

## SUNDAY, December 30, 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 we welcome Rev. Shirley Folkerts who will be preaching for our morning service. We will not gather for worship this evening, but encourage you to spend the time in rest, fellowship, Bible study, or renewal.

### New Year's Eve Service

We will gather on Monday, **December 31** at 6:00 PM to close the year together in worship.

### Offerings for December

	AM	PM
30	General Fund	

### Offerings for January

	AM	PM
6	General/Building Fund, World Renew: General Fund	
13	Christian Education Fund, Justice For All	
20	Missions Fund, Cadets	Cadets (at Faith CRC)
27	Tuition Assistance Fund, Bethany Christian Services	

<b>Last week's offering</b>	Tuition Assistance Fund	\$402.15
	Hope Food Pantry	\$40.00

## OUR CHURCH FAMILY



### Happy Birthday this Week

*Natalee Drissell, Jenni Mellema, Dallas Apol, Jo Alberda, Paola Gracia*

### Happy Anniversary this Week

*Kurt & Kayt Frisch, Josue & Ana Feliciano, Andy & Rachel Landman*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Praying for Our Local Congregations

This week, please be in prayer for God's blessing on the Church of Christ congregation and the ministry of Pastor Dustin Bolks.

### The January Series

The January Series begins this week at Covenant! We invite you to church from 11:30 AM to 12:30 PM each weekday from **January 3-23** to watch the January Series lectures livestreamed here at church. It is free and open to the public. Stop by ready to listen and learn! Visit <https://calvin.edu/january-series/speakers/> for more information.

### Church Education Schedule

Sunday School, Catechism, and Covenant Sunday Morning classes will resume for all on Sunday, **January 6** at 9:00 AM.

### The Emmaus Way

The three-week series on the Emmaus Way, led by Pastor Joel, will begin on Sunday, **January 13** at 6:00 PM. Nursery will be provided. Watch for more information to come.

### Chili and Cinnamon Roll Cook-Off

Plan to bring the family for dinner at Covenant on Friday, **January 25** at 5:30 PM. Sign up at the back table to bring a pot of chili or pan of cinnamon rolls to share and enter. (Covenant will provide the chili toppings.) We will eat potluck style and then vote on our favorites. The winners will receive a really commemorative prize. If you want to participate like a pro, bring a muffin tin so you can try multiple chilis at once!

### Save the Date(s)!

Warm Winter Wednesdays will be on **February 6 and 20** at 5:15 PM. Plan to have dinner and fun with your Covenant family.

### Cornerstone Prison Church Faith Fellowship Weekend

Join us for the Cornerstone Prison Church Faith Fellowship Weekend on Friday, **January 25** (6:00-8:00 PM) and **January 26 & 27** (7:15 AM to 4:00 PM). The theme for the weekend is "Year of Reconciliation" based on 2 Chronicles 7:14: "If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land." Join us for worship, large group talks, and small group discussions. The deadline for signing up is Monday, **January 7**. We would be happy to have you join us for part of the weekend or all of it. If you would like more information or to sign up, please contact us (office@cornerstonepcsd.org or call 507-215-3670). Thank you for considering this wonderful ministry opportunity!

### NAMI Announcements

- The NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) Support Group will meet in the Fireside Room of Central Reformed Church in Sioux Center from 7:00-9:00 PM on Tuesday, **January 8**. Individuals and family members coping with mental illness are welcome. For information call Shirley Matheis (722-4462).
- The NAMI Iowa Family-to-Family Education Program for family members of persons with mental illness will be offered at Central Reformed Church from 7:00-9:30 PM on Thursday evenings for 11 weeks beginning **January 10, 2019**. The course is FREE and will be taught by trained family member volunteer leaders, Barb Addink (712-567-4727), Shirley Matheis (722-4462 or nsmath@mtcnet.net), and Lynn Wielenga (722-1828). Please register today.

### The Prodigal Love of God

Join us **April 4-6, 2019**, at Dordt College for The Prodigal Love of God Conference: Reencountering Dort at 400 and Beyond. Through invited plenaries and panel discussions, this conference will feature conversations about the historical legacy and the future of Protestantism as well as the opportunities facing the global church in the decades ahead. Confirmed speakers include Marilynne Robinson, Richard Mouw, James K.A. Smith, Timothy George, Paul Lim, Suzanne McDonald, Jemar Tisby, and Tish Harrison Warren. Early bird registration ends **December 31**. More information can be found at [www.dordt.edu/plg](http://www.dordt.edu/plg) and register at [prodigalloveofgodregistration.eventbrite.com/](http://prodigalloveofgodregistration.eventbrite.com/)

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

	TODAY	New Year's Eve – December 31	NEXT SUNDAY, January 6
<b>Greeters</b>	AM: Isabel C, Paul C, Dave V ✦	PM: Wil A, Mark H, John K	AM: Dave G, Rachel L, Sherri TN
<b>Ushers</b>	AM: George F, Shirley T, Eldon W ✦		PM: Joan MC, Jake VW
<b>Coffee</b>	Marge DB, Ana F, Rin G, Cal J, Linda VH, Sharon V		Alejandro C, Bob DS, Sarah H, Cheri H, Jeri S, Linda V
<b>Subs</b>	Jenni B, Mark C, Rock MC, Les S, John V, Kurt V		Steve C, Zoe H, Len R, Don TN, Kara T, Beth VB
<b>Sound/Projection</b>	Kayt F ✦ Marty VP	Eric R	Doug DB ✦ ?
<b>Nursery</b> Dec. POM: Merrill MC Jan. POM: Clarks	AM INF: Duane B, Erin E TODDLER: Jan B, Joe E	PM: Marty & Kris VP, Barb T	AM INF: Josue F, Cheri H TODDLER: Ana F, Mark H

### GREETERS, PLEASE EMAIL:

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### THIS WEEK AT COVENANT

<b>Today</b>	10:00 AM	Morning Worship
<b>Monday</b>	6:00 PM	New Year's Eve Worship
<b>Wednesday</b>	6:30 AM	Men's Bakery Study Group (at Casey's Bakery)
<b>Thursday</b>	11:30 AM	The January Series (Todd Cioffi & Christiana deGroot)
<b>Friday</b>	11:30 AM	The January Series (Arthur C. Brooks)
<b>Sunday, 6<sup>th</sup></b>	9:00 AM	Covenant Sunday Morning
	9:00 AM	Sunday School & Catechism (grades 1-10)
	10:00 AM	Morning Worship