



Announcements & Upcoming Events

June 7, 2026

THIS WEEK'S OPPORTUNITIES

(June 7 - 13)

Sunday	9:30 AM - Worship / Communion Service 1:30 PM - VBS Volunteers Meeting - Fellowship Hall
Monday	9:00 AM - Union Vacation Bible School 7:00 PM - Council Meeting 7:30 PM - Consistory Meeting 7:30 PM - Deacons Meeting
Tuesday	6:15 AM - Daybreak Prayer & Share Time Hostess: Kathy R. @ Kathy's house 9:00 AM - Union Vacation Bible School
Wednesday	9:00 AM - Union Vacation Bible School 6:30 PM - Prayer Time - Rm. 102
Thursday	9:00 AM - Union Vacation Bible School 12:00 PM - Announcement Deadline
Friday	9:00 AM - Union Vacation Bible School 10:00 AM - Prayer Sheet Deadline

SUNDAY, JUNE 7

LIBRARY VOLUNTEER (for the week):
Sherry Groenenboom

NURSERY ATTENDANTS:
Nicole Nikkel
Abby Melvin
Harris Ochsner

USHERS FOR THE JUNE:
Neva Groenendyk, Kurt Stout,
Ken Tukker, Kevin Van Arendonk

OFFERING CAUSE FOR JUNE 7:
Pella Christian Schools

NEXT SUNDAY, JUNE 14

LIBRARY VOLUNTEER (for the week):
Anne & Ethan Bandstra

NURSERY ATTENDANTS:
Jonie Arends
Ezra Ochsner
Brady Melvin

USHERS FOR THE JUNE:
Neva Groenendyk, Kurt Stout,
Ken Tukker, Kevin Van Arendonk

OFFERING CAUSE FOR JUNE 14:
City Church (Compton, CA)

UPCOMING WORSHIP SERVICES

To help you prepare your heart and mind for worship, below are the passages/theme that we will be studying in our upcoming worship services.

6/7	Matthew 9:1-13 The Family Resemblance
6/14	Matthew 9:35-10:8 A Compassionate Kingdom
6/21	Genesis 28:10-22 The Lord Is in This Place

FROM COUNCIL

Names were selected by lot for new Elders and Deacons on Sunday, May 31. Those selected were:

Elders: Lee Talma, John Verburg, Marianne Vink, and Charlie Zylstra
Deacons: Ken Meinders, Melanie Meinders, and Mark Van Gorp

- Jon and Trista Vander Wal will begin living in the Hospitality House in mid to late June and will be staying for several months.
- Beginning June 14, all church doors will be locked on Sundays between 9:40 - 10:30 AM, except the main outside entrance doors on the south side as part of our new security protocol explained at the congregational meeting on 5/3. A church greeter will monitor the entrance, and members can still unlock the doors with their key fob or card if needed.

CONGREGATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

VBS MEETING—1:30 PM TODAY—Any VBS volunteers who would like to pray over VBS together are welcome to join all the "in-person" volunteers (Teachers, helpers, crafts, rec, registration, and kitchen) at the beginning of their 1:30 p.m. meeting. After the meeting, we will begin decorating the church at 2 p.m. All "in-person" volunteers will need to attend to go over safe church policies and procedures, teachers and helpers should remain to decorate their classrooms.

VBS IS IN NEED OF empty tin cans (120) and cool whip containers (80 - no lids). For the tin cans, we request the normal vegetable-size cans, well-cleaned, no labels, and, if possible, no sharp edges. We will take ANY amount you can offer! Place your donations in the bins on the VBS table.

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60+ DAY TRIP ON WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24—All Faith Church members over 60 years of age are invited to **daytrip** join us for a day of fun and fellowship as we stay close to home and visit various places of interest in Oskaloosa. We will leave church at 9:00 a.m. and plan to be back by 5:00 p.m. Our stops include tours at Interpower Corporation, the McNeill Stone Mansion, Tram Trails, and Nelson Pioneer Farm, with lunch at Taso's and the final stop being Frosty Udders on our way back to Pella. The cost for the day is \$20 per person for transportation and tour admissions plus the cost of your lunch and ice cream choices. An information sheet is in your mailboxes. To join us, sign the sheet on the information desk by June 16. If you have questions, contact Linda Jansen or Bonnie Verburg.

WE ARE PLANNING SOME “FAITH SUMMER FUN” activities for this summer. Our first event will be a cornhole tournament on the evening of Sunday, June 28. Please feel free to sign up as a team to compete on the information desk or by using the QR code on the flyer by June 21. Our evening will include a potluck (hot dogs provided). Registration is only required for teams who would like to compete. All are welcome to attend and enjoy our Faith community and the potluck. See the flyer for more details!

Also: If anyone has a cornhole set we could borrow for that evening, please let us know!

Faith Summer Fun Team:

Miranda Nikkel, Jean De Vries, Karlene Vander Wilt

Faith Summer Fun
CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT
 BAGS * BOARDS * BONDING
Sunday, June 28
 Check-in Begins at 4:30
 Bags Fly at 5:00 PM
 Potluck at 6:00 PM
Faith Church Backyard
 Bring a dish to share & your chair!
 Register teams here
 Pre-registration for teams required by June 21
 Boards and bags provided
 Potluck meal (hot dogs provided)

REQUEST FROM CARY CHRISTIAN CENTER: We need your help - We are having our summer Bible school program for the next 6 weeks and have about 130 children attending. That is a lot of juice boxes and we are wondering if you would be willing to donate money towards this project. If you are interested in helping us, you can give cash or check to Jean DeWaard and we can order the juice boxes from Sam's Club and have them delivered right to the Center. Thank you for your help.

SAVE THE DATE 60+ DAY TRIP—We are planning a fun and interesting day on Wednesday, July 15. We will be making several stops in Van Buren County leaving at 7:00 a.m. and be back around 5:30 p.m. Mark your calendars and watch for more details next week.

THANK YOU

Dear Faith CRC, Pella Deacons, and Church Family,
 Thank you for your gift of \$1,424, received on May 26. We are grateful for the ways you choose to invest in girls through the GEMS ministry.

Because of your generosity, girls are being mentored, disciplined, and reminded of their God-given worth. Your support helps place caring Christian women in girls' lives, equips leaders with a strong biblical curriculum and training, and ensures girls around the world hear the truth of the gospel in meaningful, age-appropriate ways.

GEMS exists to help girls know Jesus, grow in faith, and live out Micah 6:8 in everyday life. Your church's partnership makes that possible—one girl at a time. We depend on your donations to sustain this ministry.

Thank you for standing with us in this ministry. We are honored to serve alongside you and grateful for your prayers and support.

With gratitude,
 Jill Postma
 GEMS Director of Finance

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

IMANI MILELE CHILDREN'S CHOIR FROM UGANDA will be performing at Liberty E-Free Church, 684 198th Ave., Pella, on Thursday, June 11 at 6:30 p.m. There will be singing, African drumming, dancing, immersive praise, and worship. Admission is free. Bring the entire family!

FREE GOSPEL MUSIC CONCERT—First Church Pella invites you to a night of gospel music. This free concert features Timothy Noble and his wife Hosanna, a singing pianist and violinist with the goal of glorifying God through their music. The concert will be held on Sunday, June 14 at 6 p.m. at 605 Broadway Street.

Church Announcements — 6/7/26

TRACTOR RIDE—The 2026 Peoria School Circle tractor ride will be Saturday, June 13, and start at Peoria Christian Grade School. Registration for the ride will be \$35. There will be a wagon for those who would like to ride along but don't have a tractor handy. We will have coffee and donuts during registration from 8:00 to 8:20. At 8:30 the tractors will head to Pella, Red Rock Dam, and back to Peoria around 12:00 to 12:30 for a freewill donation lunch of burgers, sides, pie, and ice cream. Even if you don't have a tractor feel free to join us for lunch and to check out the old iron! For more info please contact Ruth De Bruin at 641-204-1855 or Pam Klyn at 641-780-2028.

THE PELLA COMMUNITY FOOD SHELF INVITES EVERYONE to join us for More Than a Meal, a community fellowship meal offered on the **1st and 3rd Monday of each month during June, July, and August, from 5:00–6:30 PM.** Come enjoy a warm meal, fellowship with neighbors, and a meaningful community connection. The next meal is June 15. All are welcome! Location: Pella Community Food Shelf, 1111 W. 16th St., Pella.

MINISTRY BROADCASTS

KIDS CORNER DEVOTIONS—Philip: Answering Questions: Join Philip on an exciting adventure as he listens to God, meets an important traveler, and shares the amazing news about Jesus! Discover that even when life feels uncertain, God is always with us and can use us to help others in wonderful ways. Check out the KC Summertime Collection with lots of puzzles, games, and fun activities. Good for road trips or quiet time at home.

GROUNDWORK: Hannah's Prayer and God's Big Answer - Sometimes the deepest prayers are the ones nobody hears but God. Join *Groundwork* as we begin a study on the book of 1 Samuel by examining 1 Samuel 1:1-2:10. Together, we'll see how Hannah's sorrow and private prayer becomes part of God's public plan for his people. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

FAITH'S LIVE-STREAM—The worship service will be live-streamed at 9:30 AM on Sundays via Faith's YouTube channel [click here](#) or Faith's Facebook page [click here](#).

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