

WELCOME! We're glad you're here and have decided to join us today!

If you would like more information about Living Water, please stop by the Welcome Center located in the front lobby area.

Today we witness and celebrate the baptism of Jia Van Wyk daughter of Pastor Jason and Sarah.

TEACHER: Pastor Jason Van Wyk

SCRIPTURE: 1 John 4:7-16

SERMON TITLE: God is....LOVING

SERMON SUMMARY: God is CREATOR, God is JUST, God is LOVING. As we continue to look more closely at some of the attributes of God, may each new facet we explore help us to see God's beauty in new and captivating ways. This morning, we look at 1 John 4 to focus on God as loving.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

- * When have you experienced God's love in your own life?
- * When has it been more difficult to see or believe in God's love?
- * What impact does it have on you to think of God as being wholly, perfectly, always loving?
- * What would it look like for you to be someone who lives out the love of God in your interactions with others?

LIFE APPLICATION:

- * Take some time at the end of a busy day before you fall asleep, to identify ways God's love has been present for you in the middle of the day's busyness.
- * Spend some time reframing difficult moments you've experienced in light of God as loving.
- * Look for ways that God's love has been at work through you. Make a list of 3 ways that you can be a channel of his love in the coming week.

NOTES:

OUR FAMILY

PRAY: Continue prayers for Joe and Melissa Alday after Joe's test results showed that the spot on Joe's lung is malignant. After going through a brain scan, pet scan, MRI and other tests, Joe will see an oncologist in Sioux Falls. (SH Campus)

Little Treasures and JAM will begin next Sunday, August 26. (OC) Stop at the table in the front lobby to sign up your child and to volunteer. (see more details in green insert). **WAVE** begins also.

Mark your calendars for this year's SERVE SUNDAY, Sept. 30, 2018. We Follow Jesus By Loving God and Loving Others! Sign up sheets will be out in a few weeks; please consider joining us as we love on our communities!

Pastor Jesse is on vacation through Thursday, August 23.

TODAY	THIS WEEK
9:30am COFFEE SHOPPE	Mon, Aug 20
10:00am WORSHIP CHILDREN'S SUMMER WORSHIP 3, 4, and 5 yr olds meets upstairs - use stairs right outside worship area (watch for announcement slide to dismiss)	5:00-8:00pm - Community Impact Night for April Sunday and family at OC Pizza Ranch. 6:00pm Unity Meal (SH) This is a free meal; everyone is invited! Thank you to Maintainer Corp of Iowa, Inc. and WIDA for providing the meal and volunteers this month.
11:00am STAY AND PRAY SW corner of the Worship Center	Wed, Aug 22 7:00pm Men's Bible Study (SH) Meet at Bob Wolthuizen's home 721 Country Club Rd Sheldon Rain or shine. Bring a lawn chair.

OPPORTUNITIES

If you'd like to sign up for a YouVersion Online Bible Study called "Peace Surrounded by Chaos" please email Pastor Garry at gdnynhuis@gmail.com for the link!

The "Rally at the Water" organizing team is still looking for volunteers for next Sunday, August 26. For more info, contact Shannon at 507-329-1724. Also.. there will be additional t-shirts available at the Rally if you did not get a chance to pre-order one.

OC CADETS: OC Cadets is still in need of a few counselors for the upcoming year. If you are willing to help, please contact Jamey Schiebout 712-441-3290.

OC GEMS: If you would be interested in mentoring the next generation of young women, the OC GEMS Club is looking for women of all ages to join their team of counselors/helpers for the 2018-2019 season. If you are interested in being a part of this ministry, please contact Jenness Wolgen at jwolgen94@gmail.com.

INFANTS

NURSERY: Nursery is available throughout the service for newborns thru 2 years

The nursery is located near the Welcome Center in the front lobby area.

INFANT CARE ROOM: A room is available throughout the service for parents with young children. This space is designed for parents to sit with babies or small children for privacy; this room will not be supervised by volunteers.

The infant care room is located right outside the worship area near the stairway.

CHILDREN

Children's Church Bags are available at the Welcome Center in the lobby area.

They are filled with quiet activities for our younger attendees to use during worship services. Following worship, please return the bags and contents to the Welcome Center.

LITTLE TREASURES: A worship time with God for 3-5 year olds; meets during the worship service in the Upper Room. Watch for announcement slide for dismissal.

JAM: "Jesus And Me" Praise and Worship meets 10 min after the Sunday morning service in the JAM room next to the kitchen. Sept dismissal: 11:30am

Beginning in October - Sunday school for TK-5th grade meets following JAM Praise and Worship time.

YOUTH

WAVE: 6th-8th grade. Meets following the Sunday morning service in the large classroom in the SW corner of the lobby. Dismisses at 12:00noon (OC)

OVERFLOW: 9th-12th grade. Meets from 7:00-8:30pm on Wednesday (OC)

POST HIGH/COLLEGE STUDENTS: Dates and times TBD (OC)

GEMS: Girls 3rd-8th grade. Meets from 6:45-8:30pm @ Immanuel CRC (OC)
Wednesday evenings 2x a month

CADETS: Boys 4th-8th grade. Meets from 6:45-8:45pm @ Calvary CRC (OC)
Wednesday evenings 2x a month

ADULTS/FAMILIES

STAY AND PRAY: Group of people gathering after the worship service in the SW corner of the Worship Center. For more info, contact Kim Groeneweg at skgroen@yahoo.com

COMMUNITY GROUPS: Small groups of people who enjoy staying connected to each other. Contact Pastor Garry at gdnynhuis@gmail.com

7-4-3 GROUPS: Groups of about 7 people gathering for a meal 4 times over a 3 month period. Contact Brittany Foreman - dan_brittanyforeman@yahoo.com

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

AV/WORSHIP TEAMS: Amy Vanden Hull - amy.vandenhull@gmail.com

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