

# Reformed *Informer*



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## "I Believe"

"I believe"! There is no more powerful statement when it comes to testifying to the resurrection of Jesus Christ! Easter causes us to bring this to the forefront of our faith! Do you believe that Jesus Christ rose from the dead? Thomas, one of the disciples that became famous for his statement, "Show me Lord, the nail prints in your hands and the scar in your side, if you do this then I will believe!!" Thomas struggled with this fact. He is not the only person that has struggled with being torn with the rational and the step in faith that required a belief in the resurrection of Christ. In fact Jesus acknowledges that fact by saying, "Blessed are those that do not see me physically but believe I have risen from the dead"!

What we see being played out on Easter morning are varying steps of faith that reveal to those who were part of God's salvation plan that Jesus was indeed, alive!

To believe was to acknowledge that Christ did the impossible! To believe, was to celebrate that death did not win! To believe, was to be part of the joy that was promised that your future would be changed forever in Christ. No longer would we be separated from God in death! Sin did not conquer! Christ did! To believe, gave all those who believe in a risen Savior a home in heaven for all eternity.

If you are struggling to believe this Easter, I encourage you to continue your journey with the Living God. God knows your weary heart and your struggle to know Him personally. Christ didn't stop his relationship with Thomas after his personal struggle with faith. Jesus gently taught him and Thomas exclaimed, My Lord and my God!

To those that have held fast to the promise of the resurrection! Live your potential in Christ! Know that your belief in a risen Savior has set you free. The chains of sin no longer bind you! You have been released to experience the glorious life of trusting in a Savior that will take you all the way Home!

I invite everyone who reads this article to Believe!

Happy Easter!  
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**Who: ALL 6th—8th graders**  
**Impact Youth will be meet-  
ing**  
**EVERY SUNDAY at 5:00**  
**pm in the WELL throughout**  
**the year!**  
**March dates:**

**Leaders:** Jeff & Alison Knouse, Caden & Brenna Dunsbergen and Cody & Kelly Kesling

**APRIL DATES:** April 18—Bowling & April 25



**FAITHWALKERS meet at 6:30**  
**pm in the Well**  
**All 9th - 12th Grade invited**  
**Upcoming Events:**

**Our Faithwalker Service will be Sun-  
day, April 18**  
**April Dates:** April 11, April 18—bowling & April 25

**Faithwalkers Youth Group (9th—12th) meets**  
**every Sunday evening from 6—7 pm in the Well**  
**Leaders:** Jeff & Alison Knouse, Cody & Kelly Kes-  
ling and Shawn & ChyAnne Huyser.

April is a bittersweet month for us. We have many things we are looking forward to like the Middle School Retreat and our Youth Service on April 18<sup>th</sup>, but it also means that we are close to the end of our youth group year. In an inconsistent and crazy year the Lord has been good to our youth, and we look forward to what he will still do in the coming weeks! With Easter starting off our month we hope to walk with the knowledge that the tomb is empty, and our God is alive! We can live our lives in full freedom because of what Jesus has done. I hope that you can experience the life-changing message of the Gospel this month and come to know the Lord in deeper ways. Happy Easter!

**Upcoming dates:**

**Sunday, May 2—this will be our last Faithwalkers & Impact meetings for this year—until fall!**

**Sunday, May 16—we will be recognizing our gradu-  
ating seniors during the morning worship.**

**MAGNIFY**  
Middle School Retreat is HAPPENING on April 9-11, 2021! Bradley Rees, a worship leader from Cedar Falls, IA, and the Northwestern College Worship Band will be leading you in the main sessions  
[SYNOBYOUTH.ORG](http://SYNOBYOUTH.ORG) HIDDEN ACRES DAYTON, IA

POWER CONNECTION  
CENTRAL COLLEGE  
PELLA, IOWA  
**WONDER WANDER**  
JUNE 25 - 27, 2021

ROCKY MOUNTAIN HIGH  
JULY 31- AUG 4 | 2021  
**YOU ARE I AM**  
ESTES PARK, CO

**Prayer Breakfast**  
*Free Jesus, and donuts.*  
Every Friday morning at 7:30 am all 9th—12th grade are invited to come for donuts, chocolate milk, orange juice and prayer. Invite your friends! It's a great way to end the school week!





## Children's Ministry

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### HAPPY EASTER

As long as I can remember I have eagerly anticipated Easter Sunday! It is an exciting time for us to share our faith and celebrate our risen Savior! The weekend weather sounds like it will be beautiful to enjoy God's new life in His creation which is an added bonus. Finally, the fact that we are able to worship in person this year makes it double exciting!! We understand if you are not able to worship in person at this time and would like to share the following resource to use with your children: Jesus Storybook Bible Resurrection.

Here is one thought that I would like to share you with as we prepare for the busyness of spring. Some of our fondest memories involve people, not objects. In addition, as the seasons change (even in the midst of storms) we can find the positive. Seasons change, but God remains the same. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. Hebrews 13:8 Happy Easter!

**HE HAS RISEN!! HE HAS RISEN, INDEED!**



### Palm Sunday

Faithseekers Sunday School (1st—5th grade) group singing "Sound of the Saints" & "Days of Elijah"



Looking ahead—Our last day of Sunday school will be Sunday, May 23.



Think warm thoughts - Mark your calendars for July 12-15. Climb aboard for mountains of fun at Rocky Railway! On this faith-filled adventure, as we discover that trusting Jesus pulls us through life's ups and downs. Registration will begin on April 18—please watch your church mailbox for more information! Sign up at <http://sullyfrc.org/vbs-2021/>

## Children's Messages are Back!



### God's Top Ten

1. Put God First
2. Worship Him Only
3. No Bad Words
4. Work 6 Rest 1
5. Obey Your Parents
6. Harm No One
7. Don't Cheat
8. If It's Not Yours, Don't Take It
9. Tell the Truth
10. Don't Be Jealous of Other People's Stuff

The great gift of Easter is hope - Christian hope which makes us have that confidence in God, in his ultimate triumph, and in his goodness and love, which nothing can shake.







**Madison & Trisha Hay**  
**Birthdays:** Madison 4/28/93, Trisha 10/4/92  
 Paisley 7/28/17 and Bentley 10/24/19  
**Anniversary:** September 17, 2021

This month we highlight the Madison Hay family of four who live here in Sully. They enjoy doing activities together, which includes Madison, Trisha, three year old Paisley and Bentley who is one. If the weather is nice, you may catch them out fishing at their local fishing hole in the area as they love to fish!

Madison is the second child of Mark and Kendra Hay of Lynnville. He has one brother, Marshall and his wife Kim, who live in Wichita, Kansas. After graduating from Lynnville-Sully High school in 2012, Madison got his CNC certificate from DMACC. He works for Marion County as an equipment operator.

Trisha is from the Pella area and her parents are Greg and Mary Stump. She also has one sibling, a sister, Kayla Stump and

her two children Johnny and Rayly who live in Pella. Graduating from Pella Christian High School in 2011 and getting her Liberal Arts Degree from DMACC, Trisha is an Administrative Assistant for Bethany Christian Services in Pella.

The pair met on Facebook and were married in September at Faith Christian Reformed Church in Pella.

"We have never felt so welcomed and loved from any other church before until we came to First Reformed in Sully. This is our church family and where we are meant to be!"

Thank you Madison & Trisha Hay for letting us "Get to Know You" better!

## Missions UPDATE



Tom Johnson



### PRAY

- For Tom, his wife, Aïchatou, and their four daughters as they adjust to life and school in the U.S. after 16 years in Niger.
- For travel safety as Tom makes regular trips to Haiti from the U.S.
- For God's guidance as Tom discerns topics and techniques to use for Christian leadership and spiritual development training in Haiti.
- For both the U.S. and Haitian staff who work with Many Hands for Haiti.



### About the ministry

*Whap, whap, whap.* A farmer in Pignon, Haiti, chips at the soil with his hoe, uprooting weeds with each swing. His work makes space for crops, preparing the soil for a good harvest.

Many Hands for Haiti (MH4H) is also working the figurative soil in Pignon. Founded primarily by RCA churches in Iowa in 2017, MH4H has been aiding several communities through agriculture, church leadership, education, evangelism, and health programs.

Tom serves as the spiritual development manager and staff missiologist. He manages all aspects of spiritual and leadership development training. Tom will also be launching MH4H's missionary member care program, which provides needed spiritual and adaptive support for the ministry's personnel who are conducting residential cross-cultural ministry in Haiti.

To learn more or support this ministry visit:  
[www.rca.org/johnson](http://www.rca.org/johnson)



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## April

SCRIPTURE WRITING PLAN

### Repentance & Renewal

Day 1: II Corinthians 6:1-2	Day 16: II Corinthians 7:9-10
Day 2: Revelation 3:19-22	Day 17: I John 2:28
Day 3: Ephesians 5:8	Day 18: I Corinthians 13:11-12
Day 4: Hebrews 10:16-17	Day 19: I John 1:5-10
Day 5: Philippians 1:3-6	Day 20: Hebrews 12:1-3
Day 6: Galatians 6:1-5	Day 21: Titus 3:3-7
Day 7: II Peter 3:13-14	Day 22: I Peter 1:22-23
Day 8: II Timothy 1:12-13	Day 23: I Timothy 1:14-17
Day 9: Philippians 3:13-14	Day 24: Ephesians 6:11
Day 10: James 5:16	Day 25: Hebrews 2:1-4
Day 11: James 5:19-20	Day 26: II Corinthians 13:5
Day 12: II John 9	Day 27: Ephesians 2:1-7
Day 13: I John 3:1-3	Day 28: Ephesians 2:8-10
Day 14: II Corinthians 6:16-18	Day 29: I Peter 3:10-12
Day 15: Hebrews 7:25-27	Day 30: Luke 15:20-24

Commit to spending 10 minutes every day to meditate and reflect on God's Word. Write down what you have gleaned from each day's scripture.

*The Ruffled Manger*



*He is Risen!*



L E E T Y Y V O L S T M H I P  
 P L G M A R V D A D S C Q C N  
 V H E D P C A L I P I R B M U  
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RISEN	ANGEL	CROWN
SALVATION	CALVARY	DISCIPLES
STONE	CHRIST	EMPTY
SUNDAY	CROSS	MARY
TOMB		

**Crown of Thorns Maze**

Use a crayon or pencil to find your way through the crown of thorns.



# EASTER BREAKFAST

**SUNDAY,  
 APRIL 4  
 8:00 - 9:15 AM**



**Come for Cinnamon, Caramel or  
 Caramel Pecan Rolls  
 coffee and juice**







- April 1**  
Andrew Scholten
- April 3**  
David Nikkel
- April 4**  
Glenda Renaud ~ Linda Schnell  
Abby Freese ~ Logan Vos
- April 5**  
Darrell Maasdam ~ Nancy Huyser  
**Donna Brand (84)**
- April 6**  
Mason Dunsbergen ~ Jager Huyser
- April 7**  
Conner Deal
- April 8**  
Karen Hackert ~ Dylan Liekweg  
Roger Van Der Kamp
- April 9**  
Carlene Van Der Pol  
Mariah Vos
- April 11**  
**Carl De Goey (87)**  
Daniel Keen ~ Darrell Zegers  
Case Rozendaal ~ Siara Dunsbergen
- April 12**  
**Dorothy Van Der Kamp (97)**
- April 13**  
Liz Harthoorn ~ Asher Rozendaal

- April 14**  
Sadie Zimmerman
- April 16**  
Makenzy Rozendaal ~ Harlow Vos
- April 18**  
Kayla Van Dyke ~ Deb Van Kooten  
Shaleah Van Wyk
- April 19**  
Tim Vanden Hoek  
Penelope Dunsbergen
- April 20**  
Aubrey Harthoorn  
Cory Van Zante
- April 21**  
**Margaret Vande Krol (94)**  
Lois Vander Leest ~ Amanda Van Zante
- April 22**  
**Audrey Brand (81)**  
Jennifer Torres
- April 24**  
Brent De Jong
- April 25**  
Dale Huyser
- April 26**  
Bryan Freese
- April 28**  
Madison Hay  
Kathryn De Penning
- April 30**  
Dorothy Corell

- April 5**  
Tim & Desiree Hardeman—**18 years**
- April 8**  
Jim & Marlis Van Zante—**49 years**
- April 10**  
Brent & Sandy De Jong—**40 years**
- April 11**  
Mike & Susan Jansen—**41 years**
- April 15**  
Carl & Joyce De Goey—**66 years**
- April 20**  
Rusty & Sharla Van Wyk—**31 years**
- April 25**  
Jaden & Hailey Rolffs—**1 year**
- April 26**  
Arie & Elaine Scholten—**53 years**
- April 27**  
Wayne & Reda Daniels—**8 years**
- April 28**  
Ervin & Linda Arkema—**49 years**
- April 30**  
Mike & Kathy Zylstra—**39 years**



**Thursday, April 1, 7:00 pm**—Maundy Thursday Service with Communion

**Sunday, April 4, 8—9:15 am**—Easter Morning Breakfast in the Gathering Place followed by Easter Morning Worship at 9:30 am and Celebration Coffee time

**Sunday, April 18, 9:30 am**—Faithwalkers Morning Worship Service

**Sunday, May 2, 9:30 am**—Prayer for Crops & Industry

**Sunday, May 16, 9:30 am**—Graduation Sunday

MEAL MINISTRY

Donations Needed

DRY GOODS	FRESH OR FROZEN GOODS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8 - 9 x13 metal pans (lids optional)</li> <li>8 - 8X8 metal pans (lids optional)</li> <li>2 bags of dry, uncooked egg noodles (not frozen)</li> <li>3 (15 oz) cans of corn</li> <li>3 cans cream of mushroom soup</li> <li>1 large white onions</li> <li>8 cups chicken broth</li> <li>4 cups regular long grain white rice(not minute rice)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6 lbs boneless, skinless chicken breasts</li> <li>1 bag of large carrots</li> <li>1 bag celery stalks</li> <li>1/2 gallon 2% milk</li> <li>1 box Unsalted butter</li> <li>2 lbs. ground pork</li> <li>2 cups sour cream</li> <li>6 cups shredded cheddar cheese</li> <li>12 eggs</li> <li>6 cups ricotta cheese</li> <li>12 cups mozzarella</li> <li>3 - 16 oz bags frozen broccoli</li> </ul>

WE WILL BE MAKING MEALS  
APRIL 10

# April 2021 PRAYER CALENDAR

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Carleen Maasdam	2 Craig & Barb Maasdam	3 Curtis & Chadera Maasdam
4 Darrell & Susan Maasdam	5 Denamae Maasdam	6 Doug, Shawna, Brett & Kaylee Maasdam	7 Dwayne, Janelle, Zachary & Taylor Maasdam	8 Joyce Mackenzie	9 Ron McKeag	10 Ryan, Carrie, Dayton & Brock Mortvedt
11 Nate, Lindsay & Parker Nees	12 Alan, Brenda & Elana Newell	13 Austin & Lysandra Newell	14 David, Monica, Katelyn, Alivia, Colton & Mason Nikkel	15 Don, Hollie, Zoey, HarLee & Blane Nunnikhoven	16 Dwayne Ramer	17 Dennis & Melanie Renaud
18 Keith & Glenda Renaud	19 Ruth Renaud	20 Jaden & Hailey Rolffs	21 Scott & Valerie Rolffs	22 Gary & Janice Roorda	23 Dylan & Jodie Roozeboom	24 John & Julie Roozeboom
25 Alvin & Shirley Rozendaal	26 Brad, Stephanie, Ashton & Owen Rozendaal	27 Brent Rozendaal	28 Earl & Marcia Rozendaal	29 Ellen Ann Rozendaal	30 Harold & Velma Rozendaal	

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# April

# 2021 ACTIVITY CALENDAR

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 7 pm Maundy Thursday with Communion Service	2	3
4 8:-9:15 am Easter Breakfast 9:30 am Pastor Wayne Sneller 10:45 am Celebration Coffeetime 12 pm Reunion in the Well No Sunday School No Youth Activities	5	6	7	8	9 7:30 am Prayer Breakfast  <b>Middle School Retreat in Dayton, IA—April 9—11</b>	10 8—1 pm Shower in the Gathering Place
11 9:30 am Pastor Wayne Sneller 10:45 am Sunday School 6:30 pm Faithwalkers	12	13	14	15	16 7:30 am Prayer Breakfast	17
18 9:30 am Faithwalker Service 10:45 am Sunday School Bowling for Impact & Faithwalkers	19	20	21 6:30 pm Elder Mtg. 6:45 pm Deacon Mtg. 7:30 pm Consistory Mtg.	22 5 pm LS Music & Drama Banquet in the Gathering Place	23 7:30 am Prayer Breakfast	24
25 9:30 am Pastor Wayne Sneller 10:45 am Sunday School 10:45 am Informational Meetings—Future of RCA 5 pm Impact Youth 6:30 pm Faithwalkers	26 3:30 pm Clover Kids 4H in the Well	27	28	29	30 7:30 am Prayer Breakfast	