

## SUNDAY, April 22, 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. Chad Van Ginkel from Faith CRC for preaching for us this morning and to Barry Miedema for preaching this evening.

### GEMS Sunday

Since GEMS Sunday was cancelled on April 8 because of the winter weather, it has been rescheduled for next Sunday, **April 29**, at 6:00 PM at Faith CRC. There will be no service here at Covenant.

### Offerings for April

	AM	PM
29	General Fund Outreach Commitments	

### Offerings for May

	AM	PM
6	General/Building Fund	World Renew
13	Christian Education Fund, Compassion Fund	Bethany Christian Counseling
20	Missions Fund	Sioux City Gospel Mission
27	Tuition Assistance Fund	

<b>Last week's offering</b>	Missions Fund	\$1,509.01
	Hope Haven	\$718.00

## OUR CHURCH FAMILY



### Happy Birthday this Week

*Sofia Chuc-Feliciano, Stella Ribbens, Eden Hawley, Alejandro Castelan*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Praying for Our Local Congregations

This week, please be in prayer for God's blessing on the First Reformed congregation and the ministry of Pastors Travis Else and Jamie Dykstra.



### Pastoral Group Dinners

Today the **Schelhaas/Mellema** pastoral group will meet at 12:00 PM for fellowship and a meal. Visitors and college students are welcome to join them! Next Sunday, **April 29**, the **Holtrop/Oostra** pastoral group will gather for a meal.

### Cadet Picnic

The Faith/Covenant/Bridge of Hope Cadet picnic is rescheduled for Wednesday, **April 25**, at Faith CRC. We will have hotdogs, chips, lemonade, and s'mores to eat. We will pass out badges and hopefully launch the 7th graders' rockets. Be at Faith around 6:50 PM or so, and feel free to bring along a parent. All 4th grade boys are invited to come as well to see what Cadets is all about. Contact Joe Eggebeen with questions (joebeen@gmail.com or 712-578-8630).

### From the Council

After the morning service on Sunday, **April 29**, the congregation will vote for new office bearers. Members will be asked to approve any or all of the nominees for elder, and any or all of the nominees for deacon. The names of all nominees receiving approval of 2/3 of those voting will be eligible to be drawn the following Sunday, **May 6**. On that Sunday, we will draw the names of three elders and two deacons who will serve on Council. Thanks to everyone willing to let their name stand for nomination. The nominations for elder are Rebecca De Smith, Sally Jongsma, Jeff Ploegstra, Len Rhoda, Trena Van Wyk, and Kurt Vos. The nominees for deacon are Jenni Breems, Joe Eggebeen, Mark Horstman, and Marv Wielard.

## Sunday Evening Bible Study

Since there is no evening service here at Covenant next week, the Sunday Evening Bible Study group's next meeting will be Sunday, **April 29** at 5:00 PM with a light meal and DVD to follow.

## FOSSIL Gathering

The FOSSIL (60+) group will meet in Covenant's Fellowship Hall on Monday, **April 30** at 5:30 PM. If you would be willing to make a salad to share, please contact Pat Crull (722-1041 or sprull@mtcnet.net). Wil and Jo will share a little more about "Sharing Your Story." If you have a story to share, please take it along! RSVP to either Chris Goedhart or Pat Crull. Hope to see you there!

## Church Clean-Up Day

Join us for a church clean-up day on Saturday, **May 5**, from 8:30 AM to 12:00 PM. This is a day of work, fun, eating, drinking and church family time. Your deacons will be contacting you to let you know what area of the church your group needs work on. Children as well as adults are welcome to help... because it's your church and you love it to be clean and neat. Thanks for the help in advance! If you can't make it on May 5, please bring a snack to church to help in that way.

## Dordt Instrumental Ensembles Concert

The Dordt College Campus-Community Band, Chamber Orchestra, and Jazz Band will present a concert on Friday, **April 27**, at 7:30 PM in the B.J. Haan Auditorium in Sioux Center. Highlights include McBeth's dramatic and powerful *They Hung Their Harps in the Willows* and Genzmer's *Sinfonietta for String Orchestra*, along with the premiere performance of new works by Dordt composition students Daniel Amin and Nicholas Mills.

## Sioux County Oratorio Chorus

The Sioux County Oratorio Chorus, under the leadership of Dr. Thomas Holm, will perform Haydn's *Mass in Time of War* on Saturday, **April 28** at 7:30 PM in Christ Chapel at Northwestern College. Also known as the *Paukenmesse* for its dramatic use of timpani, the piece is sung in Latin and features four professional soloists, choir, and orchestra (and includes a few Covenant folk in both the choir and orchestra!). Make plans today to attend! Tickets for adults are \$8 in advance/\$10 at the door and \$5 for students. Tickets can be purchased at Northwestern's music office in Orange City, the Dordt music office in Sioux Center, in Sheldon at Touch of Hope, or from choir members (Cal J., Sanneke K., Sara P., Stan VB, or Jan V. can help you out!).

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

	TODAY	NEXT SUNDAY, April 29
Greeters	AM: Rob H, Jeff T, Marcia W ♦ PM: Pam DJ, Kathy DW, Len R	
Ushers	AM: Dave G, Rock MC, Sherri TN ♦ PM: Daryl H, Kris VP	
Coffee	Ana F, Sarah H, Mark Ho, Rachel L, Linda VH, Sharon V	
Subs	Sharon D, Sally J, Don TN, Kara T, Stan VB, Del VZ	
Sound/Projection	Nick B ♦ Dane H	Kayt F ♦ John K
Nursery April POM: Hulsteins	AM INF: Sherri TN, Mark C TODDLER: Don TN, Lisa C PM: Laremy & Becca DV, Ron & Carol O	AM INF: Isabel C, Lee M TODDLER: Alejandro C, Jenni M

### GREETERS, PLEASE EMAIL:

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## THIS WEEK AT COVENANT

<b>Today</b>	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
	7:30 PM	Sunday Evening Bible Study
<b>Monday</b>	7:00 PM	Elders Meeting
<b>Wednesday</b>	6:30 AM	Men's Bakery Study Group (at Casey's Bakery)
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