

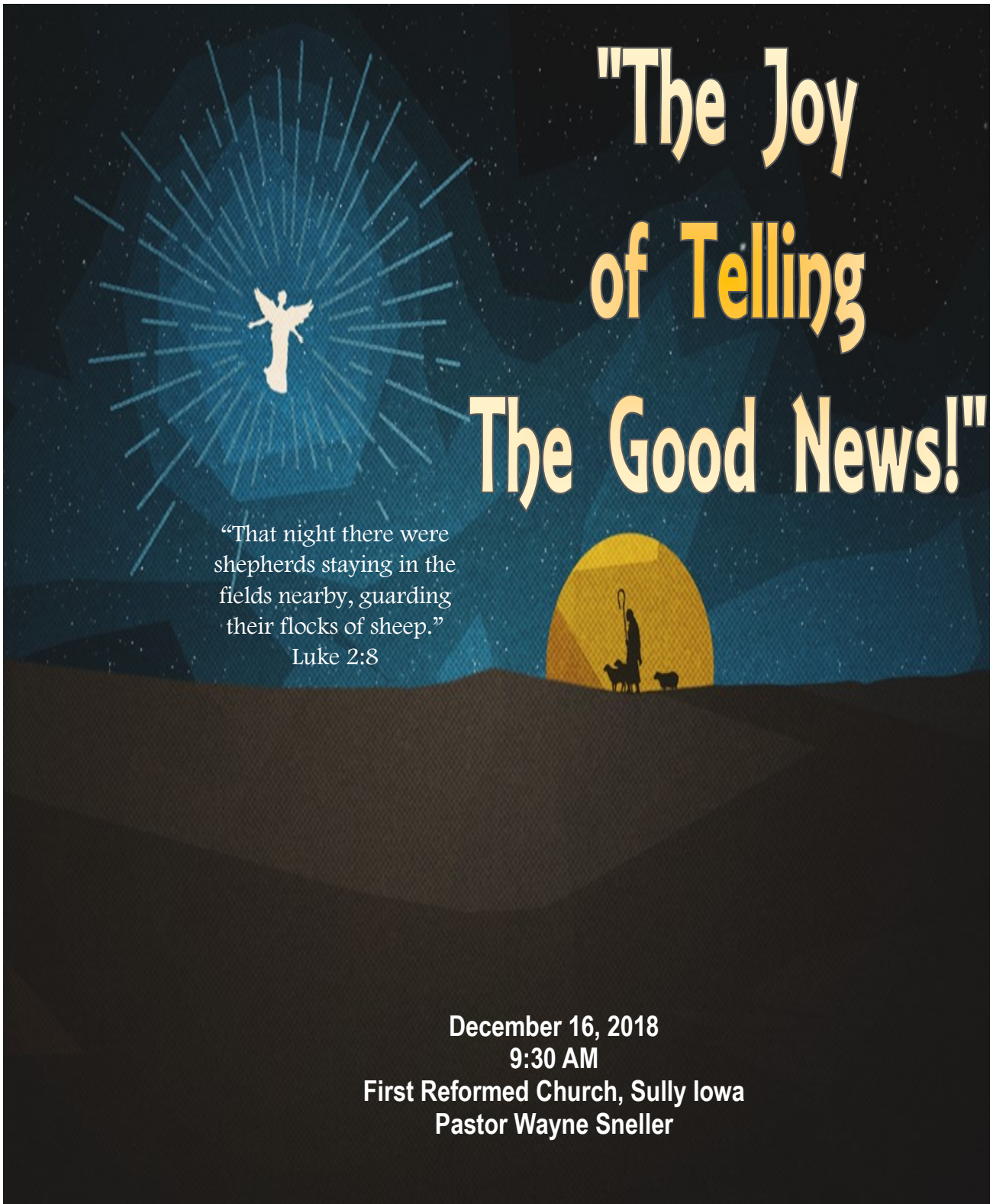


2018
Candlelight Service
Sunday, December 16
6:00 pm
in the Sanctuary

Please join us **TONIGHT at 6:00 pm** for our Candlelight Service. The youth will be setting up luminaries around the church prior to the service. Pastor Wayne and Tammy have put together a service that the FRC Staff will participate and be a part of. Come hear the Christmas story through scripture and song. **Coffee time & fellowship will follow in the Gathering Place.**



We are excited to announce that the first books have been purchased with a \$250 grant that was awarded to start a Children's Library here at FRC. You can **help grow our Library** by selecting a **tag off of the white Christmas tree** in the Gathering Place which has a book listed for you to purchase. Please return the book you purchased to Julie Van Manen, Children's Ministry Director by January 1. Thank you for blessing this ministry!



**"The Joy
of Telling
The Good News!"**

"That night there were shepherds staying in the fields nearby, guarding their flocks of sheep."
Luke 2:8

December 16, 2018
9:30 AM
First Reformed Church, Sully Iowa
Pastor Wayne Sneller

**First Reformed Church
Morning Worship * 9:30 a.m. * December 16, 2018
3rd Sunday in Advent—Shepherds’
Pastor Wayne Sneller**

Prelude *"Unto Us"*Praise Team

Welcome

THE APPROACH TO GOD

*Call to Worship

Hymns of Praise *"Joy to the World!"*

Lighting of the **Shepherds’ Candle**.....Ryk & Jan De Goey

* *"The First Noel"*

*Worship Prayer

Children’s MessagePuppet Ministry

(3 yr. olds thru 1st grade dismissed for Children in Worship Activities- Legacy Addition basement! Pick up children after worship in basement by the elevator in the Gathering Place)

Announcements

Congregational/Offertory Prayer

Offertory *"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"*

THE WORD OF GOD

ScriptureLuke 2:8-12, 15-17, 20(pg.830)

Message **"The Joy of Telling the Good News"**Pastor Wayne Sneller

THE RESPONSE TO GOD

*Closing Hymn *"The Birthday of a King"*

*Benediction

*Response *"Offering"*

POSTLUDEPraise Team

*Indicates standing if able *CCLI License # 790003

*There will be a time of coffee and fellowship after the service this morning in the Gathering Place fellowship hall.

*We Livestream all our services at www.sullyfrc.org to watch online.

"The Joy of Telling the Good News"

Luke 2:8-12, 15-17, 20

Pastor Wayne Sneller

9:30 a.m.

December 16, 2018

How do we get started telling the Good News that Jesus is the Good News?
"When they had seen Him, they (shepherds) spread the word concerning what had been told them concerning this child." Luke 2:17

1. If I want to tell the Good News I must _____ it myself!

- How does the Good News become great joy?
- Good news becomes great joy when it becomes _____! "Be full of joy in the Lord always." Philippians 4:4
- The Good News is that Jesus Christ has _____ me and has given me the gift of _____.

2. I must take _____ to tell the Good News.

- I've got to _____ the time.
- The shepherds _____ their flocks and went to see Jesus.
- What are we using as an _____ that is holding us back to see the Savior of lives? *"Come to me, all you are weary and burdened and I will give you rest!" Matthew 11:28*

3. I must _____ to do it? "Let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing the Lord has told us about!" Luke 2:15

- Because they _____, the shepherds saw Jesus!
- How can we plan to share the Good News?
 - _____ for friends and family
 - _____ to your kids
 - _____ someone
 - _____ someone hope
 - _____ someone to church

4. I must _____ God with the Good News!

- It's _____ Good News! *"The Savior, yes the Messiah, the Lord has been born today in Bethlehem." Luke 2:11*
- Trust God on His part and _____ it to God to _____ lives.

Let us enjoy the Good News like we never have before!

Consistory Notes
December 12, 2018

Our meeting opened with prayer and devotions led by Pastor Wayne.

The elders reviewed their Care Team and Communion assignments. Communion will be celebrated January 13, 2019.

A thank you was extended to elders completing their three year terms: Ervin Arkema, Bob Scandridge and Melvin Van Genderen.

Pastor Wayne shared a review of the congregation calling ministry.

The deacons shared the November giving: General—\$25,259.60; General fund balance—\$119,985.10; Mission—\$17,764.50 (Thanksgiving offering was \$16,985.50); Mission fund balance—\$11,257.27; Sunday school—\$516.76; Building fund—\$11,171.42; Building fund balance—\$61,594.48.

Thanksgiving disbursements were as follows:

Lakeview Camp (\$1000)	New Life Prison Church (\$500)
House of Mercy (\$1000)	Hope Ministries (\$500)
Northwestern College (\$500)	Christian Opportunity Center (\$500)
Teen Challenge (\$500)	Bethany Christian Services (\$500)
KCWN (\$500)	TEC (\$500)
Talking Bibles (\$1000)	Meggan & Pavlos Vasileiadis (\$1000)
Samaritans Purse (\$500)	Faithwalkers (\$1000) Impact (\$1000)
Lynnville Sully Schools—support people in need—lunch fund (\$500)	

Mission shares for RCA Missionaries were increased for 1/2 of a mission share to \$3,350 (up from \$3,200)

Committee reports:

Building & Grounds: Parking lot project—\$186,149.68. Sealing and parking lines will be done in the spring.

Inter-church Relations: Rededication Services will be held tentatively on August 18, 2019 with Rev. Bryan Van Soelen as the speaker.

The Executive Committee presented names for the 2019 committees which were approved.

Van Committee: Van routes were started again on December 1. At this time only one person is riding. Due to the small demand of ridership, private transportation will be used at this time.

New business: Auditors for 2019 will be Ryan Van Kooten and Chris Hansen. Tax declarations for Pastor Wayne were approved for IRS purposes. Care Teams and assignments were reviewed. Constitutional Questions were read and approved for denominational record keeping of the spiritual health of the church. These will be forwarded to Classis.

Information: New elder and deacon orientation training was held December 9 by Pastor Wayne. A consistory supper for all consistory members and spouses (incoming, current and outgoing) and staff will be held at church on January 2, 2019. Our 2019 Consistory Retreat will be held at church on Saturday, January 26, 2019.

God is good!

For the Consistory

Pastor Wayne

PRAYER CORNER

Church Family

- **Donna Liekweg** had back surgery this past Tuesday, December 11 at Methodist West Hospital in Des Moines. Please pray for good results to take her back pain away that she has had for over a year. She was able to return home on Wednesday, December 12 and is getting along well.
- **Karna Ver Ploeg** had emergency surgery for a ruptured appendix Thursday, December 13 at Pella Regional Health Center. Praying for a speedy recovery.

Sunday School Christmas Project

The entire **Sunday School** department has a goal to raise **\$500** for a special **Christmas offering to buy some farm animals for children through World Vision**. The offering for this project will **conclude TODAY!**

EAST JASPER CHRISTIAN FOOD PANTRY: As you begin to make plans for all the wonderful celebrations you have during Christmas, the East Jasper Christian Food Pantry would ask you to think of families that won't have the same vision of a festive dinner with all the trimmings. Perhaps your family would like to donate a Christmas meal to a family in need. The **cost of that meal is around \$25.00** and **would include the following items:** Turkey or Ham, Biscuits, dressing, margarine, 2 gravy, cake mix, boxed potatoes, frosting, fruit juice, crackers, canned corn, beans & fruit, cheese, noodles, eggs and jello. If you are interested in expressing your Christian love by donating \$25 to East Jasper Christian Food Pantry to provide a Christmas meal to a family in need, **please contact Julie Dunsbergen at 641-521-1175.**

CHURCH TREASURERS: A reminder for all treasurers to turn in your books, and financial reports for 2018, bank statements and cancelled checks to the church office for our annual report and for auditing by **January 6, 2019.**

***Our Christmas Offering this year is going to the Mission Fund.** Your offering envelope is in your mailbox.

FAMILY NIGHT IS IN NEED OF HELP

Donations needed: Please drop off in the Legacy Kitchen

Hamburger	Peanut butter	Tomato Juice	Spaghetti noodles
Butter	Walmart or Fareway gift cards	Macaroni noodles	

ATTENTION USHERS: New 2019 usher schedules are in your church mailbox



The **Sully FRC Youth groups** would like to thank you for your support for the recent soup dinner and bake sale. Your support is very much appreciated. The donations for the soup dinner that day were **\$2,000**. Our **IMPACT Bake Sale** donations totaled around **\$350** Thank you so much for all of your support!

MORNING SCHEDULES 2018

DATE	SIDE AISLE	CENTER AISLE	WING
December 16	Don Nunnikhoven Dwayne Maasdam	Kevin Terlouw Scott Rolffs	Jeff Vander Molen Ken Van Soelen
December 23	Nathan Young Doug Maasdam	Jeremy Vander Molen Mitchell Bryan	Jacob Van Manen Tyler Jansen

December 16		December 23
Joni Collins Marla Van Rees Corey Kramer Elana Newell	INFANT & TODDLER NURSERY	Kaila Harsselaar Liz Harthoorn Corrina Rozendaal Krystal Van Dyke
Parents: Jeremy & Becky Rozendaal Storyteller: Marlis Van Zante Leader: Steph Young	CHILDREN IN WORSHIP	Parents: David & Monica Nikkel Storyteller: Gerald Droppert Leader: Shawna Maasdam
Cheyenne Collins	LIVE STREAM	Ross Van Wyk
Kaylee Maasdam	PROJECTION	Teryl Ver Ploeg
Nick & Hannah De Penning	WELCOME CENTER	Sandy De Jong
Tim Dunsbergen Gerry Van Dyke	VALET PARKERS	Shawn Huyser Nathan Young

NOVEMBER 25– MARCH 2018 – NO GREETERS

Due to the fact that the “flu bug” is making its way around. We will discontinue hand shaking for now. Please greet your neighbor with a friendly smile and hello!

NURSERY INFORMATION:

Please contact Hollie Nunnikhoven at sullyfrcnursery@gmail.com if you would be willing to help out with this ministry! Nursery alert pagers are available in the nursery at check-in!

A nursery is provided from birth to age 3. Our nurseries are located right next to the Welcome Center located on the south east corner of the new addition.

Children in Worship Activities—3 year old—1st grade are dismissed during the service and meets downstairs (stairway in the Gathering Place by the elevator)

*Guests please stop by the Welcome table to find out more about First Reformed Church!

*The AED Defibrillator is located in the church office on the 2nd shelf on east wall

Weekly Calendar at Sully 1st Reformed for the week of December 16—23, 2018

Sunday December 16	9:30 am Morning Worship - Pastor Wayne Sneller 10:45 am Sunday School for All ages 4:59 pm IMPACT youth group—Christmas party 6:00 pm Christmas Candlelight Service in the Sanctuary. Coffee time will follow in the Gathering Place 6:27 pm Faithwalker youth group—Christmas Party 7:15 pm Young Couples Bible Study at Joel & Liz Harthoorn's
Monday December 17	6:30 pm Inspirations Preschool Christmas Program
Tuesday December 18	
Wednesday December 19	5:45 am Promise Keepers Bible Study 6:30 pm Junior High and High School will be Christmas Caroling
Thursday December 20	
Friday December 21	7:30 am Prayer Breakfast—9th –12th grade
Saturday December 22	10—3 pm Reunion in the Gathering Place 3—10 pm Reunion in the Gathering Place
Sunday December 23	9:30 am Morning Worship - Pastor Wayne Sneller NO SUNDAY SCHOOL TODAY! NO EVENING WORSHIP



Sunday December 23 & 30 – NO Sunday school classes and NO Evening Worship services.

Tuesday, December 25, 10 am – Christmas Day Service

Sunday, December 30, 9:30 am—Quarterly Building Fund Offering will be taken

Wednesday, January 2, 6:30 pm—Consistory/Staff Supper in the Gathering Place

Wednesday, January 9, 3:30 pm —STARS Afterschool program starts up!

Sewing Days are scheduled for **January 8 & 22, February 5 & 19 and March 5** beginning at 9:00 a.m.



In case of inclement winter weather the decision to **cancel services will be made by 7:30 a.m. for the morning service and 3 p.m. for the evening service.** Church meetings will be cancelled if the Lynnville-Sully School cancels classes or is dismissed early for bad weather. Cancellations will be announced on KGRN, KCCI, WHO TV and www.sullyfrc.org, through our FRC email list and now TEXT ALERTS!



SIGN UP for TEXT ALERTS on our website at sullyfrc.org on the home page under the service times (join FRC Text)! You will then be notified by a text when services are cancelled! You can also sign up for volunteer opportunities as well!

CONSISTORY

Rev. Wayne Sneller, President

ELDERS

Ervin Arkema (18)
Bob Scandridge (18)
Melvin Van Genderen (18)
Kurt Harthoorn (19)
Chuck Johnson (19)
Jeff Van Wyk (19)
Gerald Droppert (20)
Dennis Dunsbergen (20)
Mark Scholten (20)

DEACONS

Nick Harthoorn (18)
Jeremy Rozendaal (18)
Rusty Van Wyk (18)
Dan Dykema (19)
Kendall Jansen (19)
Rod Rozendaal (19)
Andy Dunsbergen (20)
Duane Van Rees (20)
Cole Vos (20)

OFFICERS OF CONSISTORY

Vice President – Ervin Arkema (18)

Clerk – Kurt Harthoorn (19)

Deacon Chairman – Rusty Van Wyk (18)

Deacon Secretary – Nick Harthoorn (18)

General/Maintenance Fund Treasurer – Kendall Jansen (19)

Ass't General Fund Treasurer – Duane Van Rees (20)

Mission Fund Treasurer – Jeremy Rozendaal (18)

Ass't Mission Fund Treasurer – Dan Dykema (19)

Youth & Education Director

Jeff Knouse

Children's Ministry Director

Julie Van Manen

COMMITTEE CHAIR PERSONS AND CONTACT PERSONS

Church Office – 641-594-2935 or email: frcsully@netins.net

Secretaries – Deb Van Kooten & Deb Van Wyk Bookkeeper – Sharla Van Wyk

Custodian – Rod Zuidema STARS Coordinator – Julie Van Manen

Newsletter Editor – church office frcsully@netins.net

Christian Education – Gerald Droppert

Calendar Activities – Church office

Worship Committee – Pastor Wayne Sneller

Secretary/Custodial – Ervin Arkema

Greeters/Ushers – Bob Scandridge

Pulpit Supply – Ervin Arkema

Sound System – Donavon De Penning

Van Committee – Kendall Jansen

Women with Purpose – Elaine Scholten

Church Nursery – Hollie Nunnikhoven

Food Committee – Bruce & Lynn Dunsbergen

1st & 3rd Sunday Custodian – Donavon De Penning

Coffee Time Committee – Beryl & Velda Dunsbergen

Kidz Movie Nite – Lynn Dunsbergen

Buildings & Grounds – Rod Rozendaal

Website Updates – Church office

Welcome Committee – Chuck Johnson

Request Shut-in Communion – Rod Zuidema

Music Committee – Dennis Dunsbergen

Service Committee – Deb Johnson

Legacy Kitchen – Shirley Dunsbergen

“The Well” Kitchen – Barb Jansen

The Well Kitchen Rental Chairman – Lynn Dunsbergen

Fellowship – Kurt Harthoorn

Power Point Projection – Teryl Ver Ploeg

Audio/Visual – Josh Rozendaal

Hospital Equipment – Jeff Vander Molen

Route 45 – Justine Wyma

⇒ Your children can be picked up at 11:30 a.m. each Sunday.

⇒ An offering will be collected each Sunday. This is a great way to teach kids how to tithe.

⇒ All kids in Children in Worship downstairs will be led to opening exercises.

Beginner Department - 3 year old—Kindergarten

Lynn Dunsbergen & Cayla Wichhart *Opening exercises east side of basement room #8 & 9*

3 year olds – Room #9 (Little Lambs) - *Hands on Bible—Teach as Jesus Taught*

Teachers: Amy Harthoorn & Suzanne Rozendaal Marlene Rozendaal & Lisa Dunsbergen

4 year olds – Room #7 (Zacchaeus' Treehouse) *Hands on Bible—Teach as Jesus Taught*

Teachers: Annette Zimmerman & Kara Warrick, Monica Nikkel & Elaine Droppert

Pre – Kindergarten – Children in worship area – Room #10 (Builders) *Scripture Press: We See God's Care; We Can Care for Others; We Can Show Thanks*

Teachers: Cayla Wichhart, Steph Young, Ryanne Jansen & Cathryn Dunsbergen

Primary Department—1st—4th Grade

Primary Department – Dawn Schechinger & Monica Nikkel - *Opening Exercises Rm. #6- West side-*

Kid Connection: Hands & Feet for Creation; Boredom; Is Your Camel Clean

1st Grade – Room # 4 (Lion's Den) Teachers: Carrie Mortvedt & Dawn Schechinger

2nd Grade – Room #3 (Commandment Center) Teachers: Joni Collins & Julie Van Wyk

3rd & 4th Grade- Room #1 (Creation Station) Teachers: Verlan Brand & Julie Van Manen

Middle School—5th—8th grade

ChyAnne & Dylann Huyser (The Lighthouse -opening exercises upstairs above wing)

5th & 6th Grade – The Lighthouse—*Scripture Press: God Makes a World; Sin Enters the World; The Flood*

& Tower Teachers: Nick De Penning, Mel Vos & Tim Vanden Hoek

7th & 8th Grade – The Lighthouse—*Dive: What is Being a Christian All About; What's with All the Rules*

Teachers: Bob Scandridge

High School—9th—12th grade

9th & 10th Grade – The Well (west side of basement) Teacher: Kurt Harthoorn—*Heidelberg Catechism*

11th & 12th Grade – The Well (east side of basement) Teachers: Ryan Mortvedt - *Bible In Life*

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL OPPORTUNITIES

Adult Sunday school –meet in the Legacy Center “Daniel: Spiritual Living in a Secular World”

Gary Van Genderen, Ervin Arkema, Jennifer Kramer & Chad Fikse

Sunday Evening Youth Groups

IMPACT Youth (6th—8th grade) - meet at 4:59 pm—Jeff Knouse, Denny & Donna Liekweg, Caden

Dunsbergen & Hailey Scandridge

Faithwalkers—(9th-12th grade) - meet at 6:27 pm—Jeff & Alison Knouse, Brent & Sandy De Jong &

Cale & Kendra Van Wyk

Wednesday Night Small Groups

6th—8th Grade—6:15 pm in the Well—Nick De Penning

9th – 12th Grade—6:45 pm in the Lighthouse—Gerald Droppert