

SUNDAY, May 20, 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

Today is Pentecost, a day in which we celebrate the unleashing of the Holy Spirit on the world and the empowering of the church to share the gospel. Thank you to Dr. Justin Bailey for preaching for us this morning and Gale Tien for preaching this evening. We will install our new council members this morning and will share our joys and concerns this evening.

Offerings for May

	AM	PM
20	Missions Fund	Sioux City Gospel Mission
27	Tuition Assistance Fund	(worship at First CRC)

Last week's offering

Christian Education Fund	\$4305.09
Compassion Fund	\$478.75
Bethesda Christian Counseling	\$140.00

OUR CHURCH FAMILY



Happy Birthday this Week

Zoey Eggebeen, Phyllis Lesage, Everett Fedders, Rowan Haan, Kurt Vos, Lewis Clark

Happy Anniversary this Week

Ben & Laura Lappenga, Bernie & Kathy DeWit, Mark & Lisa Christians

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Praying for Our Local Congregations

This week, please be in prayer for God's blessing on the Lebanon CRC congregation and the ministry of Pastor Cory Van Sloten.

Mid-Sioux Reverse Offering

Today is the last day to bring items for the Mid-Sioux reverse offering to church! Please place them by the welcome table.

Sunday Evening Service Discussion

On Sunday, **June 3**, Covenant Sunday Morning will again focus on the issue of the evening service. The discussion in December proved to be very helpful, so much so that Council solicits additional response from the congregation before making a final decision. Representatives of Council will share information and specifics on the content and direction of its deliberations over the past six months. Whether you attend evening services regularly, occasionally, or seldom, we covet your counsel and insight, so please consider attending at 9:00 AM on **June 3**!

Christian Education Fund Update

Have you contributed to our Christian Education Fund this month? As mentioned earlier, we need to take in almost \$20,000 in both May and June in order to meet our tuition goals for this school year. Thank you to those who have given generously. So far we have taken in approximately \$11,000 for the month of May. If you have not given to the Christian Education Fund this month, please consider how you can help us meet our goal.

Homestays Needed for Kyiv Chorus

The Kyiv Symphony Orchestra Chorus, in association with Music Mission Kiev (Ukraine), will be touring the Midwestern United States and making a stop in Sioux County for a concert at Dordt College on Tuesday, **September 11**. This will be the 14th tour to the U.S. for this ensemble. Their mission is to transform lives through music, and to share a message of what is currently happening in Ukraine. Homestays for that same evening are needed for the approximately 50 adult musicians in this ensemble. If you are willing to contribute to this effort, please contact Sanneke Kok (sanneke.c.kok@gmail.com or 722-2254) by Friday, **June 1**.

Wellness on Wheels Bicycle Ride

Promise Community Health Center will hold its eighth annual Wellness on Wheels Bicycle Ride (WOW8) on Saturday, **June 2**. Four routes will be offered: 30- and 60-mile paved rides, a 30-mile gravel ride and a Family Fun Ride. Register by **May 24** for a discount, but registrations will be taken until the day of the event. Register online (wow8.eventbrite.com), pick up a registration form at Promise, or download a registration form from Promise's website. For more information, visit www.promisechc.org or contact Derrick Vander Waal (722-1700 or derrick@promisechc.org). Proceeds from the event will support Promise's mission of reaching out to underserved people in the area with medical, dental, vision/eye, and behavioral health care.

Hope Haven Fishing Benefit

Hope Haven will be holding its Annual Fishing Benefit at Lake Francis Case, Ft. Randall Dam on Friday, **June 8**, rain or shine. Registration fee is \$60 which includes an evening meal, entry gift, and eligibility for weigh-in prize categories. All proceeds will benefit Hope Haven Support Foundation. Registration is due by **June 7**. For more information and to register, visit www.hopehaven.org or call Scott (712-476-2820). Come enjoy a day of food, friends, fellowship, and fishing!

Cornerstone Prison Church Faith Fellowship Weekend

The next Faith Fellowship Weekend is **July 13-15**. The theme is discipleship and we will be looking to focus on Philip's actions in Act's 8:26-40. We would love to have you join us by attending all or part of the weekend. Please e-mail Jean Dyk (office@cornerstonepcsd.org).

Vacation Bible School

Wanted: Volunteers for Shipwrecked VBS **July 23-26!** Please prayerfully consider signing up to help. You can sign up on Bethel CRC's website at www.bethelsc.org under the Ministry tab. If you have any questions, contact Shawn Meyers (vbs@bethelsc.org).

Northwest Iowa Immigration Organizer

The CRC Office of Social Justice is seeking an organizer in the NW Iowa Region who is interested and eager to help develop area congregations' engagement and understanding of immigration. The organizer will develop relationships with church members to mobilize congregations to engage one or more of the four focus areas: education, worship, advocacy, and connection. This position will begin July 1, 2018 and end on June 30, 2019. Details at crcna.org/jobs.

Inspiration Hills Summer Camps

Inspiration Hills Summer Camp 2018 registration is filling up! Our theme for Summer Camp 2018 is "Be the Light", emphasizing Matthew 5:14. Check out all our dates and prices on our website (www.inspirationhills.org). We are also looking for 2 more female counselors this summer and 1 more male counselor for summer camp. If you know of anyone who is 18 and over or someone who has had a year of college under their belt, we would love to have them join us! Email Kristi Palsma (kristipalsma@inspirationhills.org) for more information.

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

	TODAY	NEXT SUNDAY, May 27
Greeters	AM: Donna B, Les S, Rog VH ♦ PM: George F, Ron O, Lee R	
Ushers	AM: Duane B, Beth VB, Trena VW ♦ PM: Jo A, John Z	
Coffee	Ruth Clo, Jill F, Luanne G, Luke H, Andy L, Dennis VP	
Subs	Bob DS, Dave G, Barb H, Mark H, Joan MC, Linda V	
Sound/Projection	Marv W ♦ Marty VP	Eric R ♦ Dane H
Nursery	AM INF: Erik H, Sarah H	AM INF: Mark H, Luanne G
May POM: Janssens	TODDLER: Barb H, Luke H PM: Daryl & Deb H, Barb T	TODDLER: Sara H, Dave G PM: (at First CRC)

GREETERS, PLEASE EMAIL:

Troy & Faith Bierma tbierma@gmail.com	Kelly & April Crull crulls@caimail.net	Dan & Jeananne Kuiper djkuip@aol.com	Sos & Kara Maletoungou smaletoungou@crcna.org	Mike & Megan Ribbens mribbens@gmail.com
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THIS WEEK AT COVENANT

Today	9:00 AM	Intergenerational Orchestra Rehearsal
	10:00 AM	Morning Worship
	6:00 PM	Evening Worship
Wednesday	6:30 AM	Men's Bakery Study Group (at Casey's Bakery)
Sunday, 27th	10:00 AM	Morning Worship
	6:00 PM	Evening Worship (at First CRC)