SUNDAY, September 23, 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 Rev. Norlyn Van Beek will be preaching during our morning and evening service. We will celebrate communion this morning by coming forward to receive the elements. If you would like to be served in your seat, please let an elder know. This evening we will gather again for worship and will have an opportunity to share our joys and concerns. Our denomination has designated this Sunday as Abuse Awareness Sunday, so this evening our prayers and songs will keep that in mind.

Offerings for September

AM PI

23 Tuition Assistance Fund, Compassion Fund Farmer to Farmer

30 General Fund: Ministry Shares

Last week's offering Missions Fund \$1,253.60 Safe Church Ministry \$40.00

OUR CHURCH FAMILY



Happy Birthday this Week

Rachel Hibma, Becky Stevenson, Michael Ribbens, Paul Clousing, Aidan Vos, Levi Landman

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Praying for Our Local Congregations

This week, please be in prayer for God's blessing on the Hope Lutheran congregation and the ministry of Pastor Katie Russell.

GEMS Registration

The Northstar GEMS will have registration and a parents meeting on **September 26**. Registration and dues will also be collected at that time!

Pork 'n' Bands Fundraiser

The Second Annual Pork 'n' Bands will be held at the Fruited Plain Café on Saturday, **September 29** with the pulled pork meal serving as a fundraiser for the Christian Education Fund. Food will be served from 5:00-8:00 PM (or until it runs out!). We would appreciate your help! Please check out the sign-up sheets in the back of church and sign up for items to be donated or to help out the night of the event.



Pastoral Group Dinners

Our fall pastoral group dinners will begin next Sunday, **September 30** with the **Hibma/Eggebeen** pastoral group gathering to enjoy fellowship and a meal together at 12:00 PM. Visitors and college students are welcome to join them!

Get to Know the Maletoungous

- Sos and Kara Maletoungou (and their 4 boys), our missionaries in West Africa, will be worshiping with us on **October 7**. However, they are currently in the area and will be for several weeks, and would love to be included in as many activities as possible. Invite them to small group activities, for a meal, or for an hour or two in the park. (Phone: 406-539-7347)
- On Sunday, **October 7**, join the Maletoungous at 9:00 AM (there is no Sunday School and Covenant Sunday Morning that morning) to get to know them a bit better and hear more about their work in Africa. We will also have a potluck after our morning service on that Sunday with them. Sandwiches and chips will be provided and please bring a dish to share.

Sunday Evening Bible Study

The Sunday Evening Bible Study will be meeting the first and third Sundays at 5:00 PM at the church. We will be viewing "Dust to Glory" by R C Sproul for the first half of the year. Everyone is welcome to join us. Please take a light snack to share. Questions? Call the Bajemas (722-3133).

Save the Date!

Guess Who's Coming to Dinner is back again on Friday, **October 12**! Sign up at the welcome table or online to join in the fun! All adults are welcome to participate – couples, singles, college students – everyone! If you would like a ride or have a couple you would be more comfortable attending with, please let Laura Janssen know. Because of the logistics of the evening, we ask that children do not participate. However, let Laura know if you would like help finding childcare or if the cost of childcare would be prohibitive.

Shingling Project

We have a potential shingling project to raise money for Christian Education sometime on the weekend of **October 12-13**. Watch for more details to come!

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!

Healing the Wounded Heart

On **September 28-29** well-known author, founding seminary president, and therapist, Dr. Dan Allender, will be speaking at a conference entitled "Healing the Wounded Heart." This conference, being held at Dordt College, speaks into many of the painful and often hidden issues resulting from sexual abuse, providing hope for survivors and those who know or work with victims of sexual abuse. This event is being sponsored by Sioux Center Christian School, Bethesda Christian Counseling and Dordt College. Links to register for the conference are at www.siouxcenterchristian.com.

NAMI Support Group

The NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) Support Group will meet in the Fireside Room of Central Reformed Church in Sioux Center from 7 to 9 PM on Tuesday, **October 2**. Presenter: Shelly Rock — "Make It OK - Stop mental illness stigma." Individuals and family members coping with mental illness are welcome. For information call Shirley Matheis (722-4462).

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

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	TODAY	NEXT SUNDAY, September 30	
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	Kayt F → Marty VP	Kayt F ★ Marty VP	
Nursery Sept. POM: Hawleys	AM INF: Mark H, Erin E TODDLER: Sara H, Joe E, Barb T PM: Kris & Marty VP, Daye & Jan V	AM INF: Josue F, Sharon V TODDLER: Ana F, Kurt V	

GREETERS, PLEASE EMAIL:

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

THIS WEEK AT COVENANT

Today	9:00 AM 9:00 AM 10:00 AM 6:00 PM 7:30 PM	Covenant Sunday Morning (chapter 3) Sunday School & Catechism (grades 1-10) Morning Worship with Communion Evening Worship ETM (at First CRC)
Tuesday	7:00 PM	Elders Meeting
Wednesday	9:30 AM 7:00 PM 7:15 PM	Coffee Break GEMS Cadets
Saturday	5:00 PM	Pork 'N' Bands Pulled Pork Meal
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