

## SUNDAY, July 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

Thanks to Pastor Gil Kamps, one of Covenant's former pastors, for preaching today while Pastor Joel is away.

### Faith Formation Sunday Evening

This evening Gil and Janice Kamps will lead the evening gathering time at 5:00 PM. Janice will share some pictures and stories about their work in Kenya. Pastor Gil will lead the first part asking people to share a "Life Verse". A life-verse is a verse from Scripture that is meaningful to the person choosing it.

### Offerings for July

7	General/Building Fund	21	Missions Fund
14	Christian Education Fund	28	Compassion/Tuition Assistance Fund

**Last week's offering**                      Building Fund    \$4,889.75

## OUR CHURCH FAMILY



### Happy Birthday this Week

*Isabel Castelan, Sabine Feikema, Luke Hawley, Sharon Vos, Tom Clark, Nate Van Niejenhuis, Jill Friend, Dane Hibma*

### Happy Anniversary this Week

*Chris & Rin Goedhart*

## 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.

### Pastor Joel's Time Away

As you may have read in the June Courier, Pastor Joel will be taking some time off for both study and vacation. If you have any pastoral needs through July 9, please contact your pastoral group elder/deacon.

### From the Deacons:

During this evening's formation gathering, Gil and Jan Kamps would like to give you an opportunity to support the ministry they are involved with. They both teach at the Reformed Institute of Theological Training from January through April. This is a seminary located in Eldoret, Kenya. They are volunteers, paying their own expenses. An offering will be received and any donations they receive will go to the school and the students, many of which are very poor. We are looking forward to hearing more about their ministry in training pastors for the church in East Africa.

### From the SAM Committee:

Although it seems early to think about going back to school, Mid-Sioux is again launching their Kits for Kidz program. This allows them to provide a back pack and the school supplies needed for the children they serve for \$20. It's an easy way to distribute to low income families what their children will need to start school this fall, and they are hoping we will help with a donation of any size. **Today** is the last day to add your donations to the box on the welcome table. Let's help Mid-Sioux bless families in this way. Thank you!

### Early Bulletin Announcement Deadline

Sara has family in town later this week, so please send all bulletin announcements by Wednesday, **July 10**, at 10:00 AM this week.

### CovenAnts Needed!

We have another opportunity to be Community Builders as we help one of our family members and raise some funds for Christian Education. Chris Goedhart has asked for our assistance in building a 2-stall garage. This would include all framing, siding, and shingling. All concrete work and demo of existing garage will be taken care of before we get started. This will be a fun project for a lot of ages to learn and help. If you are available and willing to help with this project, talk to Adam Fedders or call/text him at 441-2073. We anticipate the project will run from **July 22 - August 3**. More details to follow as we get closer to the end of July.

### Children and Young People Grades 4-12:

Would you like to sing or play an instrument in church this summer? Please talk to or email Rebecca De Vries and let her know which Sunday you are available.

### From the Elders

The Elders of Covenant want to let you know that we will not be meeting with our mother congregation, First CRC, this July, as we have been in the habit of doing in years past. When we decided not to share Sunday evening worship services with First CRC, we were still discussing the issue of having one regular worship service in the morning and were not sure of what our Sunday evenings would look like. In addition, we at Covenant had just called Pastor Joel and First CRC did not yet have a pastor. As always, please feel free to talk to your elder if you have questions or comments about this decision.

### Move On In!

You'll notice that there are fewer chairs set up in the Fellowship Hall. We're making this change for the summer to make the deacons' job a bit easier and to bring more of us together into the sanctuary. We encourage all members to consider leaving the back rows available for families with young children.

### Vacation Bible School

ROAR VBS desperately needs more Crew Leaders! We have 102 kids signed up and only 16 crew leaders. That makes our groups very large and not ideal. Crew leaders bring a group of kids from station to station throughout the evening. There is no preparation needed and there are other leaders at the stations that lead the stations. VBS is **July 15-18**. Please consider serving in this way! You can sign up online ([www.bethel.sc.org](http://www.bethel.sc.org)). If you have any questions, contact Shawn Meyers at [vbs@bethel.sc.org](mailto:vbs@bethel.sc.org). Thank you!

### Community Unity Meal

Everyone is invited to a free "Community Unity" meal in Sioux Center on Thursday, **July 11**, from 6:00-7:00 PM at New Life Reformed Church. The meal host of the month is Farmers Coop Society. This is the final Community Unity Meal.

### Christmas in July

The Bible League Christmas in July will be held on Monday, **July 29**, at 1:30 PM at Faith Reformed Church in Rock Valley. You are asked to bring an item such as baked goods, crafts, plants, etc. to place on the silent auction table. You will be given time to view the items and place your bids. Sherri Ten Napel and Katie Haan will share what they experienced on their trip with Bible League International to Nicaragua. Hope to see many of you at this event.

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

	TODAY	NEXT SUNDAY, July 14
<b>Greeters</b>	AM: Jill F, Lila S, Barb T	
<b>Ushers</b>	AM: Bob DS, Tim K, Len R	
<b>Coffee</b>	Ruth Clo, Josue F, John K, Ron O, Dave S, Beth VB	
<b>Subs</b>	Dave G, Barb H, Rachel L, Nate VN, Dennis VP, Lois VZ	
<b>Sound/Projection</b>	Andy L ♦ Mark H	Eric R ♦ Marty VP
<b>Nursery</b>	AM: Tom & Ruth C, Nick & Jenni B	
<b>July POM: Felicianos</b>	PM: Laremy & Rebecca DV, Kathy DW	AM: Chris & Rin G, Andy & Rachel L PM: Dennis & Pam DJ, Lee R

### GREETERS, PLEASE EMAIL:

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## THIS WEEK AT COVENANT

<b>Today</b>	10:00 AM 5:00 PM	Morning Worship Formation Sunday Evening: Pastor Gil Kamps shares about his mission work
<b>Monday</b>	7:00 PM	Deacons Meeting
<b>Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup></b>	10:00 AM 5:00 PM	Morning Worship Formation Sunday Evening: Teaching by Pastor Joel