

SUNDAY, October 13, 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

This Sunday, Pastor Joel continues a series on the book of Romans in which we will explore both the vertical and horizontal dimensions of grace. Regarding the vertical, we will stand in the tradition of Augustine, Luther, Calvin, and others who have rejoiced to experience a saving welcome from God in Christ. Regarding the horizontal, we will seek to share the grace we have received by welcoming others as Christ welcomed us – to the glory of God. (See Romans 15:7) Thanks to Sophia Marcus for the bulletin art for our Romans series.

Faith Formation Sunday Evening

This evening at 5:00 PM, some Covenant members will be presenting a dramatization of *Black Sunday: Dust Bowl Sonnets* by Benjamin Myers. Through the imagined voices of people who lived in the iconic scenes of those hard times, we will witness their lives and hopes, their struggles with the land and with God. Invite your friends and stay for refreshments afterward!

Offerings for October

6	General/Building Fund	13	Christian Education Fund
20	Missions Fund	27	World Renew

Last week's offering	General Fund	\$8,691.96
	Building Fund	\$1,672.00

OUR CHURCH FAMILY



Happy Birthday this Week

Finley Drissell, Mark Horstman, Zoe Hoekstra, Pam DeJong, Pat Crull, Laura Janssen

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Praying for Our Local Congregations

This week, please be in prayer for God's blessing on the Covenant CRC congregation and the ministry of Pastor Joel Kok.



Pastoral Group Dinners

Today, **October 13**, the **Hibma/Eggebeen** pastoral group will enjoy fellowship and a meal together at 12:00 PM. Visitors and college students are welcome to join them! There is no Pastoral Group Dinner next week, but on **October 27**, the **Ploegstra/Haan** group will gather.

World Hunger Sunday



The fish are here! In three weeks, we will be observing World Hunger Sunday and taking a collection on behalf of World Renew's work with hungry people worldwide. We'll hand out Peter Fish banks during our morning service today and devotional books for both children and adults can be found in your mailboxes. If you'd like to switch which type of devotional booklet you take home, there are extras on the welcome table!

WE Service

On Sunday, **October 20** for our Sunday Evening Formation Gathering we will host another intergenerational WE service beginning at 5:00 PM. In light of Pastor Joel's teachings on the Lord's Prayer, this evening will include prayer stations based on each of the petitions of the Lord's Prayer. The interactive stations are geared for all ages and the evening will conclude with a shared meal provided by church. If you plan to attend, please sign up on the welcome table or respond to the RSVP sent out in the eCovenant email. And feel free to invite a friend!

Reformation Day Service

The congregations of Faith CRC and Bethel CRC warmly invite their sister CR congregations of Sioux Center to join them for a combined Reformation Day Service at Bethel on Sunday, **October 27** at 6:00 PM. Pastor John Lee will leading the service and Pastor Bob Pollema will be delivering the message. The offering has been designated for the Center for Financial Education. Additionally, all singers are invited to join their voices in a combined choir. Rehearsals will be held at Bethel on Sundays, **October 20 & 27** at 11:20 AM. For more information, please contact Deb Feekes (712-441-1767).

Guess Who's Coming to Dinner

Join us for our "Guess Who's Coming to Dinner?" event on Friday, **November 1** at 5:45 PM. Please sign up at the back table or online (the link is in the eCovenant email). If you haven't participated before, we have dinners in groups of around 8 people. You can sign up to be a guest or a host and you will be assigned a dish to bring ahead of time. However, we won't tell you whose house you are going to until that night when you drive through Covenant's overhang and are given the address of your host! (Of course, we will let hosts know that they are hosting ahead of time.) 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.

Interested in Small Groups?

Have you heard someone talking about Small Groups? Small Groups at Covenant are a way for families, couples, and singles to grow together in faith and fellowship. Groups meet once or twice a month for Bible study, fellowship, prayer, and other activities. If you are interested in becoming part of a small group, or if you would just like to know more about small groups, contact Bob or Rebecca De Smith or sign up on the table in the fellowship hall.

Winter Gear Drive

Today is the last day to drop off cold weather gear for Bridge of Hope's Winter Gear Drive. Bring your gently used or new winter coats, snow pants, boots, hats, gloves, scarves, clean blankets, tennis shoes (all sizes), monetary donations or gift cards to Walmart to the box by our church office. Questions? Contact Lisa (lidoelman@live.com).

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

	TODAY	NEXT SUNDAY, October 20
Greeters	AM: Pam DJ, Tim K, Len R	
Ushers	AM: Ruth Clo, Sharon D, Mark H	
Coffee	Ana F, Terry F, Rin G, Linda VH, Sharon V, Eldon W	
Subs	Doug DB, Zoe H, Ron O, Lee R, Les S, Beth VB	
Sound/Projection	Eric R ♦ Marty VP	Nick B ♦ Dane H
Nursery Oct. POM: Mellemas	AM: Doug & Marge DB, Alejandro & Isabel C PM: Mark & Lisa C, Barb T	AM: Bob & Rebecca DS, Emily S, Laura J PM: no nursery

GREETERS, PLEASE EMAIL:

Kelly & April Crull crulls@caimail.net	Ariel & Carlye Gomes carlyerenee@gmail.com	Dan & Jeananne Kuiper djkuiip@aol.com	Sos & Kara Maletoungou smaletoungou@crcna.org	Mike & Megan Ribbens mribbens@gmail.com	Ben & Tricia Groenewold Van Dyk tvandyk@crnapartners.org
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THIS WEEK AT COVENANT

Today	9:00 AM	Sunday School & Catechism (grades 1-12)
	9:00 AM	Covenant Sunday Morning (adults)
	10:00 AM	Morning Worship
	12:00 PM	Pastoral Group Dinner: Hibma/Eggebeen
	5:00 PM	Formation Sunday Evening: Black Sunday
	6:30 PM	Sunday Evening Bible Study
Monday	7:00 PM	Deacons Meeting
Wednesday	6:30 AM	Men's Bakery Study Group (at Casey's Bakery)
	9:30 AM	Coffee Break
	7:00 PM	Youth Group
	7:15 PM	Cadets (at Faith CRC)
Sunday, 20th	9:00 AM	Sunday School & Catechism (grades 1-12)
	9:00 AM	Covenant Sunday Morning (adults)
	10:00 AM	Morning Worship
	5:00 PM	Formation Sunday Evening: WE Service and meal
	7:30 PM	ETM Scavenger Hunt (at Dordt Campus Center)