Prayer Bulletin April 21, 2024

First CRC Prayer Requests:

The Elders meet 1st & 3rd Sunday at 8:30 a.m. to pray for needs of our congregation. If you have a need, please contact any Elder.

- Keep **Gary Doppenberg** in your prayers. Gary moved to Prairie Ridge Care Center in Orange City. Please pray for Gary, and his family during this time of transition.
- Keep Marla Schrank, daughter of **Sharon Habben**, in your prayers, as she battles pancreatic cancer. We pray for Marla's family, husband and children. Give them all strength to encourage Marla and help her fight this battle.
- Please pray for **Cameron Nieuwenhuis**, who is recovering from surgery on his hand. Pray for complete healing.
- Please pray for **Devin & Elissa De Jong & Ben & Kayla Granstra** as their babies are due soon. Pray for healthy deliveries and that these new little ones will be a blessing to their families and to our entire congregation. May God be with all the young families in our church who are raising their children to know and love the Lord!
- Pray for the future of our denomination. Pray for the synod delegates this summer to make God honoring, Bible based decisions. May God guide them into the unity of his word.
- Sheldon Love INC Prayer Requests:

Pray for families, schools, churches, and communities.Pray for relief from pain in my feet, less discomfort when walking, and for help from a podiatrist appt. soon.Pray for my 93-year-old grandma who broke her femur, & for my son to keep on a straight path so he can come home.Pray that I can find a full-time job, to become stable.

Denominational Prayer Requests:

- **ReFrame India:** The Hindi ministry leader asks you to pray for Christians in Bihar. "Recently some incidents resulted in violence against Christian pastors," he shared. "There is an increase in the violent interruption of Sunday worship."
- **Resonate Michigan:** A Resonate partner church planter is giving thanks that two women have started attending church, reading the Bible, and praying faithfully. "It was so exciting to see the growth and joy in these women. We are anticipating baptizing them this summer," said the church planter.
- World Renew Creation care: Praise God for the growing number of churches partnering with our Climate Witness Project, which provides resources for education worship, energy stewardship, and advocacy for making a difference in creation care. On Earth Day (Apr. 22), pray that the program will continue to bless churches across North America.
- ReFrame Japan: Pray for Sasuke, a Japanese listener who shared, "As I celebrate my 81st birthday, I thank you for the emotional support I've received through this broadcast over the years. May God grant me the gift of continued listening, and may his presence be felt in every moment.
- **Resonate Cohorts:** Resonate's Cohort initiative is recruiting young adults to serve in Central America, Detroit, Europe, and the Middle East. Cohort is an opportunity for young adults to live in community, serve in a grassroots ministry, and engage in deep spiritual formation while learning about joining God on a mission. Pray for the candidates the Lord is guiding into these opportunities.

If you have a prayer request, email church at: <u>firstcrc@hotmail.com</u> or call 324-2374 by Wed. @ 9 a.m.