# SUNDAY, March 5, 2017

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**

In this morning service, we begin our study of the lectionary Psalms for Lent. Each week, we will look at one of the Psalms together and the hope that it offers us in light of Lent. This morning we consider Psalm 32 and the hope of forgiveness. Immediately following the morning service, we will have a lunch and a WE service, looking together at the story of Jesus celebrating Passover with his disciples.

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## **Offerings for March**

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- 12 Christian Education Fund
- 19 Missions Fund
- 26 Tuition Assistance Fund

Cadets Promise Community Health Center Cornerstone Prison Church

Last week's offering

Tuition Assistance Fund ATLAS \$695.00 \$311.75

# **OUR CHURCH FAMILY**



## Happy Birthday this Week

Annika Goslinga, Mark McCarthy, Amaliah Feliciano, Sara Ploegstra, Jeff Ploegstra, Lila Sybesma, Benjamin Ploegstra, Del Vander Zee

Happy Anniversary this Week Davey & Kate Henreckson

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Praying for Our Local Congregations**

This week, please be in prayer for God's blessing on the Free Grace Reformed congregation.

### **Church Education Schedule**

Sunday School, Catechism, or Covenant Sunday Morning will resume next Sunday, **March 12** at 9:00 AM! Covenant Sunday Morning (adult Sunday School) concluded our study last week on the book of Galatians and will begin a 3 session inquiry series led by Sara and Robbin Eppinga. We will be exploring the following questions: What are all of the varying definitions of 'the Gospel'? How does our definition of 'the Gospel' influence our view of the world and our place in it? How does our worldview influence how we live, what our priorities are, causes we will stand up for, our political leanings, our extra-Biblical belief systems, and the essence of our Christian faith and walk? Join us for a time of learning together!



### **CovenAnts Needed!**

We need some volunteers to help get the parsonage kitchen ready for remodeling. Would you have some time to offer **March 15-18**? There are jobs for all skill levels! Call Ron Oostra if you can help during those days! (712-441-7747)

## The Sioux Center Christian Salt Sale Is On!

This is a new fundraiser and we need your help! The students from SCCS will be selling water softener salt to family and friends and also at supporting area churches. The salt will be delivered to your door and placed wherever you would like to store it. There is more information available on the order form placed in your mailbox today (SCCS families, your students will be bringing home an order form from school this week so you will not have one in your mailbox). If you did not find a form in your box and would like to order salt bags, please contact an SCCS student or Emily Kramer. Payment is due at the time you place your order. Thanks for your continued support of Sioux Center Christian School!

## Volunteers Needed - Can You Help?

We could use a few volunteers to go to Children in Worship with Dalton Hulstein. Dalton needs just a little guidance during Children in Worship, which includes sitting on the floor next to him, helping him complete activities, and helping him learn the routine. This is a great opportunity to serve on a flexible basis, and to allow Dalton's parents an opportunity to worship. Please contact Sarah Hawley (lukeandsarahhawley@gmail.com) if you are able to help – you can indicate when you are available. A short meeting will be schedule with volunteers to make sure everyone is comfortable!

### **Our Journey 2020 Survey**

Our denomination would like our help! They conduct a survey of churches each year as a way to listen well and our church has been chosen to respond this year. The survey seeks to measure progress towards the five "desired futures" of our shared plan as a community. To learn more about Our Journey 2020, including stories of how God is already at work through the CRC, visit crcna.org/OurJourney, and to fill out the survey, visit crcna.org/survey and select our church.

#### NAMI

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 to 9:00 PM on Tuesday, **March 7**. Individuals and family members coping with mental illness are invited to join us. For information call Shirley Matheis (722-4462).

#### **Community Unity Meal**

Everyone is invited to a free "Community Unity" meal in Sioux Center on Thursday, **March 9**, from 6:00-7:30 PM at New Life Reformed Church. The meal host of the month is First CRC.

#### **Center for Financial Education Annual Meeting**

We would like to invite you to CFE's Annual Meeting which will be held this year on **March 14** at 6:30 AM at the CFE offices. This will be a time to hear about the previous year, elect officers, and plan for the coming years.

#### **Gospel Outreach to People of Other Faiths**

A seminar--Gospel Outreach to People of Other Faiths--will be hosted by New Roots Ministry on Saturday, **March 18** from 10:00 AM to 2:15 PM. It will be in the Community Room of the Sioux Falls Ministry Center (225 E. 11th St., Sioux Falls, SD) Speakers will include Salom Silwal, formerly a Hindu and now a Christian pastor, and Aaron Myers of the Crescent Project. Come to learn, to be inspired, and to enjoy an ethnic meal! There is no cost, but free-will donations can be given. If able, please RSVP (let us know) by **March 13** if you will attend by calling or texting (605-376-6330).

	TODAY	NEXT SUNDAY, March 12	
Greeters	AM: Lee R, Jeff T, Rog VH  ← PM: Pam DJ, Kathy DW, George F		
Ushers	AM: Rebecca DS, Barb H, Jake VW + PM: Joan MC, Laurey Z		
Coffee	Jo A, Jill F, Luanne G, Daryl H, Cheri H, Ron O		
Subs	Ethan B, Marge DB, Robin F, Megan H, Sarah H, Eldon W		
Sound/Projection	Marv W 🔶 John Kok	Andy L 🔶 Marty VP	
Nursery	AM INF: Mark & Lisa C, Sarah H	AM INF: Jo F, Sharon V	
March POM: Clarks	TODDLER: Mark & Sara H, Luke H	TODDLER: Mark & Merrill MC, Kurt V	
	WE: Lee & Jenni M, Pat K	PM: Chris & Rin G, Ethan & Donna B	

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

#### **GREETERS, PLEASE EMAIL:**

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## THIS WEEK AT COVENANT

Today	10:00 AM 11:30 AM	Morning Worship Lunch and WE Service with Communion
Monday	9:00 AM	Women's Community Bible Study
Wednesday	9:30 AM 7:00 PM 7:00 PM 7:15 PM	Coffee Break Youth Group GEMS Cadets (at Faith CRC)
Thursday	7:30 PM	SAM Committee Meeting
Sunday, 12 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 AM 9:00 AM 10:00 AM 6:00 PM	Sunday School (grades 1-12) Covenant Sunday Morning Morning Worship (Pastor Duane Tinklenberg preaching) Evening Worship (Pastor Cory Van Sloten preaching)