# SUNDAY, March 4, 2018

**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**

Thank you to Rev. Liz Moss for preaching for us this morning and to Rev. Dan DeGroot for preaching this evening! This morning, we also have the privilege of witnessing the profession of faith of Arie Hoekstra, son of Erik and Barb.

## **Projection**

Thank you so much for your patience as we worship without projection. The worship committee, deacons, and some others will be meeting to discuss what our next step is. In the meantime, make sure you have access to a hymnal and a bulletin and enjoy the juggle!

#### **Note about the Bulletin Cover**

The bulletin covers during the season of Lent are linoleum block prints by Elizabeth Steele Halstead. This is what the artist said about the print *Crown of Thorns*, which will be on the cover through this season: "To the Lenten cross of wood the symbol of thorns and thistles is added. In sharp contrast to a splendid, kingly crown, Jesus Christ bore a crown of thorns. As a reminder of the toil mentioned in the Genesis account of the fall, thorns represent the complete suffering, pain, and lowliness Jesus submitted to in placing our sins and God's judgement on himself."

## Offerings for March

	AM	PM		
11	Christian Education Fund, Compassion Fund	Promise Community Health Center		
18	Missions Fund	Resonate Global Mission		
25	Tuition Assistance Fund	Back to God Ministries International		

**Last week's offering**Tuition Assistance Fund \$412.75
Siouxland Habitat for Humanity \$225.00

# **OUR CHURCH FAMILY**



# Happy Birthday this Week

Brian Mellema, Lee Rhoda, Annika Goslinga, Mark McCarthy, Amaliah Feliciano, Sara Ploegstra, Jeff Ploegstra, Lila Sybesma

## Happy Anniversary this Week

Davey & Kate Henreckson

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **Praying for Our Local Congregations**

This week, please be in prayer for God's blessing on the Central Reformed congregation and the ministry of Pastor Van Rathbun.



## **Pastoral Group Dinners**

Today the **Hibma/Crull** pastoral group will enjoy fellowship and a meal together at 12:00 PM. Visitors and college students are welcome to join them! We'll take a break the next two Sundays for Dordt's spring break, and on **March 25**, the **Mellema/Haan** pastoral group will meet.

#### **Covenant Choir**

All interested singers high school age and up are invited to sing in the choir for Maundy Thursday (**March 29**) and Easter (**April 1**). Please join us this week Monday night, **March 5**, at 7:30 PM to sing through some songs. We will be meeting in the Children and Worship room downstairs for this week.

## It's Coming...

Get ready for the Covenant Christian Education Auction! This is a wonderful night of fellowship and fun. Last year we auctioned off babysitting, a pool party, homemade pies, garden weeding, an art night at Jake's studio, cinnamon rolls, and much more! Meals were especially popular with attendees. We had a fish fry and a murder mystery dinner, an international dinner and soup delivered to your home. Best of all we laughed a lot, ate snacks galore and raised money for a cause about which we are passionate. Mark your calendars for **March 24**. More details to come.

#### Sioux Center Christian Salt Sale Is On!

The students from SCCS will be selling water softener salt to family and friends and also at supporting area churches. The salt comes in 40lb bags of crystals and will be delivered to your door and placed wherever you would like to store it on **April 28**. There is more information available on the order form placed in your mailbox today (SCCS families, your students will be bringing home an order form from school this week so you will not have one in your mailbox). If you did not find a form in your box and would like to order salt bags, please contact an SCCS student or Emily Kramer. Payment is due at the time you place your order. Orders placed in Emily Kramer's mailbox are due **March 21**.

# **NAMI Support Group**

The NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) Support Group will meet in the Fireside Room of Central Reformed Church from 7 to 9 PM on Tuesday, **March 6**. Andrew Boscaljon will present a training titled "NAMI Smarts for Advocacy." This training provides step-by-step tools and hands-on practice to help you tell your story in order to make a difference. Individuals and family members coping with mental illness are welcome. For information call Shirley Matheis (722-4462).

## **Community Unity Meal**

Everyone is invited to a free "Community Unity" meal in Sioux Center on Thursday, March 8, from 6:00-7:00 PM at New Life Reformed Church. The meal host of the month is First CRC.

#### Save the Date!

All women and girls are invited to *Night to Shine & Sparkle* at Trinity CRC in Rock Valley on **April 12**. Doors will open at 5:00 PM with multiple vendors to shop from and a light meal will be served. The event speaker, Image Truth, will share a message of hope, truth, and beautiful freedom to girls & women and their closets. Tickets will go on sale on **March 10** for \$15 each and can be purchased by emailing shinesparkle2018@gmail.com or calling/texting 712.449.8150.

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

	TODAY	NEXT SUNDAY, March 11	
Greeters	AM: Adam F, Tim K, Lila S → PM: Cal J, Barb T, John V		
Ushers	AM: Paul C, Joan MC, Jake VW → PM: Rebecca DS, Laurey Z		
Coffee	Alejandro C, Mark C, Jo F, Barb H, Kurt V, Dani W		
Subs	Duane B, Ruth Clo, Marge DB, Beth VB, Dennis VP, Eldon W		
Sound/Projection	Eric R  ← Mark H	Andy L   ★ Marty VP	
Nursery	AM INF: Erin E, Duane B	AM INF: Ana F, Kurt V	
March POM: Wyenbergs	TODDLER: Joe E, Jan B	TODDLER: Josue F, Sharon V	
	PM: Mark & Cheri H, Barb T	PM: Marty & Kris VP, Kathy DW	

### **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
	6:00 PM	Evening Worship
	7:30 PM	Sunday Evening Bible Study Group
Monday	9:00 AM	Women's Community Bible Study
-	7:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal
Tuesday	9:00 AM	Classis lakota Meeting (at Inspiration Hills)
Wednesday	9:30 AM	Coffee Break
•	7:00 PM	Youth Group
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