

SUNDAY, September 9, 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 Dr. Justin Bailey will be preaching during our morning service and this evening, Rev. Liz Moss will bring us the Word.

September 16 Evening Worship Opportunity

In Psalm 104, the writer sets an example for us as he offers up his meditation on the wisdom of God as seen in creation. He calls out specific aspects of the creation and reflects on how they all fit together. Join us next Sunday, **September 16** to spend time in the Dordt prairie, reading Psalms and meditating on some of God's good works. We will meet by the northwest corner of the Dordt soccer field at 6:00 PM.

Offerings for September

	AM	PM
9	Christian Education Fund	Family Crisis Center
16	Missions Fund, Safe Church Ministry	
23	Tuition Assistance Fund, Compassion Fund	Farmer to Farmer
30	General Fund: Ministry Shares	

Last week's offering	General Fund	\$8,703.00
	Building Fund	\$499.00
	World Renew: General Fund	\$241.00

OUR CHURCH FAMILY



Happy Birthday this Week

Doug DeBoer, Micah Goslinga, Laura Lappenga, Adam Kramer

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.

All Church Picnic

We will kick off the Sunday School year with an all church picnic at Children's Park after our morning service **today**. Serving will begin around 12:15 PM. The Council will be grilling hamburgers, veggie burgers, and hot dogs. Members of the congregation whose last name begins with A-K are asked to bring a large dessert and those beginning with L-Z are asked to bring a large salad. Chips and drink will be provided. Dordt students are encouraged to join us! Please bring your own table service – some will be available for students.

GEMS Kickoff

The Northstar GEMS will have their kickoff for our year on Wednesday, **September 12**. Girls in grades 4-8 are invited to Central Park at 6:00 PM. We'll play games, roast hot dogs, make our theme shirts, and finish the night with s'mores! Girls can be picked up at 8:00 PM. Registration and parents meeting is set for **September 26**. Questions? Contact Valerie Van Beek (712-449-8150).

Sunday Evening Bible Study

The Sunday Evening Bible Study will be starting the new year on Sunday, **September 16**. We will plan to meet at church at 4:30 PM to discuss what we would like to do for the coming year. Take an appetizer or small sandwiches to share and drinks will be provided. All are welcome to join us, and we invite you to bring ideas to share. Questions? Contact the Bajemas (722-3133).

Cadet Registration

Cadet registration will take place at 7:30 PM on Wednesday, **September 19**, at Faith CRC. All boys 5th-8th grade are invited. We need one parent to accompany their son to fill out forms with the counselors. The cost is \$35 for 6th-8th grade and \$45 for 5th graders. If you have any questions, please email fbccadets@gmail.com.

Directory Updates

It's time to make sure the church directory is up to date again! Can you check your listing on the welcome table, update or add any information, or mark your listing with an "OK" if all the information is correct? Thanks for your help!

Opportunities to Serve at Covenant

- We need help in Coffee Break Bible Study in the area of nursery workers. We need 2 helpers on Wednesdays from 9:30-11:00 AM. Contact Rin (722-4394) if you can help. Thanks!
- Are you interested in serving as a GEMS counselor or helper? We currently don't have any Covenant women helping with the GEMS program. If you're interested in playing a role in the lives of girls from Covenant, Bridge of Hope, and Faith CRC, contact Valerie Van Beek, the GEMS coordinator (northstar_gems@hotmail.com).
- GLUE stands for Giving, Loving, Understanding, Encouraging. The purpose of the GLUE team is to provide long-term support to individuals or families who have unique needs or gifts to provide an avenue for greater participation in the Covenant Church community. Sarah Hawley, our GLUE Coordinator, would love a few volunteers to help serve our Covenant family. Contact her if you're interested in helping (lukeandsarahhawley@gmail.com).
- The SAM (Service And Missions) Committee is looking for a few new members. Are you interested in being part of coordinating Covenant's mission efforts, both locally and globally? Contact Carol Oostra (cjoostra@mtcnet.net).

Siouxland Unity CRC Dinner Fundraiser

On Wednesday, **September 12**, your congregation is invited to join us at First CRC in Sioux Center from 5:00-6:30 PM for a fundraiser for Siouxland Unity CRC in Sioux City. Siouxland Church will prepare a meal of egg rolls, noodles, and curry. Come enjoy foods from a different culture and fellowship with our friends in Christ from Sioux City. Freewill donations will be accepted for Siouxland Unity CRC.

Community Unity Meal

Everyone is invited to a free "Community Unity" meal in Sioux Center on Thursday, **September 13**, from 6:00-7:00 PM at New Life Reformed Church. The meal host of the month is Trans Ova Genetics.

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

	TODAY	NEXT SUNDAY, September 16
Greeters	AM: Shirley T, Betty VP, Eldon W ♦ PM: Marge DB, Bernie DW, Jo F	
Ushers	AM: Mark C, Erik H, Kurt V ♦ PM: Wil A, Rin G	
Coffee	Jenni B, Steve C, Rebecca DV, George F, John K, John V	
Subs	Paul C, Doug DB, Pam DJ, Cal J, Gidge M, Jake VW	
Sound/Projection	Andy L ♦ Dane H	Nick B ♦ John K
Nursery	AM INF: Eldon W, Val Z	AM INF: Erik H, Deb H
Sept. POM: Hawleys	TODDLER: Marcia W, Ryan Z PM: Dave & Luanne G, Duane & Jan B	TODDLER: Barb H, Daryl H

GREETERS, PLEASE EMAIL:

Troy & Faith Bierma Kelly & April Crull Dan & Jeananne Kuiper Sos & Kara Maletoungou Mike & Megan Ribbens
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THIS WEEK AT COVENANT

Today	9:00 AM	Covenant Sunday Morning
	9:00 AM	Sunday School & Catechism (grades 1-10)
	10:00 AM	Morning Worship
	12:00 PM	All Church Picnic (at Children's Park)
	6:00 PM	Evening Worship
Monday	7:00 PM	Deacons Meeting
Tuesday	5:30 PM	Full Council Meeting
Wednesday	6:00 PM	GEMS Kick-Off (at Central Park)
Sunday, 16th	9:00 AM	Covenant Sunday Morning
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	10:00 AM	Morning Worship
	4:30 PM	Sunday Evening Bible Study
	6:00 PM	Worship in the Prairie (meet at NW corner of the Dordt soccer field)