



From the missionfan.com website:
According to Feeding America 1 in 8 Americans received emergency food help last year and 1 in 5 children received food assistance. These staggering numbers reminded me how important what we do is. We have seen an increase in individuals

receiving food assistance for the first time ever due to a job loss or cut in pay. Our services are intended to help the working poor who often have to make a choice between paying their bills or feeding their family. Your generous donations help us meet the needs in our community.



Prayer & Praise

Prayer Requests † **Healing for Marla** as she continues to heal from shoulder surgery and gets ready for rehab therapy.

- † **Robert** upcoming knee surgery & rehab.
- † Robert & Jessica also ask for prayer for Jessica's grandparents as her grandfather had surgery this week, and his wife is going through therapy for her hip.
- † **Those who are looking for work.**
- † Pray for the safety of Tom's brother, **Tim** as he deploys to Iraq for the second time.

Welcome to **Prairie Lane Church**. As we unite in worship today, we extend a warm welcome to each one present. May we together experience the presence of God.

If you have young children, please feel free to use our nursery located upstairs. Please ask the usher for directions.

Before and after the service, we serve coffee and juice in the Fellowship Hall. *Please stay and get to know the Prairie Lane family!*

Prelude Song
"Friend of God"

Welcome
"I Walk by Faith"
"Hosanna"

Greeting
"Lead Me to the Cross"

Confession
"A Shield About Me"
(Children in Worship Dismissal)

Offerings
Ministries of Prairie Lane Church
PLC Building Expansion Fund

Message
Series: *Through Tears to Joy* (one)
"Regret or Repentance"
Ezekiel 18:25-32 (page 770)

Communion
"When Peace Like a River"

Closing Song
"He Will Come and Save You"

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"REGRET"

Sermon Series:
Through Tears to Joy

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Welcome to **Prairie Lane Church!** *“I sought the Lord and he answered me, and delivered me from all my fears” (Psalm 34:4).* Let us seek the Lord together this day. Let us offer up our fears and doubts, that we may go forth strengthened and empowered for another week. If you are visiting us today, know that we are thankful for your presence. If you are seeking a new church home, we hope it will be with us.

- You are invited to stay after worship so that we may meet you. Give us a chance to greet you personally, in his name during the coffee hour in the Fellowship Hall.

Nursery is available upstairs, you may ask the usher for directions.

Communication Cards: We'd love it if everyone filled out the basic information on the front side.

- If you are a regular attendee, just your name is enough. If you are a guest, please fill out the card so that we can get to know you better, and place it in the offering bag.
- If you have a prayer request or praise, please fill out the back of the card. Pastor Dan and the elders consider it a privilege to lift you up in prayer—if the prayer is of a sensitive nature, it will not be shared beyond Pastor Dan and the elders. Let us know if it is okay to share with the congregation by checking *“please share with the PLC family”*.

Our first offering today is for **Prairie Lane Church**. Bringing a gift to God is a regular part of our worship. If you are a guest today, don't feel you have to contribute—the only gift we'd like from you is your Communication Card. Consider this service our gift to you!

Our second offering today is for the **PLC Building Expansion Fund**. In April 2007, our church family made a 3-year commitment to raise funds to expand our church building. We are so grateful for the support of our members and friends for this project through your regular sacrificial gifts. Our Building Pledge Fund drive will conclude this April.

Larger print Bibles are available in the back of the worship center.

If you have a special concern on your heart, the prayer room is open after the service. One of our elders will be happy to meet with you there.

About the Christian Reformed Church (CRC): Prairie Lane Church is part of a Christian denomination which consists of about 1,000 churches across the US and Canada. Our roots can be traced back to the Protestant Reformation, and our doctrinal outlook is "Calvinist". So, we believe in God's sovereignty, in the authority of the Bible and in the transforming work of Jesus; in our worship we emphasize congregational singing and Biblical sermons. You may visit our website omahacrc.org to learn more.

This is the first Sunday of Lent—a time to reflect on Christ's sacrifice for us. Remember to read the special Lenten devotional *“Through Tears to Joy”*. Pastor Dan's sermon series will focus on God's presence in our suffering.

Spotlight: Please be sure to turn your SERVE forms into Maggie this morning. This evening at Spotlight, we will have a guest speaker and information on the upcoming lock-in.

Easter Egg Hunt will be on **Saturday, March 27th** from 10:30-noon. The Egg Hunt is for children ages toddler-5th grade and there will be lots of other fun activities for the kids to enjoy. Be sure to invite your friends, neighbors and co-workers to join us.

- We will be collecting small, wrapped candy donations to put into the Easter eggs. There is a collection box in the Fellowship Hall.
- Any questions, please talk to **Fara** -

PLC Softball - Any men, ages 16+, who are interested in playing softball this summer please contact Josh for details and to sign up!

Attention all Pinewood Derby Enthusiasts at PLC— The PLCRC Cadets will be sponsoring a Pinewood Derby on **Sunday, March 7, 2010**. The derby will include an afternoon of food, fun, and pinewood car races. The races will be open to anyone who wants to build a new race car or race a previously built car.

The derby will feature races in the following divisions:

1. **Raccoon Cadre race** - open only to the cadets in the Raccoon cadre
2. **Sharks Cadre race** - open only to the cadets in the Sharks cadre
3. **Legacy class** - open to anyone who wants to race a previously built derby car
4. **Open class** - open to anyone who wants to build a new car
5. **Extreme class** - open to anyone, no rules (just common sense)

There will be prizes in each race category and for the best looking car and for the most unique design. There will be a \$3 entry fee per car for all non-cadets. If you need a car kit they can be purchased at Canfields. Even if you choose not to race a car you can still come to eat hot dogs and cheer on your favorite racers. Here is your chance to finally build that winning car that you always knew you could build.

Church Summer Camping Trip: This year's trip will be at Branched Oak Recreation Area, near Lincoln from **June 25-26**. The cost for camping for both nights is **\$42 (note change)** at an electric hook-up site. Please let Adriene right away if you'd like to attend this year, as some of the sites from last year have already been reserved. Adriene would like to get as many campsites close together as possible.