



Prayer Focus ...  
 Friendship CRC  
 Sergeant Bluff,  
 IA

*From their website: friendshipchurch.net:*

- As a church we are very excited to finally be in our own building. We are also getting a little nervous. We have a lot to finish and funds are very tight. We continue to look for ways to save costs, and also continue to rely on God to provide for all of our needs. Please continue to lift God's church

up in prayer. If there is any way you can help whether it be with your time or finances we would love to hear from you.



**Prayer & Praise**

Prayer Requests † Prayer for **Jonathan** as he recovers from a second surgery and prepares for chemo for his brain tumor.

- † **Healing for Marla** starts her rehab therapy.
- † **Robert** continued healing from his knee injury.
- † **Those who are looking for work.**
- † Pray for the safety of Tom's brother, **Tim** as he deploys to Iraq for the second time.

**W**elcome 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**  
*"Every Move I Make"*

**Welcome**  
*"God Will Make a Way"*  
*"Cry of My Heart"*

**Greeting**  
 —Reading of Psalm 71—

**Confession**  
*"Man of Sorrows"*

**Children's Message**  
*(Children in Worship Dismissal)*

**Message**  
*Series: Through Tears to Joy (part two)*  
**"Not Forsaken in Suffering"**  
*Mark 14:32-42, 15:33-34 (page 929)*  
*"A Mighty Fortress"*

**Offerings**  
 Ministries of Prairie Lane Church  
 Friendship CRC,  
 Sergeant Bluff, IA

**Closing Song**  
*"He Will Come and Save You"*

February 28, 2010



**"Forsaken"**

*Sermon Series:*  
*Through Tears to Joy*

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**W**elcome 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 **Friendship CRC**, in Sergeant Bluff, IA. Please see the back of the bulletin for an update.

**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](http://omahacrc.org) to learn more.

**Calling all Volunteers!** Are you ready to go on a Rainforest adventure? Are you ready to help kids learn about the love of Jesus? There is still snow on the ground, but it is time to start making plans for Vacation Bible School! We will be having a meeting **this Tuesday, March 2nd at 7:00 pm in the Upper Room**. We will go over the materials and talk about what volunteer opportunities are available. Never helped out with a Vacation Bible School before? Don't worry, there are jobs for everyone!

- The dates for Vacation Bible School here at Prairie Lane are **June 13-June 17th**.
- In addition to VBS at church, we will also be hosting several Backyard Bible Clubs this summer.
- Come to the meeting to hear about what great ministry opportunities God has planned for our church this summer!
- If you have any questions, please contact Elizabeth or Cathy.
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**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 **next Sunday, March 7, 2010 in the Upper Room**.

- **Contestants may start checking in at noon, with racing starting at 12:30.**
- **Families may bring a dessert to share, and the Cadets will begin serving hot dogs at noon.**
- 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.

**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.