

INNERGLOW

**First Reformed Church
Boyden, IA**

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10-4 Little Porky Over and Out!

I just love the fall time of the year and all that goes with it. I love the changing of the seasons and how good it feels to have my bedroom windows open on these cool fall nights! Man, you talk about a great night's sleep! The other morning it was 58 degrees in the house and it was A.W.E.S.O.M.E. I also love the season of harvest we are in and watching all the bounty of God's faithfulness to our crop farmers being hauled to town or put in bins. I still miss being able to help haul loads/run the grain cart/haul manure this time of year because it is so much fun! (Note: If any of you crop farmers need an extra truck/tractor driver sometime please please please let me know and I would love to help). Before the days of cell phones when I was helping my dad and uncle with harvest, while getting to drive an awesome International tractor, we used to use c-b radios. If you ever got to use a c-b radio you had to have a c-b handle so you knew if they were talking to you or not. My c-b radio handle was "Little Porky" and when my dad or uncle would call me on the c-b to give me instructions I would reply with "10-4...Little Porky over and out".

The Bible has a lot of great 10-4 instruction for us as well. Here are some for you.....

Proverbs 10:4 "Lazy hands make for poverty, but diligent hands bring wealth."

Ecclesiastes 10:4 "If a ruler's anger rises against you, do not leave your post; calmness can lay great offenses to rest."

Psalms 10:4 "In his pride the wicked man does not seek him; in all his thoughts there is no room for God."

Zechariah 10:4 "From Judah will come the cornerstone, from him the tent peg, from him the battle bow, from him every ruler."

Ezekiel 10:4 "Then the glory of the Lord rose from above the cherubim and moved to the threshold of the temple. The cloud filled the temple, and the court was full of the radiance of the glory of the Lord."

Romans 10:4 "Christ is the culmination of the law so that there may be righteousness for everyone who believes."

1 Corinthians 10:4 "They all ate the same spiritual food and drank the same spiritual drink; for they drank from the spiritual rock that accompanied them, and that rock was Christ."

2 Corinthians 10:4 "The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish strongholds."

Hebrews 10:4 "It is impossible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins."

John 10:4 "When he has brought out all his own, he goes on ahead of them, and his sheep follow him because they know his voice."

Which one of these 10-4 verses has you saying to God "*Roger that good buddy*"?? For me lately it has been John 10:4. This verse is a great reminder for me of the trust the sheep must have in the shepherd to follow him to wherever he thinks they need to go to thrive. I pray as we each do our part to help FRC as well as Boyden thrive, we remember the Lord goes ahead of us and we can always trust him as we follow. I pray you all have a wonderful fall season and always remember.....God loves you and so do I!

Little Porky over and out!!

Praise & Thanks for...

- *Cole Van Tilburg returned home from the hospital and is recovering well from his appendix surgery**
- *answered prayers for added strength for walking for Bev Kooiker – she's enjoying the outside, God's creation and fall colors!**
- *the volunteers who took part in the BH Parent/Teacher conference ministry**
 - *the pastors who fill pulpit supply as needed**
 - *hospitals, doctors & nurses to care for the sick**
- *the sunshine and weather that farmers can get in the fields**
 - *God being our refuge and strength in time of trouble**
 - *encouraging words**
 - *Grace that is greater than all our sins**
 - *Backyard Singers providing special music**
 - *family and friends gathering together for a holiday meal**
- *men and women who served in the armed forces and protected our country**
- *Pastor Heath, elders & deacons, and everyone who volunteers their time for the mission of Boyden FRC**



Pray for...

***those recovering from illness and/or surgeries – Janice Sneller following hand surgery, Marv Heemskerk following hand surgery, Galen Moret, Bev Kooiker**

***those nominated for Elder & Deacon**

***safety for farmers as they harvest their crops**

***discipline to start or end each day with devotions**

***personal spiritual growth**

***wisdom, discernment and guidance when we cast our ballots for President**

***an end to difficult times in our country and around the world**

***trust when our lives are turned upside down**

***elected officials at the local, state and national levels**

***our veterans**

***those confined to their homes or living in care centers**

***Pastor Heath and the consistory**

***each member of our congregation**

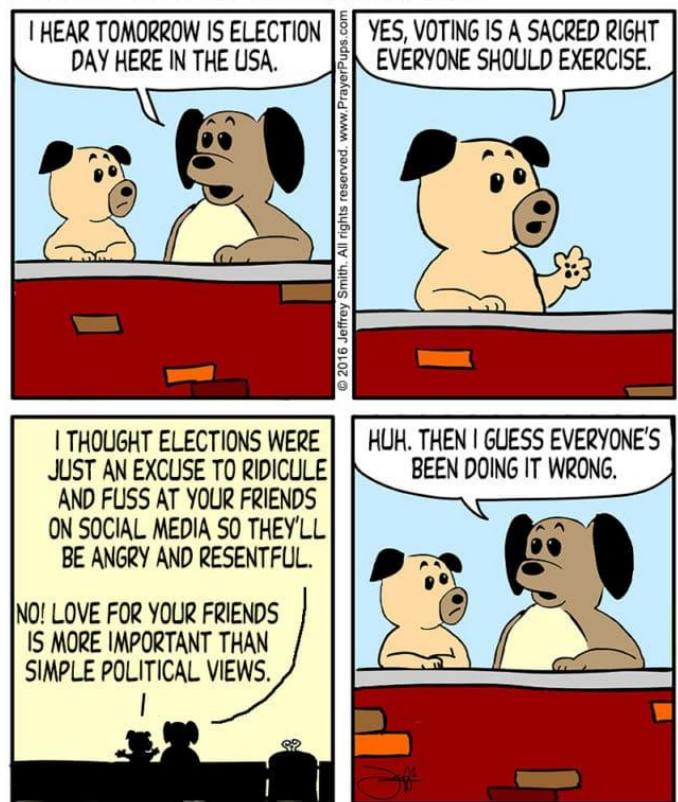
***the Awana kids and volunteers**

Let us
PRAY
ALL PLACES. ALL TIMES. ALL WAYS.

SUNSHINE FOR THE MONTH:



PRAYER PUPS BY JEFFREY SMITH



Top 10 Predictions No Matter Who Wins the Election

1. The Bible will still have all the answers.
2. Prayer will still work.
3. The Holy Spirit will still move.
4. God will still inhabit the praises of His people.
5. There will still be God-anointed teaching and healing.
6. There will still be singing of praise to God.
7. God will still pour out blessings upon His people.
8. There will still be room at the Cross.
9. Jesus will still love you.
10. Jesus will still save the lost.

Isn't it great to know who is really in control? "With God all things are possible."

HYMN OF THE MONTH:

“THE LORD WILL PROVIDE”

“So Abraham called that place The LORD Will Provide. And to this day it is said, ‘On the mountain of the LORD it will be provided.’” Genesis 22:14 (NIV)

This hymn is seldom sung today, and we know little of its author, Mrs. A.W. Cook, but I wanted to include it because it played a part in the conversion of the great evangelist, Rodney “Gypsy” Smith.

Rodney was born in a gypsy tent in England. His father, Cornelius, earned money playing his fiddle at local taverns, where he always got drunk. But one day, he was converted.

“In the agony of his soul,” Rodney later wrote, “he fell on the floor unconscious, and lay there wallowing and foaming for half an hour. I was in great distress, and thought my father was dead ... but presently he came to himself, stood up and, leaping joyfully, exclaimed, ‘I am converted!’”

Cornelius, a truly changed man, resolved never to play in taverns again. In his autobiography, Rodney describes the incident that helped lead to his own conversion:

All this time my father was very poor, and one winter at Cambridge we were in the hardest straits I wanted to know what we were going to have for Christmas, and I asked my father. “I do not know, my dear,” he said quietly Then the devil came and tempted him. His fiddle was hanging on the wall, and he looked at it desperately and thought to himself, “If I just ... go to a public house and play to the people there, my children, too, will have a good Christmas dinner.” But the temptation was very soon overcome. My father fell on his knees and began to pray When he arose from his knees he said, “I don’t know quite what we shall have for Christmas, but we will sing.” He began to sing with a merry heart: “In some way or other / The Lord will provide: / It may not be my way, / It may not be thy way; / But yet in His own way / the Lord will provide.” Just then, while we were singing, there was a knock at the door of the van.

“Who is there?” cried my father. It was the old Cambridge town missionary, Mr. Sykes. “It is I, Brother Smith. God is good, is He not? I have come to tell you how the Lord will provide. In a shop in this town there are three legs of mutton and groceries waiting for you and your brothers.” A wheelbarrow was needed to bring home the store.



There are five Gospels: Matthew,
Mark, Luke, John and the Christian.
Most people will never read the first
four.

— Rodney "Gypsy" Smith —

THE LORD WILL PROVIDE.

No. 77. "Casting all your care upon him, for he careth for you."—1 Peter v: 7.

Mrs. M. A. W. COOK.

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1. In some way or oth - er the Lord will pro- vide: It may not be
 2. At some time or oth - er the Lord will pro- vide: It may not be
 3. Despond, then, no long - er, the Lord will pro- vide; And this be the
 4. March on, then, right bold-ly; the sea shall di - vide; The path-way made

By permission.

my way, It may not be thy way; And yet, in his own way, "The
 my time, It may not be thy time; And yet, in his own time, "The
 to - ken— No word he hath spo - ken Was ev - er yet bro - ken: "The
 glo - rious, With shoutings vic - to - rious, We'll join in the cho - rus, "The

Chorus.

Lord will pro- vide."
 Lord will pro- vide." Then we'll trust in the Lord, And he will pro-
 Lord will pro- vide."
 Lord will pro- vide."

vide; Yes, we'll trust in the Lord, And he will pro - vide.

In Years Gone By ...

50 YEARS AGO – November 1974

Congratulations were extended to Mr & Mrs Gerrit Slothouber for their 63rd anniversary; to Josie Kuyper & Martha Kuiper for their 80th birthdays; and to Mr & Mrs Henry Van Der Brink for the birth of their son.

New members were received on transfer – Mr & Mrs Leon Mouw and their daughters Amy Jo & Tammy Joy.

25 YEARS AGO – November 1999

The following women participated in the worship service as Women's Ministries was celebrated – Elaine Damstra, Lori Bolkema, Teresa Draffen, Leila Moret, Jean Doorenbos, Amy Grooters, Jo Vermeer and Caroline Rensink.

The Harvest Festival was held at St. John's Church. Speaker was Rev. Curt Bush and music was provided by the Boyden Trio.

Pictorial Directory Pictures were held at the Demco Center. Different group pictures were taken at the church.

Mary Mulder made profession of her faith and was welcomed into the church family.

A "Food Bank" was established to assist emergency situations within the church family. The congregation was encouraged to bring non-perishable items to the Thanksgiving service.

10 YEARS AGO – November 2014

Congratulations to Jordan Warntjes who was ordained in the ministry.

The consistory elections by lot were held at the annual congregation meeting – Steve Kleinwolterink, Elder and Dusty De Wild and Doug Reuvers as deacons.

An open house for Vern Ten Haken's 90th birthday was held at Fieldcrest.

5 YEARS AGO – November 2019

The new consistory members elected by lot at the annual congregation meeting were Steve Kleinwolterink for Elder and Kevin Maassen & Arlys Van Nyhuis.

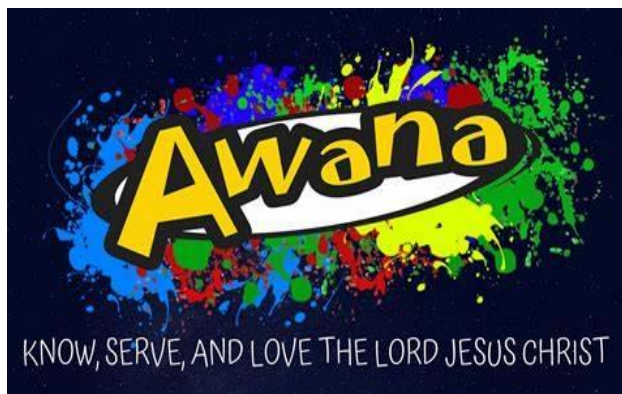
Sympathy wishes were extended to the family and friends of Henry (Hank) Van Der Brink and Mina Uittenbogaard.

Marissa Kracht was welcomed into our congregational family thru profession of faith.

Pastor David Poppen led the Thanksgiving service – thanks be to God!

FUN WITH PICTURES!

This month we have a picture from Awana! This is Teresa as the Sparks Large Group Leader sharing the lesson for the night. We love this picture because it shows a group of Kindergarteners listening so intently to the lesson! Thank you God for this amazing program and the wonderful dedicated volunteers who come each week!



Fund Balances September 2024

Awana	\$3,674.14
Benevolent Fund	\$23,512.91
Building & Repair Fund	\$10,379.83
Charity Fund	\$18.44
General Fund	\$29,300.85
Memorial Fund	\$8,623.32
Mission Fund	\$6,734.19
Women's Ministry	\$2,837.19
Youth Funds	\$2,382.10



The Doxology

The familiar hymn often called "The Doxology" or "The Common Doxology" was written by Thomas Ken in 1674 as the concluding verse of a morning hymn, "Awake, My Soul, and With the Sun," and an evening hymn, "Glory to Thee, My God, This Night." The lyrics are appropriate for any time of giving or thanksgiving. Consider using this hymn as your Thanksgiving dinner prayer.

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.*

Some church bodies have altered the words to "The Doxology" slightly, but the overall sentiment – praising the Triune God – remains the same. How profound to know that when we sing it, we join Christians around the world and across nearly 440 years!!



Veteran's Day Program

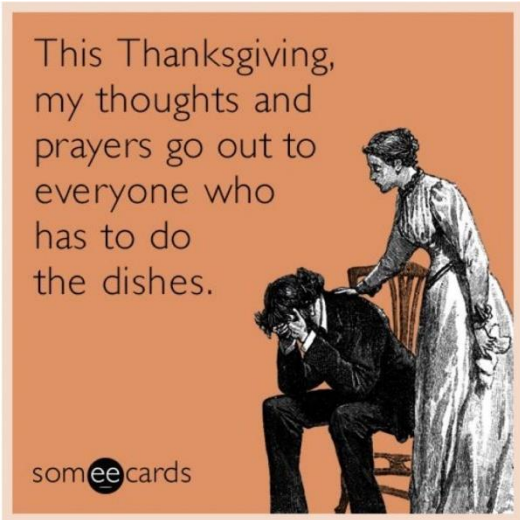
There will be a Veteran's Day memorial speech at the **Demco Community Center in Boyden on Monday, November 11th at 7 pm.** Guest speaker is **Ron Van Beek, a Vietnam War Combat Veteran,** highlighting the extreme experiences of an infantryman's day in battle fighting for America's Liberty. **All are encouraged to attend!**

“ALL gave some;
Many gave much;
Some gave more.
All fought heroically;
Some fought valiantly;
Some gave their all.
Fighting, dying
Giving up all their tomorrows;
So we can have todays!
VETERAN'S DAY –
Dedicated ALL to America;
That she may be free;
The land of the free
And the home of the brave.
REMEMBER 1.3 million Americans
Killed in wars.”


★ THANK YOU ★
veterans

HAPPINESS IS ...








Happiness is ... a new granddaughter! Welcome to the world Haisley Gayle Nelson. She is the granddaughter of Roger & Lisa Nelson!



A GUIDE TO PUTTING YOUR CLOCKS BACK

<p>SMARTPHONE Leave it alone, it does its magic</p>	<p>SUNDIAL Move one house to the left</p>
<p>OVEN You'll need a Masters in Electronic Engineering or a hammer</p>	<p>CAR RADIO Not worth it, wait six months</p>

NOVEMBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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<p>3</p> <p>Mission Offering</p> <p>Daylight Savings Time Ends! FALL BACK!!</p> <p>Trey Van Roekel</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Election Day!</p> <p>Men's Group 5:30 am Evening Ladies 7 pm</p> <p>Steve & Ranae Kleinwolterink (48)</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Awana 6-6:30 meal 6:30-8 pm program</p>	<p>7</p> 	<p>8</p> <p>Vicki Koele</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Luci Steenhoven</p>
<p>10</p> <p>Rev. Stephen Breen</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Happy Veteran's Day!</p>  <p>THANK YOU VETERANS</p> <p>Link Sietstra</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Men's Group 5:30 am Evening Ladies 7 pm Elders' Mtg 6:30 pm Deacons' Mtg 7 pm Consistory 8 pm</p> <p>Amy Kim Rick Polacek</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Awana 6-6:30pm meal 6:30-8 pm program Awana Store K-4th</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Marissa Mouw</p>	<p>16</p>
<p>17</p> <p>Building & Repair Offering</p> <p>Harvest Festival! St John's 6:30 pm</p> <p>Rick & Beth Polacek (34)</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Innerglow News Due!</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Men's Group 5:30 am Evening Ladies 7 pm</p> <p>Oliver Schmith</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Awana 6-6:30pm meal 6:30-8 pm program Awana Store 5th-8th Awards Night!</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Oliver Schmith</p>	<p>22</p> 	<p>23</p> <p>Ava Huls</p>
<p>24</p> <p>Ella Diekevers Seung Kim</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Colton Diekevers</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Men's Group 5:30 am Evening Ladies 7 pm</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Happy Thanksgiving!</p> <p>thank you, God. </p> <p>Ginger Van Roekel</p>	<p>29</p> <p>Nayomi Reiser</p>	<p>30</p> 

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Happy Thanksgiving!

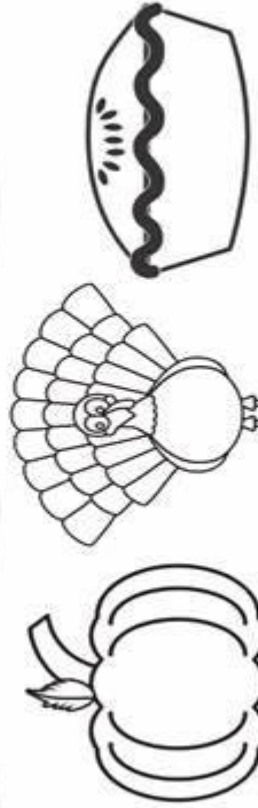
Philippians 4:6 (NLT)

Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank Him for all he has done.

What are you thankful for:

What is your favorite Thanksgiving food:

If you could invite one person to Thanksgiving dinner, who would it be:



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Thank You Veterans!



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