



Pantry Collections for April:

- Female products (any kind)
- Pancake mix
- Corn

Check out our newly updated bulletin boards. Thank you **Connie Graham** for having such a good vision and then making it happen.

This month we are shining God's light on Isabella Stutzman and Forgotten Children:



Isabella recently traveled with Forgotten Children to Uganda. We are so happy to have her share her experiences with us. She will be speaking on Sunday, April 14th.

April

Focus

2024

First Reformed Church-824-3161
Office hours
Mon.-Fri. 7:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
firstref@adamswells.com
Worship~10:30 a.m.
Interim Pastor- Adam Carroll
CE Coordinator & Music Director-
Isabella Stutzman
Family Ministries Assistant-
Jen Sturgeon

Worship Nursery:

April 7-Julia J.
 April 14-Jon & Angie O.
 April 21-Chuck & Tammy
 April 28-Connie G.
Greeters: Dave & Julia J.
Audio: Mike G. & Aaron S.
Video: Devon B. & Jarie S.

Children's Church

Elementary-Caylynne M.
Eat & Greet Donuts
 April 7-Need Volunteers
 April 14-Denny & Lorraine F.
 April 21-Need Volunteers
 April 28-Denny & Lorraine

Celebrating Birthday's

- April 1-Kayde Smith
- April 5-Keenan Maxwell
- April 5-Alannah Goodwin
- April 7-Finley Trout
- April 8-Judy Shaw
- April 10-Ben Griner
- April 12-David Williams
- April 13-Abbi Smith
- April 15-Don Lockwood
- April 16-Shelby Crosby
- April 17-Krew Trout
- April 20-Kathy Ankenbruck
- April 20-Beth Kohlhagen
- April 21-Devon Bantz
- April 28-Caylynne Moore
- April 30-Rosie Risser

Upcoming Events & Dates to Note

Every Monday:

9:00 a.m.-AA Meeting-Rider Lounge

Every Thursday:

9:00 a.m.-T.O.P.S-(Taking off Pounds Sensibly)

April 1: 6:30 p.m.-Missions Meeting

April 2: 6:30 p.m.-Christian Education Meeting

April 7: 9:00 a.m.-Confirmation Class, 9:15 a.m.

Connections Class, 9:45-Eat & Greet (Rider Lounge)

10:30 a.m.-Worship

April 8: 2:00 p.m.-Eclipse Watch Party,

6:00 p.m.-Trustees, 6:30 p.m.-Consistory,

7:30 p.m. Elders

April 13: 9:00 a.m.-Derby Cart Prep

April 14: 9:00 a.m.-Confirmation Class, 9:15 a.m.-

Connections Class, 9:45-Eat & Greet (Rider Lounge)

10:30 a.m.-Worship, Missions Moment-Forgotten

Children: Uganda, Isabella.

April 20: 9:30 a.m.-Derby Cart Painting

April 21: 9:00 a.m.-Confirmation Class, 9:15 a.m.-

Connections Class, 9:45-Eat & Greet (Rider Lounge)

10:30 a.m.-Worship

April 27: 9:30 a.m.-Derby Cart Building Day

April 28: 9:15 a.m.-Connections Class, 9:45-Eat & Greet

(Rider Lounge) 10:30 a.m.-Worship

SAVE THE DATES:

May 4th -VBS Training

May 18th-Derby Cart Race

May 31st-Parent Date Night

June 15th -VBS volunteer mixer

June 21st -23rd ~Church Camping-Ouabache State Park

June 30th-Family Sunday

Join us to watch the eclipse in the parking lot on April 8th at 2:00 p.m. Eclipse glasses and snacks will be provided. Any questions please see Isabella or Jen. Please sign up if you are able to join us!



From the Music Director and Christian Education Coordinator

As many of you know, I recently returned from Uganda, Africa. I'm not going to share much here (you'll have to wait until April 14th for all the details), but I wanted to write about the most important thing I encountered in Uganda: hope. For many families in Uganda, their lives are a story of struggle, rejection, and hopelessness. However, the story I heard from every person we interviewed was one of hope found through the work of Forgotten Children Worldwide (FCW) as they have acted as the hands and feet of Jesus. I think we sometimes wonder about the impact of financially supporting organizations like FCW. Is it really changing anything? I can assure you, what FCW does for children and families changes the trajectory of their lives. They are given a hope that will not disappoint them but will lead them to God's love, a caring community, and a brighter future. The joy and faith I witnessed in the people I met was inspiring. Truly, it was a privilege to hear their stories, and I'm excited to share those stories with you soon.

