

SUNDAY, November 12, 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

This morning we welcome Pastor Chad Van Ginkel from Faith CRC as he leads us in both services. In light of recent events in our community, during our evening worship service today we will spend some time in lament, both in song and prayer. We invite you to join us in this time. Next Sunday Rev. Liz Moss will preach in the morning service and Gale Tien will preach in the evening service.

Thanksgiving Worship Service

Just a reminder that Covenant will be joining with First CRC for a Thanksgiving Worship Service this year. Here's the invitation: "On behalf of the elders at First CRC of Sioux Center, we cordially invite your congregation to join us on Wednesday, **November 22**, at 7:00 PM for our Thanksgiving worship service, led by Dr. Jason Lief. An offering will be taken for various causes designated by our members."

Offerings for November

	AM	PM
19	Missions Fund	Calvin Seminary
26	Thanksgiving Offering	Tuition Assistance Fund

Last week's offering

General Fund/Building Fund	\$13,363.25
World Renew: World Hunger Campaign	\$1,101.23

OUR CHURCH FAMILY



Happy Birthday this Week

Priya Bierma, Mark Christians, Nancy Vanden Bosch, Teo Crull, Lauren Vander Plaats

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Praying for Our Local Congregations

This week, please be in prayer for God's blessing on the Covenant CRC congregation.



Pastoral Group Dinners

Today the **Schelhaas/Mellema** pastoral group will gather to enjoy fellowship and a meal together at 12:00 PM. Visitors and college students are welcome to join them! Next Sunday, **November 19**, the **Holtrop/Oostra** pastoral group will gather to close out the fall dinners.

Thanksgiving Offering

You may notice a note and envelope in your mailbox today for the Thanksgiving offering. Because we'll be worshipping with First CRC on Wednesday, **November 22**, and won't have a service here at Covenant, the deacons invite you to bring your Thanksgiving offerings on Sunday, **November 26**. (If you will be out of town that Sunday, feel free to put your envelope in the offering plate the week before or give it to any of the deacons.)

Thank You for Your Gifts!

Thank you for giving generously during this year's World Hunger Campaign! This year our church raised \$1,101.23 to support World Renew's ministry in breaking barriers for people combating poverty, disaster, and injustice. For more information about World Renew, please visit worldrenew.net. If you still have a Peter Fish at home, please bring it back to church so we can use them again next year!

Save the Date!

The Christian Education Committee is in the initial stages of planning for another Christian Education Fund Auction in the spring! Save Saturday, **March 24** on your calendars and start thinking of ways you might be able to contribute!

Dordt Music Events

Dordt College will host guest artists Lewis Lipnick, contraforte, and Tammy Miller, piano, for a guest concert at 7:30 PM on Wednesday, **November 15**, in the B.J. Haan Auditorium. The recital is free and open to the public.

Workshop on Abuse

You are invited to attend a workshop that explains abuse and its effects on **November 17** at The Lighthouse of Bethel CRC in Sioux Center. Judy De Wit, a Bethel member and a licensed Marriage and Family Therapist, is providing this opportunity to learn more about this subject and will also allow time for attendees to give input and ask questions. Request a brochure from Judy (educator.84@hotmail.com) to learn more. The cost is \$20.

Hope Haven Concert

Hope Haven International presents "Rejoice! The Gift of Mobility" featuring Nashville recording artist Jill Miller on Tuesday, **December 19** at 7:00 PM. Tickets are \$15. A limited amount of VIP tickets are also available for \$25 and include a meet and greet and premier seating. Tickets are on sale at the Washington Pavilion Box Office or through www.washingtonpavilion.org. The Christmas concert will also feature the Sioux Falls Christian School hand bell choir. Proceeds will go towards funding wheelchair sponsorships for an upcoming distribution trip to Vietnam in 2018.

Save the Date

Day of Encouragement will be Saturday, **February 3, 2018** on the campus of Dordt College. This year's keynote speaker is Rev. Reggie Smith who will share his story of guiding change in transitional urban communities. Details will become available in November with registration opening **December 1**. The Day of Encouragement, sponsored by Dordt College, is a day to inspire, encourage and equip God's people for ministry. Everyone is welcome to participate.

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

	TODAY	NEXT SUNDAY, November 19
Greeters	AM: Ed B, Dave H, Zoe H ♦ PM: Luanne G, Sherri TN, John Z	
Ushers	AM: Erik H, Shirley T, Dave V ♦ PM: Bernie DW, Marv W	
Coffee	Wil A, Tina D, Sharon D, George F, John K, Merrill MC	
Subs	Mark C, Rin G, Cheri H, Andy L, Verne M, Lee R	
Sound/Projection	Andy L ♦ Dane H	Marv W ♦ Mark H
Nursery Nov. POM: Clarks	AM INF: Ruth C, Laura J TODDLER: Paul C, Eldon & Marcia W PM: Jake & Trena VW, Pam & Dennis DJ	AM INF: Alejandro & Isabel C, Megan H TODDLER: Ron & Carol O, Rob H PM: Ryan & Val Z, Bob & Rebecca DS

GREETERS, PLEASE EMAIL:

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THIS WEEK AT COVENANT

Today	9:00 AM	Covenant Sunday Morning
	9:00 AM	Sunday School & Catechism (grades 1-12)
	10:00 AM	Morning Worship
	12:00 PM	Schelhaas/Mellema Pastoral Group Dinner
	6:00 PM	Evening Worship
Monday	9:00 AM	Women's Community Bible Study
	7:00 PM	Full Council Meeting
Wednesday	9:30 AM	Coffee Break
	7:00 PM	Youth Group
	7:15 PM	Cadets (at Faith CRC)
Sunday, 19th	9:00 AM	Covenant Sunday Morning
	9:00 AM	Sunday School & Catechism (grades 1-12)
	10:00 AM	Morning Worship
	12:00 PM	Holtrop/Oostra Pastoral Group Dinner
	6:00 PM	Evening Worship
	7:30 PM	Sunday Evening Bible Study Group