

SUNDAY, April 7, 2019

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 the fifth Sunday of Lent. Pastor Joel will be following the lectionary during this season and we will celebrate communion each week as we seek to follow the Emmaus Way in worship.

Children's Bulletins

Kids: you'll notice there are some different children's bulletins available. The Bible passages included in these bulletins will often be included in our worship services in the call to worship, the time of confession, or the sermon, so listen for Pastor Joel and others to read them as well!

Faith Formation Sunday Evening

This evening Mark Stephenson, director of CRC Disability Concerns, will be joining us for our 5:00 PM gathering. Mark will be sharing a "dialogue message" and will specifically focus on ministry to people with mental illness. We encourage everyone to join us, especially ministry leaders, Sunday school teachers, youth group leaders, worship planners, and small group leaders.

Offerings for April

7	General Fund	14	Christian Education Fund
21	Missions Fund	28	World Renew

Last week's offering

Building Fund

\$1238.06

OUR CHURCH FAMILY



Happy Birthday this Week

Megan Haan, Sam Eppinga, Sharon Dykhuizen, Sara Eppinga

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Praying for Our Local Congregations

This week, please be in prayer for God's blessing on the Bethel CRC congregation and the ministry of Pastor John Lee.



Pastoral Group Dinners

Today the **Jongsma/Mellema** pastoral group will enjoy fellowship and a meal together at 12:00 PM. Visitors and college students are welcome to join them! Next Sunday, **April 14**, the **Tazelaar/Oostra** pastoral group will meet.

Resurrection Garden Activity

We invite you to come next Sunday, **April 14** at 5:00 PM to plant a Resurrection Garden. Each household will be able to plant one garden to take home, and it is our hope that as you anticipate your grass seeds sprouting and growing during Holy Week, you will also anticipate our new life in Christ which we'll celebrate on Easter. To help us as we gather materials, please let us know if you plan to attend by filling out the google form linked in the eCoVenAnt email.

Calling All Singers:

The "Covenant Occasional Choir" will be singing on Palm Sunday and Easter this year and we invite all singers high school and older to join! Thank you to Ryan Smit who has agreed to direct again! We will rehearse on Wednesday **April 10** (at Faith CRC) and Monday, **April 15**, from 7:30-8:45 PM as well as Sunday **April 14 & 21** at 9:00 AM. We hope you join us!

Washing Communion Cups

As we celebrate communion each week during the season of Lent, we could use a little help washing communion cups. Each pastoral group will be assigned a Sunday. Watch for a message from your pastoral group elder with a request to help.

Community Unity Meal

Everyone is invited to a free "Community Unity" meal in Sioux Center on Thursday, **April 11**, from 6:00-7:00 PM at New Life Reformed Church. The meal host of the month is Sioux Center Christian School.

SCCS Trail'Raiser Night

Make plans to attend Trail'Raiser Night this Saturday, **April 13!** This is a debt-reduction event for Sioux Center Christian School, with a variety of donating opportunities. The Ford Test Drive event starts at 1:30 PM. Doors open at 3:00 PM, freewill supper serves from 4:30-6:30 PM, and The Price is Right game show begins at 7:00 PM. For all the details visit www.siuoxcenterchristian.com. We hope to see you there!

Hope Haven Gospel Concert

Back by popular demand, the best known name in Gospel Music, the Blackwood Brothers will be presenting a benefit concert on Saturday evening, **April 20** at 6:30 PM at the BJ Haan Auditorium at Dordt College. The concert will also feature the Master's Voice from Sioux Falls, SD and the Four For Him Quartet from Sanborn, IA. Tickets will be \$15.00 per person and sold at the door only. The doors will open at 5:00 PM. All proceeds from the concert will benefit the local and global ministries of Hope Haven. Mark your calendars now for a great night of gospel music!

ATLAS Auction

Join us for the ATLAS Auction on Friday, **May 3** at New Life Reformed Church. A meal will be served at 5:30 PM and the auction begins at 6:30 PM. Donations will be accepted until Wednesday, **May 1**.

Bible League International Spring Salad Luncheon

The Bible League International Spring Salad Luncheon is scheduled for Monday, **May 6** at 11:30 AM at the Alton Reformed Church (305 8th St. Alton, IA). Come and enjoy a fashion show featuring clothes from the Bibles for Missions Thrift Center. John Scafe, the national director of Bibles for Missions thrift centers will also be there at the luncheon. You are asked to bring a salad for every two people to share. Please give this prayerful consideration. The attendance has been down and it would be so great to have a large group come together to support the work of Bible League International.

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

	TODAY	NEXT SUNDAY, April 14
Greeters	AM: Joan MC, Merrill MC, Jake VW	
Ushers	AM: Paul C, Sherri TN, Beth VB	
Coffee	Isabel C, Rob H, Barb H, Dave G, Rachel L, Marcia W	
Subs	Ruth Clo, Bob DS, Chris G, Cheri H, Dave S, Linda V	
Sound/Projection	Andy L ♦ Mark H	Eric R ♦ Dane H
Nursery April POM: Janssens	AM: Ron & Carol O, Jason & Dani W PM: Adam & Robin F, Doug & Marge DB	AM: Lee & Jenni M, Paul & Ruth C PM: no nursery

GREETERS, PLEASE EMAIL:

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THIS WEEK AT COVENANT

Today	9:00 AM	Covenant Sunday Morning (The CRC and Ecumenism)
	9:00 AM	Sunday School & Catechism (grades 1-10)
	10:00 AM	Morning Worship
	12:00 PM	Jongsma/Mellema Pastoral Group Dinner
	3:30 PM	Profession of Faith Class
	5:00 PM	Formation Sunday Evening: Mark Stephenson, CRC Disability Concerns
	6:30 PM 7:30 PM	Sunday Evening Bible Study ETM (at First CRC)
Monday	7:00 PM	Deacons Meeting
Wednesday	6:30 AM	Men's Bakery Study Group (at Casey's Bakery)
	7:00 PM	GEMS
	7:15 PM	Cadets (at Faith CRC)
	7:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal (at Faith CRC sanctuary)
Sunday, 14th	9:00 AM	Choir Rehearsal
	9:00 AM	Sunday School & Catechism (grades 1-10)
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