how He choose the Cross because of that great, unending love for you. We will meet Monday, February 24th at 10:00 a.m. for a time of fellowship, coffee and an introduction to the Study. We will then skip a week so you can begin your journey and then meet again on Monday, March 9th with Lesson 1: "Love, Humility and the Cross". This is a 6 week study and our last session will be on Monday, April 13, 2020.

Praying you will come and share in this Bible Study at CFC. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to call Nancy Zylstra at 641-891-3373 or Mavis Wahlert at 605-770-8682.

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Based on the results of the recent survey taken by the women of Christ's Family Church, there will be some changes in the format and future of our women's ministry.

It was decided to change the name of Woven to **WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP**.

We will be moving to a quarterly schedule.

Meetings will be held on the second Saturday morning of a designated month, meeting from 9am – 10:30am.

We will pick up a cup of coffee and doughnut or muffin, as we proceed to the Youth Room where we will enjoy the activities planned for us.

PLEASE SAVE THESE DATES

March 14, 2020

June 13, 2020

September 12, 2020

November 14, 2020

This year's variety of activities will focus on the words: HOPE, PEACE, JOY, and LOVE.

We want to encourage all the women of all ages to join us, and looking forward to some wonderful experiences.

GriefShare

Last fall our church investigated a grief recovery program for people experiencing the painful loss of a child, spouse, good friend or family member. We selected GriefShare after hearing confirmations of success from many other churches locally and even on a nation wide basis. Each of the 13 week sessions is built around three components : a video seminar which offers expert teaching on topics needed for people in grief, small group discussion to discuss how the video concepts relate to personal experiences, and a workbook for journaling and a daily Bible study to understand application of concepts presented on the video. With training guidance from GriefShare resources, we now have 4 facilitators from our church who have volunteered to lead the sessions. These sessions will be available not only for people from our church (men and women over the age of 18) but also anyone from the community (churched or unchurched) who may benefit from them. This support group will offer an opportunity to find practical help, encouragement, an understanding of the need to develop a personal relationship with Jesus for healing and a place to connect with others. Our group will start on Thursday March 12 at 12:45 and meet on the next 13 weeks. Our church is paying the cost of the instruction and books for all participants. If you would like to register, you may call our church office. If you would like to check it out yourself, you may go online at www.GriefShare.org. If you have any further questions regarding this opportunity, you may call Pam Lundgren at 271-6542.

Trinity International University Concert Choir

Thursday, February 27th at 7:00 p.m.

They are from Deerfield IL and Davenport is the first stop on their tour. The concert is open to the public. All are welcome!

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2 9:30 Christmas Cantata, Cong. Meeting, Bake Sale	3 Newsletter	4 1:30 Praying the Word 6:30 Volleyball	5 9:00 GAP 10:00 Prayer Shawl 5:30 Family Meal 6:30 Circle of Friends, Choir, Middle School, Parenting Class	6 5:45 BSF Leader's mtg. 	7	8
9 8:15 Adult Class 9:30 Worship, Communion 10:45 Sunday Discipleship	10	11 6:30 Volleyball	12 9:00 GAP 10:00 Prayer Shawl	13 12:00 Backpacks due 	14 7:00 Men's Basketball	15 8:00 Men's Breakfast/Bible study
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PRAYERS:

Michelle O'Brien - Daughter in law of Tim & Robin, recovery from brain surgery, the coil that was placed in her brain a year ago was temporary & will be removed. This surgery will hopefully allow Michelle to live a long normal life. We all want her to fully recover without future disability.

Cards can be sent to:
 Michelle & Eric O'Brien
 222 Easterly DR
 New Bern, NC 28560

Ed Hanssen - recovery and healing from knee surgery
Wayland & Anne Bauer's son in law - 1st operation for detached retina didn't take, second surgery soon

Josh Meyer - recovery and healing from foot surgery

Larry Thompson - Rich's brother, pancreatic and liver cancer

Rich Thompson - recovery and healing from pacemaker procedure
 RCA as it deals with vision 2020

Day Care New

A famous quote by Dr Seuss "A person's a person, no matter how small." I believe this to be a very accurate statement. Being passionate about children and being involved with providing a place for young children to grow not only physically, but emotionally, cognitively, and spiritually, brings light to Dr. Seuss' quote. It's amazing to me that we provide the same structure, love, and care for each of the children here yet, they are all individual persons. No two children are alike, just as no two adults are alike. I asked a group of 4 to 5 year olds this question: "What makes you happy?" Here are some of the responses: "Mommy, daddy and Carson", "My teddy bear", "Going to my grandparents house", "Playing with my sister", "Getting special treats", "Sleeping in my moms bed", "Giving hugs", "playing with my favorite toy, but you know what? It's broken. It's too broken to fix.", "Minnie Mouse", "Ms Bev", "Coloring Pokemon with my brother", "Going ice skating". And so ask me the question "What makes me happy?". It's simple, the children!

"So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them." Genesis 1:27

Results of Survey taken by CFC Women

65 surveys were handed out to women attending CFC church services on October 27, 2019
34 surveys were returned
Of the 34 surveys – Ages of those who answered **2)** 16-26, **1)** 27-37, **5)** 38-48, **6)** 49-59, **26)** 60+
Had attended a WOVEN meeting in the past? **1)** 16-26, **0)** 27-37, **3)** 38-48, **3)** 49-59, **23)** 60+
Interested in a Bible Study? **1)** 16-26, **0)** 27-37, **4)** 38-48, **4)** 49-59, **14)** 60+
Interested in leading a women's ministry group? **0)** 16-26, **0)** 27-37, **0)** 38-48, **0)** 49-59, **2)** 60+, **5)** Help
Expectations and suggestions, moving forward
1. Build stronger relationships with the women of the church
2. Form stronger relationship with God
3. Study for women
4. Book club
5. Fellowship – getting to know the women of our church
6. Music
7. Focus on fellowship
8. Cozier spot than gym
9. Offsite places to meet
10. Service projects
11. Devotions
12. Testimonies
13. Titus 2:3-5 I want to grow my relationship with Jesus and help others do so and use that knowledge to serve the community and the world
14. Right Now Media
15. True Women 101 & 102 Study by Nancy Leigh DeMoss
16. Promote fellowship
17. Invite other church women
18. Enjoyable fellowship, time to connect
19. Prayer, fun
20. Fellowship with the women of our church
21. Inspirational speakers
22. Study God's word, share, care and service
23. Fellowship and spiritual guidance
24. Fun, fellowship, grow in faith, prayer and support others
25. Fellowship
26. Missions
27. Fellowship
28. Service
29. Fewer meetings
30. Applying the Bible to current events and life situations
31. Care for shut-ins
32. Crafts
33. Invite other churches to share programs
34. Go as a group to other events in the Quad Cities
35. Food - Optional
36. Food - Keep it simple
37. Food – Light snack or nothing

The majority of the responses indicated we meet on Saturday mornings for 1-2 hours.

All responses will be taken into consideration as we move forward in planning activities for 2020.

Our women's ministry is a very important part of our spiritual growth, and with God's help, it is our prayer that a program will be designed to be beneficial to all the women of CFC

Correction for the Directory

Denise & Joe Bohr's numbers are switched in the directory



Serve wholeheartedly, as if you were serving the Lord, not people – Ephesians 6:7

Can you give some time on Wednesday nights?

We need 2 adults from 6:30-7:45 pm on

Wednesday nights to help with child care for kindergarteners and younger children so their parents can take part in the Parenting Together group. The group will meet for 2 more weeks from through February 12. You can volunteer one week or both weeks. Here is a link to sign up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d4ea4aa2daaf85-wednesday>

You can also sign up at the information desk. **Thanks for helping families strengthen marriages and parenting!**

MORE OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

Nursery: (Sundays during worship service, once every 3 months) Share Jesus' love with His youngest as you play with and care for babies through 3 year olds while their parents worship. Contact Terri in the church office (563-359-3765) to get on the rotating schedule.

Teach CFC Kids to WORSHIP: (Sundays during worship service) Help kids in 1st-2nd grades read through the Bible passage we are using in the worship service in a kid-friendly Bible and explore it in an age appropriate way. You can sign up to lead this time once or twice... or join a rotating schedule.

Here is a link to sign up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0D4EA4AA2DAAF85-teaching>

Young Children & Worship: (Sundays during worship service) Help 3 ½ year old – Kindergarten age kids learn to worship using a unique storytelling format and multi-sensory materials. You can sign up to lead this time once or twice...or join a rotating schedule.

Here is a link to sign up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0D4EA4AA2DAAF85-young>

Sunday Discipleship 4 Kids: (As needed on Sundays from 10:45-11:45 am) Get your feet wet as a substitute leader on Sunday morning as we seek to help kids grow as disciples of Jesus! Contact Becky at beckyschuetz6@gmail.com.



Do not work for food that spoils, but for food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For on Him God the Father has placed His seal of approval. John 6:27



On Wednesday, February 19 CFC Kids Learning 2 Serve will be hosting a Kids Against Hunger service project.

Kids Against Hunger packages highly nutritious, life-saving meals for starving children and malnourished children and their families in developing countries and the United States.

We need to provide:

Funds. The meals are 25 cents each to package, and there are 6 meals per bag. A single packaging line can usually package about 1500 meals (250 bags = \$375) in just under an hour. Last year we had 4 lines and were able to package over 6,000 meals!

Volunteers. Each packaging line requires 10-11 volunteers to operate.

ALL are welcome to come help make a difference in the life of a starving child! **Please sign up at the information table** so we can have an idea of how many filling stations we need to set up, and about how many meals we need supplies to package. **You can also reserve your spot through a Sign Up Genius link:**

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d4ea4aa2daaf85-kids>

If you would like to help with a monetary donation to help pay for the meals we package, there will be a donation box on the information table and at Family Night Dinners. THANKS!



Wednesday nights are Family Nights at CFC!

You are invited to **come and have dinner** with our CFC family on Wednesday night from 5:30-6:30 pm in the FLC gym!

We will need some servers and clean up help each week. You can sign up to provide some serving or clean up assistance at the information table...or at the next meal. You can also sign up through this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d4ea4aa2daaf85-2019>

Come share a meal with your CFC family at 5:30 pm, and then stick around...**we'll have something for all ages at 6:30 pm!**

6:30 pm:

Kids in 1st-5th grades will have fun joining our Circle of Friends.

Middle School Youth Group will dive into Bible Study in the FLC Youth Room.

Join us this week for a great night of fellowship and growing!

Adults can enjoy singing praises with the choir in the Sanctuary...

OR

Join us for Parenting Together!

This five-part curriculum from Birds on a Wire presents some practical lessons from preschool to prom that are designed to help couples strengthen their marriages while also leading their families. We'll stay right in the gym to watch a video and then talk and share the ups and downs of family life.

Whether you're just starting your parenting journey or about to be empty nesters, Parenting Together offers insight and encouragement for staying united as you parent together.



NEW Resurrection Choir for ALL kids and youth who like to sing!!

We are forming a special 'Resurrection Choir' to help celebrate Easter this year. Our 'RC' will have fun learning songs and practice playing a new rhythm instrument called a Boomwhacker!

We will practice on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 pm and Sunday mornings at the beginning of the Discipleship hour at 10:45 am. Our first practice will be on Wednesday, February 12.

If you have any questions contact Becky Schuetz or Mary Akker.

Weather Cancellations

Check with KWQC TV 6

Small Groups

If you are new to the Church and are interested in finding out more information on being part of a small group, please contact Nancy Zylstra or Pastor Brian.

Right Now Media

If you would like to be part of online Bible studies and video resources or videos for children. Contact Pastor Brian to be added to our Right Now Media account. This is a free and all we need is an e-mail address.

We are packing your calendar with great things to do, fun ways to focus on scripture and opportunities to develop as disciples of Christ. For the month of February we are all meeting on Sunday nights to develop our Trivia Night categories. Trivia night is not just a fundraiser, but it is also an opportunity for youth to serve our congregation in a way that provides space for people to invite their friends, family and coworkers to a night of fun and laughter, to build community and friendships.

On Wednesday nights everyone has the opportunity to come, break bread, catch up and spend time in the Word. Middle School and High School are working through the basics of faith and professing our beliefs. Join us as we dive into scripture and foundational texts! Please note that on Wednesday, February 19th, we will be joining our entire church family in packing meals for Kids Against Hunger, please have your family sign up at the information table in the lobby.

Also, mark your calendars for these fun upcoming events planned just for you: LOCK IN!! We will be having a lock in February 15th, Bowling on February 22nd, a Concert at CFC on February 27th and a Game Night at the Schafers on March 27th. Make sure you are regularly reading the bulletin, checking our social media and the website for more events as we add them.

If you have any questions or need to get a ride to any of the events, you can reach Cadena Trusty at cadenatrusty@yahoo.com, (563)320-3456

THANK YOU

CFC's Annual Trivia Night Fundraiser is scheduled for March 1st! Make sure you grab a form from the information desk in the lobby to register yourself or your family. Please provide detailed information if you are registering for childcare.

If you have never participated in Trivia Night we are so excited that you are considering joining us for an evening of fun and laughter. We have teams of 8 compete to prove that they are smarter than our teens! Our teens spend the month prepping and researching questions to present a 10 round trivia, with 10 different categories. Your tables will work together throughout the evening to answer these trivia questions correctly. Throughout the evening we will update the scoreboard and offer mulligan games where you get the chance to win mulligans for your team to use when you just aren't confident with your answer. Then teens also provide childcare, so the evening is a great night for the entire family! Make sure to plan your table's potluck dinner and plan to purchase your drinks at our snack bar!

Youth Ministry

Thank you to everyone that came out to enjoy our Annual Chili Cook Off! It was a lot of fun and you helped raise over \$500 to go towards our MS and HS summer trips. Sandy Houzenga took home the coveted Overall Favorite Chili award and Pastor Brian took home the inaugural Best Dessert award! Thank you to everyone that brought a chili and dessert.



2019 Annual Report for Backyard Ministries

Our ministry continues to grow both in donations being made and requests for assistance – primarily through word of mouth since we do not publicly advertise. We have been able to build relationships with Middle School and High School counselors in Bettendorf, PV, and North Scott school districts as well as Edison Alternative School. Last summer we loaded two complete apartments for single moms with families who had been living in a Domestic Abuse Shelter. While we typically do not take washers and dryers, we had a request and a donation within days of each other so we were able to deliver these to a very happy young mom. Unless we can find 'younger muscles' however, this is not something we can easily do! We also delivered furniture to families through Sonshine Ministries, Safe Families and we worked with another organization that could not fulfill a request. Our reach extended this year to Donohue in Iowa as well as to Moline.

Over and over we see God's hand in our efforts when we get a request one day and within hours get the needed donation! Nan and I just smile and praise God! This year our CFC Prayer Shawl ministry has knitted or crocheted small blankets to wrap around stuffed animals – each with an encouraging message. For the younger children, this has been very well received.

We did experience an unexpected tragedy last spring when our storage unit flooded. We lost much of our furniture but were able to protect linens as they are stored in plastic bins. We hope this water issue has been successfully resolved!

Thank you to all of you who have donated furniture in good shape and household items as well as to those of you who have shared the mission of our ministry with friends and neighbors. Our biggest needs continue to be twin and double beds and mattress protectors and linens to match. For the kitchen, we send out many microwaves, crock pots, toasters and can openers and so are always on the lookout for these items. Currently we could use sofas or loveseats and chairs. If anyone is interested in being added to our list to help make deliveries, please let one of us know. We would DEFINITELY welcome your help!

Trusting in God's love,
Pam Lundgren 563-271-6542
Nan Risius 563-343-0404

Culver's Sundays at the Family Museum

Sundays, Jan. 5 - May 24, 2020
One free adult admission with every child admission purchased!
No other discounts apply. Must be used on day of visit.
Sunday Hours: Noon - 5:00 p.m.
No coupon Needed

Consistory Corner

For the 2020 year, the consistory members areas of service will be:

Elders:

Don Olsen- interim Vice President of Consistory, Personnel

Don Kincaid- Christian Education, Outreach

Sheryl VerMeer- Youth, GAP

Jim Patterson- Worship, Men's Ministry

Nancy Zylstra- Small Groups, Women's Fellowship, Prayer Shawl, Praying the Word.

Deacons:

Pam Lundgren- Chair of Deacons, Serving our Community, Missions, Grief Share

Steve Keller- Hospitality, Fellowship

Greg VerMeer- Daycare, Emergency Preparedness

JT Andringa- Property, Nursery

Calvin Moss- Finance, Meal Service Ministry

If you as a worshipper at CFC would like to be a part of a committee or have a request, please speak to the consistory liaison and they will assist you.

The consistory would like to thank the congregation for their generous support during 2019. We ended 2019 with a surplus of \$6672. Thank you for supporting the work at CFC, in our community, and throughout the world by your generosity.

During our consistory meeting on January 30th, we were made aware that Grief Share leaders are being trained at this time with the plan a session to begin on March 12th.

Women's Fellowship (formerly known as Woven) is working on scheduling 4 dates in 2020 for women to meet.

With a Seder meal being held on March 29th and an event for families scheduled for Palm Sunday, it was decided that the Living Last Supper will not be performed this year. Instead, a service with a time of reflection, scripture, and worship is being planned for Maundy Thursday.

On Sunday, February 2nd, Pastor Brian addressed the congregation about the direction of CFC with his thoughts that at this time we should be considering looking for a new senior pastor. He is not planning to leave our church but looking at the future vision of CFC. The consistory wants to make sure we are following the Lord's leading and so we are asking the congregation to pray for the next 30 days and also consider fasting one meal on Thursdays. We have created bookmarks to help in guiding through the prayer time. These were passed out on Sunday after worship and if you would like one, please see the information table or contact Sheryl VerMeer and she will send you one.

On February 16th, elder Don Kincaid will be giving the message while Pastor Brian is on vacation.

A town hall meeting is planned for late March after our classis meeting to discuss the Vision 2020 being proposed by the RCA.

Thank You

Thank you to all for the prayers, hugs, cards and expressions of sympathy during the ups and downs of my brother Larry's health and now his death. The funeral was a true celebration of his life, many tears but joy in knowing he is healed and praising God.

Judy and Rock Getting



WE HAVE NEW FAMILY TABLE TALKERS FOR FEBRUARY!

The Table Talker theme for February is **LOVING GOD.**

Pick up your Family Table Talker at the Children's Ministry Resource area in the lobby or downstairs in CFC Kids and **get ready for some great family time!!**