

# LYNNVILLE FRIENDS CHURCH



## *A Letter From The Pastor*

BY JAMIE BOGAARD

In October I had the privilege of attending the Pastor's Retreat held at Camp Quaker Heights. On Friday and Saturday I enjoyed some interaction so some fellow pastors but also some times of solitude. I spent time reading as well as catching football with some of the other pastors. I was able to take in God's beauty in the change of season as I rode my bike and ran around the area and admired the tapestry of color with the changing leaves. No one paints such a masterpiece as God!

Sunday night brought an introduction of our speaker, Ron, who would speak to us over the next couple of days about ministry in a small church in small towns. He had a lot of good things to say about small churches. Ron was very careful not to bash a large church as we all have our advantages and disadvantages but ultimately are both focused on winning lives for Jesus Christ.

So exactly who are we as a small church in a small town? What advantages do we have over a large church? How do we capitalize on our size? Are we doing the best that we can as a small church?

These are great questions that we all need to wrestle with together. As we continue to move forward into 2020 how can we best grow hearts to know Jesus more and how do we welcome and encourage new people into our church? Who are we and how do we best serve God in Lynnville and the surrounding areas?

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These are the questions that the elders and I are working to answer with God's help. We also want your input as we go through this process as God also speaks through his people. That is why we are offering four nights of Focus groups. One of them is already filled but openings remain at the other three. Make sure you contact the office and get signed up for one of our remaining nights; Tuesday, December 10 at Smokin' J's or Tuesday, November 12 & December 3 at Pizza Ranch in Grinnell. Your meal will be provided for you. If you have any questions please ask an elder (Joel Rozendaal, Don Van Genderen, Scott Van Soelen, Curt Dunsbergen or Dwight Harsselaar) or myself. The meetings will start at 6:30 and hopefully wrap up by 8:00. Thank you for your participation.



## USFW OCTOBER 2019

On Monday, October 14th, the following ladies met at Lyn Kinney's home: Reggie Kaldenberg, Garnet Gertsma, Bev Flander, Ronda Lanser, and Lyn.

Lyn opened with prayer.

Lyn passed around the card book. We have sent out 15 cards this past month. Treasurer, Ronda Lanser, explained the monies we have left. She also read what our State USFW Treasure, Lila Smith, had written us concerning our 'never cashed' checks. Ronda will be writing checks and sending the details to Lila Smith. We decided to send all the International monies for the year. We will keep back enough money to give One Child for our sponsored child's fees for the coming year.

Reggie Kaldenberg, our One Child Correspondent, read the most recent letter from Yeimi. She colored Thank you and one side of the paper and then wrote on the other side about her family. She liked the stickers Reggie sends her. She also appreciates the prayers for her family. Lyn Kinney had received an email concerning Yeimi's Christmas gift of \$25. We decided we will wait until they send us a form to give for the gift. That way all the numbers/information will be on the form and should not get mixed up or lost.

Bev Flander, Vice President, reported on the church council meeting she attended. It was decided NOT TO HAVE A NOVEMBER MEETING. We won't be sending any more money until December, if then.

Meeting adjourned.

Lyn Kinney, October 15, 2019

# CALENDAR ITEMS

# November

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

SATURDAY GIFT

### ANNIVERSARIES

2nd: Travis & Sarah Turnbull  
 6th: Kyle & Tamara Terpstra

### MEETINGS AND OTHER DATES TO REMEMBER

4th: Missons & Trustees  
 14th: Church Council  
 17th: Young Friends & Operation Christmas Child due  
 21st: Elders meeting @ 7:00

### BIRTHDAYS

1st: Craig James  
 3rd: Sara Van Wyk, Caleb James, Becca Vos  
 5th: Angie Braafhart, Casey Kaldenberg  
 6th: Glenn Lewis  
 8th: Matt James  
 12th: Corbin James  
 17th: Angel Dunsbergen  
 18th: Bonnie Van Rees  
 19th: Elly Merten  
 22nd: Denny Zylstra  
 23rd: Betty Spangenburg, Ryan Hofer, Travis Turnbull  
 24th: Jason Allbee, Rod Van Maanen  
 25th: Darin Hofer

### NOVEMBER WORKERS

Greeters

November 3

Front Entrance: Jim & Jane Vander Weerdt

Canopy: Keith Vos

November 10

Front Entrance: Brandon & Melissa Ver Meer

Canopy: Virginia Vos

November 17

Front Entrance: Verlan & Lori Vos

Canopy: Curt & Donna Zylstra

November 24

Front Entrance: Denny & Dot Zylstra  
 Canopy: Angie Dillon

Nursery

November 3:

Joel & Jen Rozendaal

November 10:

Wade & Kaylene Rodgers

November 17:

Beth Steenhoek & Eunie Scholten

November 24:

Jack & Barb Suiter & Jr High helper