

May 17, 2026

**IMMANUEL CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH
SCHOOL & COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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THE CHURCH OFFICE is open Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday 8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Please submit all bulletin and announcement materials by 9:00 a.m. Thursday morning.

SHELDON CHRISTIAN

- **8th Grade Graduation at Sheldon Christian** will be held Thursday, May 21 at 7:00 p.m. at First Christian Reformed Church in Sheldon. This year's graduating class chose their theme verse as Deuteronomy 31:6: "Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the Lord your God goes with you; he will never leave you or forsake you." Refreshments and open house will follow the ceremony in the fellowship hall.
- **Summer SCRIP Schedule (every other week!): Note:** No SCRIP orders June 22 – July 31.

<u>ORDERS DUE by 9AM</u>	<u>ORDER PICK UP</u>
Monday, May 25 – No SCRIP this week	
Monday, June 1	Friday, June 5
Monday, June 8 – No SCRIP this week	
Monday, June 15	Friday, June 19

SHELDON COMMUNITY

- **Sheldon High School Baccalaureate** – a service of prayer, encouragement, and blessing – will be held on Sunday, May 17 (tonight!) at 7:30 p.m. at the Sheldon High School Auditorium. All who wish to bless our high school graduates are invited!
- **Free Summer Lunch Program:** The Sheldon Community School District is offering free lunches to community kids this summer starting June 1 and running through August 14. The lunches will be served Monday through Friday from 11:30 a.m. – 12:45 p.m. at East Elementary (please use north door). Children 18 and under eat free. Busing will be available at all in-town bus stops. Parents are welcome!

UNITY

- **Graduation 2026** at Unity Christian High School will be held on Tuesday, May 19 at 6:00 p.m. in the Knight Center. The ceremony will be streamed on our YouTube channel.

WESTERN

- **The 2026 Graduating Class of Western Christian High School** will hold its commencement ceremony on Tuesday, May 19 at 7:00 p.m. in the main gym.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

"Improving Outcomes, Together." **The Sheldon Community Ambulance Team (SCAT)** is having their annual fundraiser supper serving taverns, hot dogs or coney dogs with baked beans, chips, strawberry fluff, brownie, drinks. The supper is scheduled for Tuesday, May 19 from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. at the Crossroads Pavilion Event Center. A freewill offering will be taken. If you are unable to attend, donations are welcome. The proceeds raised during this event will be used towards the purchase of an emergency response side-by-side vehicle and other medical equipment.





Memorial Day Pancake Breakfast: Join us this Memorial Day, May 25 from 7:00 – 11:00 a.m. for a fun and welcoming morning at our annual pancake breakfast! Hosted by our First CRC Young People, this has become a community favorite and is the perfect way to wrap up your holiday weekend. Bring your family and friends to the Sheldon Christian School gym and enjoy a delicious homemade breakfast featuring fluffy pancakes, crispy bacon, eggs, and your choice of coffee, juice, or milk. This special event is a freewill offering fundraiser supporting our youth group, helping them grow in faith, serve others, and build lasting memories together. Come hungry, connect with your community, and help make a difference—we'd love to see you there!

American Red Cross Blood Drive will be held Tuesday, May 26 from 1:00 - 6:00 p.m. at the First Christian Reformed Church (901 9th Street) in Sheldon (please use North fellowship hall door). To schedule an appointment to donate please call (800) 733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org (enter "SheldonIA").

Tri-State Teens Encounter Christ (TEC) is accepting applications for the upcoming weekend at the First Reformed Church in Rock Valley, Iowa. TEC is an interdenominational three-day Christian retreat designed to help high schoolers learn more about their faith and their community. The next TEC is June 19-21. If you would like to learn more about TEC or register, please visit www.TriStateTEC.org or email TriStateTEC@gmail.com. The cost is \$50 and includes a t-shirt, meals, and other special gifts. Scholarships are available upon request.

FROM INSPIRATION HILLS

❖ **Hiring Summer Staff 2026:** We are still hiring counselors for our 2026 Summer Staff! Here's what you can look forward to when you join the team at Inspiration Hills:

-  Share the Gospel and make an eternal impact in the lives of campers.
-  Work closely with kids, helping them grow in faith, confidence, and joy.
-  Build meaningful relationships and be surrounded by a Christ-centered community all summer long.
-  Grow spiritually and personally as you serve alongside others who love Jesus.

Come be a part of what God is doing at camp this summer!

If you know someone who would be a great fit for our summer staff, please share this opportunity and encourage them to apply! Must be at least a high school graduate. Go to www.inspirationhills.org to apply today!

❖ **Saddle Up – We Need Horses!** We are urgently in need of additional horses for our Saddle Up program. Horses are a huge part of the camp experience. They help campers grow in confidence, responsibility, and connection — and often create some of the most meaningful moments of the week. We are currently looking for horses that are:

- Comfortable with arena work (walk, trot, etc.)
- Patient and well-mannered
- Good around other horses and children
- Ideally in the 10–20 year age range

If you or someone you know has a horse that could be donated or loaned for the summer, we would be incredibly grateful to connect. This is a real and immediate need, and your support would make a direct impact on the experience we're able to provide campers this summer. If you're able to help or have any questions, please reach out by emailing madison@inspirationhills.org or call our office at 712-986-5193.

❖ **Camp Saturday:** Join us for Camp Saturday on Saturday, May 30 from 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. Have a first-time camper or are curious about Inspiration Hills? This FREE open house is the perfect opportunity for you! Come tour the grounds, see where your camper will be staying, meet our staff, ask any questions you may have, participate in a ton of fun activities your camper can look forward to this summer, and so much more! Snacks will be provided. All are welcome, no registration required. Come catch a glimpse at what this summer will look like at Camp Saturday!