

SUNDAY, July 2, 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's worship service we continue our series on the early chapters of Genesis by looking together at the story of the Fall. Together we will see the pointed emphasis of this story on God's redemptive work. In the evening, we will gather at First CRC for a combined worship service.

July Evening Worship with First CRC

As is our tradition, we will join with First CRC for evening worship in the month of July. We plan to gather for worship at First CRC on **July 2 & 9**, and First CRC will join us here at Covenant on **July 16 & 23**.

Offerings for July

AM
9 Christian Education Fund
16 Missions Fund
23 Tuition Assistance Fund
30 Christian Education Fund

PM
The Banquet (at First CRC)
World Renew: Free a Family
New Life Treatment Center

Last week's offering

Missions Fund: Amistad Cristiana

\$916.00

OUR CHURCH FAMILY



Happy Birthday this Week

Stuart Buckingham, Annemieke Lappenga, Stan Vanden Berg, Fednel Themistol, Merrill McCarthy, Mary Dengler, Gidge Meyer, Isabel Castelan, Priscila Chuc-Feliciano, Luke Hawley, Sharon Vos

Happy Anniversary this Week

Luke & Sarah Hawley, Pastor Kory & Lauren Plockmeyer

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Praying for Our Local Congregations

This week, please be in prayer for God's blessing on the Faith CRC congregation and the ministry of Pastors Bob Pollema and Chad Van Ginkel.

First CRC/Covenant Intergenerational Orchestra

We will worship with the congregation of First CRC at Covenant on the evening of **July 16**. All strings players going into 5th grade through adult are invited to participate in an intergenerational orchestra during that service. Rehearsals are tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, **July 12**, at 7:00 PM and Sunday, **July 16**, at 4:30 PM. If you are able to participate, please contact Jill Friend (722-0824 or jfriend@siouxcenterchristian.com).

Church Campout

The July Courier has an article about plans for an outdoor worship service on **July 30** as well as an all-church campout that weekend. Check out the article and if you're interested in reserving a campsite, please Nick Breems as soon as possible (nick.breems@dordt.edu).

Christian Education/Legacy Plan Update

We are grateful for the generous giving in June. Offerings totaled \$16,991. Thank you! We still need to raise another \$20,000 to meet our promised Legacy gift. We ask that *every member* prayerfully consider an *extra* gift during this final month to help us meet our commitment for the Christian education of our Covenant children.

Young Children and Worship

Do you enjoy working with young children? If so, please consider becoming a part of the Young Children and Worship program. We are looking for leaders and helpers (6th grade and older) to assist with our worship times for 3-year-olds through Kindergartners. If you are interested in helping with this important ministry, please contact Rebecca De Smith (722-1278 or bdesmith@mtcnet.net) by **August 6**. Thank you!

Parents of children entering grades 3-8 and high school students:

Rebecca De Vries and the worship planners would like to find out more about your children's gifts as they pertain to the worship life of Covenant. If you haven't done so already, we would appreciate it if you would help them fill out a survey so that we can consider ways to involve them in our worship services. See the eCovenant email for the link. If you would prefer a paper copy of this form, please contact Rebecca De Vries (worship@covenantcrc.net).

Vacation Bible School Help Needed

Maker Fun Factory Vacation Bible School on **July 24-27** at Bethel CRC is almost full! But we don't have enough Factory workers yet! We need Crew Leaders to lead a group of 6-8 kids from station to station throughout the night. There are two crew leaders assigned to each group so we need a lot of crew leaders! We also need people to help with games, assisting the game leader in setting up them up and while the kids are playing them. Please prayerfully consider helping in these areas! The registration sign up and volunteer sign up are on Bethel's website (www.bethelsc.org).

Hope Haven Announcements

- Hope Haven will be holding a Bus Tour on Friday, **July 14**. Registration will be held at First CRC in Rock Valley at 7:00 AM. Entry fee is \$80, which includes lunch. The bus will depart at 7:30 AM for Hurley, SD, touring vintage tractor collections in South Dakota. Please register on or before **July 6** for the bus tour.
- Thursday, **July 20**, is our annual Tractor Ride. Registration for this event will be held at Town and Country Implement in Rock Valley. Registration times are from 4:00-5:00 PM. Tractors will depart at 5:30 PM for Carmel with a stop at Post Equipment. Supper will be provided at Town and Country Implement after the ride. There will be a freewill donation for this event.

To pre-register or for more information, contact Scott Koedam (712-476-2820 or skoedam@hopehaven.org).

Senior Companion Program

Would you like to make a difference for other adults in your community? If you are 55 or better, the Senior Companion Program would love to help you get started! Volunteer benefits are available. Senior Companion volunteers work with adults one-on-one to help them maintain their independence in their own homes through visiting and assistance. Be that friend and companion to someone who can use your support to improve their quality of life. For more information about being a volunteer or receiving Senior Companion services, please contact the nearest Senior Companion office (712-476-2628 or 712-224-2610) or view their website (www.rvrseniorvolunteerprograms.org).

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

	TODAY	NEXT SUNDAY, July 9
Greeters	AM: Natalie B, Bob DS, Linda V ♦ PM: Wil A, Mary D, Jo F	
Ushers	AM: Dave G, Tim K, Kurt V ♦ PM: Duane B, Daryl H	
Coffee	Isabel C, Paul C, Ana F, Lydia M, Linda VH, Dennis VP	
Subs	Sally J, Rachel L, Fednel T, Marty VP, Lois VZ, Jan V	
Sound/Projection	Andy L ♦ Mark H	Doug DB ♦ Micah G
Nursery	AM INF: Dennis & Pam DJ, Jan B	AM INF: Ron & Carol O, Luanne G
July POM: Mellemas	TODDLER: Doug & Marge DB, Duane B PM: (at First CRC)	TODDLER: Rob & Megan H, Dave G PM: (at First CRC)

GREETERS, PLEASE EMAIL:

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THIS WEEK AT COVENANT

Today	10:00 AM 6:00 PM	Morning Worship Evening Worship at First CRC
Sunday, 9th	10:00 AM 6:00 PM	Morning Worship (Pastor Herm Van Niejenhuis preaching) Evening Worship at First CRC