

## SUNDAY, May 7, 2017

**WELCOME** to all who have joined us for worship today!

Please join us for coffee/tea/juice in the fellowship hall after the service – we would like to get to know you!

### Hearing assistance



A telecoil hearing-loop system sends a signal into the sanctuary. If your hearing aid is t-coil equipped, try switching to the t-coil receiver. An FM hearing assistance system is also available for ears without hearing aids. Consult the sound operator for assistance.

## WORSHIP NOTES

### Worship Today

In this morning's service, we continue our series on discipleship by considering what it means when Jesus says that we are the salt of the earth. Together we will see in this passage an identity that God is creating in us as disciples. We will also celebrate communion and draw our next council members during this service. In the evening service, we begin a series on the story of Balaam in the book of Numbers. Together we will consider how Balaam is introduced and how he fits into the broader story of Scripture.

### Offerings for May

	AM	PM
14	Christian Education Fund	Christian Reformed World Missions
21	Missions Fund	Friendship Bible Program
28	Tuition Assistance Fund	Crossroads Prison Ministries

**Last week's offering**                      Amistad Cristiana                      \$1366.95

## OUR CHURCH FAMILY



### Happy Birthday this Week

*Lisa Christians, Len Rhoda*

### Happy Anniversary this Week

*Eldon & Marcia Westra, John & Becky Stevenson, Rob & Megan Haan*

### Membership Transfer

Hal, Sara, and Wendell Alsum-Wassenaar have transferred their membership to Hope Church RCA in Holland, MI.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Praying for Our Local Congregations

This week, please be in prayer for God's blessing on the Bethel CRC congregation and the ministry of Pastors John Lee and Duane Tinklenberg.

### From the Council

Last Sunday we voted on for the nominees for elder and deacon. **Today**, we will draw names of the three elders and three deacons who will serve on Council. Thank you to everyone willing to let their name stand for nomination.

### Parsonage Kitchen Remodel

The parsonage kitchen remodel is finishing this week! The congregation is invited to an open house to tour the remodel this Friday, **May 12**, from 7:00-9:00 PM.

### Sound-Board Operator Needed

Covenant would like to add a new person to our crew of sound-board operators. An interest in music and/or technology is helpful, but willingness is the main qualification needed. Ages from high-school upward are welcome. Training will be supplied as needed. Each sound operator is scheduled to run sound for about one Sunday each month and two or three other events each year as needed (weddings, funerals, Warm Winter Wednesdays, etc.). If you are interested, please contact Doug DeBoer (Douglas.DeBoer@dordt.edu).

## Welcoming Others to Covenant

Do you like connecting with new people? We are looking to have someone staff the Information Table in the Fellowship Hall each week before and after church and are looking for volunteers who are willing to serve in this capacity. The commitment is to 10 minutes before and after church 3-4 times/year. This is a great opportunity to help new folks know about events coming up at Covenant. If you are interested, please email Pastor Kory (pastor@covenantcrc.net)

## Community Unity Meal

Everyone is invited to a free "Community Unity" meal in Sioux Center on Thursday, **May 11**, from 6:00-7:00 PM at New Life Reformed Church. The meal hosts of the month are Christ Community Church and Christ the King Catholic Church.

## ATLAS Community Auction

Join us for ATLAS of Sioux Center's Community Auction at New Life Reformed Church on Friday, **May 12**. There will be a Pizza Ranch sponsored meal from 5:30-6:30 PM; the auction will begin at 6:30 PM. To donate new items, please email atlas@mtcnet.net or call 722-4900. For more information and an updated item list, visit [www.atlasauction.blogspot.com](http://www.atlasauction.blogspot.com).

## Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive

Donations for our local food banks will be collected by the Sioux Center Post Office's Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive. Please leave non-perishable donations by your mailbox on Saturday morning, **May 13**, or bring them to the Post Office or HyVee throughout this week. All donations will be equally distributed among our local food banks.

## Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School: Maker Fun Factory will make its way to Bethel CRC **July 24-27!** There are a variety of factory jobs to sign up for! The factory volunteer sign up link is currently active on Bethel's website: [www.bethelsc.org](http://www.bethelsc.org) under the Ministry tab, Vacation Bible School. Thank-you in advance for answering our Maker's call to be a volunteer in His Factory! Registration for VBS will begin **May 15**.

## RISE Ministries Fly-In Pancake Breakfast

Tulip Festival is coming soon and so is the RISE Ministries Fly-In Pancake Breakfast! On Saturday, **May 20**, stop by the Orange City Airport from 7:00-11:00 AM for a good hearty breakfast of pancakes, sausage, bacon, juice, milk, and coffee! Don't forget to check out the planes coming and going while you're there. Freewill donations will be accepted to help fund RiseFest on **June 16 & 17** in Sheldon.

*If you are unable to serve on your assigned day, please find your own replacement. Thank you.*

	TODAY	NEXT SUNDAY, May 14
Greeters	AM: Erin E, Shirley T, Ryan Z ♦ PM: Jenni B, Rin G, Marv W	
Ushers	AM: Cal J, Stan VB, Kris VP ♦ PM: Len R, John V	
Coffee	Ed B, Mark C, Howie H, Sarah H, Andy L, Trena VW	
Subs	Jo A, Ruth Clo, Pam DJ, George F, Rob H, John Z	
Sound/Projection	Jeff P ♦ Marty VP	Marv W ♦ John K
Nursery	AM INF: Luke & Sarah H, Jan V	AM INF: Jo F, Donna B
May POM: Wyenbergs	TODDLER: Dave & Emily K, Dave V PM: Tom & Ruth C, Pat K	TODDLER: Davey & Kate H, Ethan B PM: Lee & Jenni M, Mark & Lisa C

### GREETERS, PLEASE EMAIL:

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## THIS WEEK AT COVENANT

<b>Today</b>	10:00 AM 6:00 PM 7:30 PM	Morning Worship with Communion Evening Worship Sunday Evening Bible Study
<b>Monday</b>	9:00 AM 7:00 PM	Women's Community Bible Study Deacons Meeting
<b>Tuesday</b>	7:00 PM	Executive Council Meeting
<b>Wednesday</b>	6:30 AM 7:00 PM	Men's Bakery Study Group (Casey's Bakery) Creation Tenders Community Garden Meeting
<b>Friday</b>	7:00 PM	Parsonage Kitchen Open House
<b>Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup></b>	10:00 AM 6:00 PM	Morning Worship Evening Worship