

SUNDAY, April 28, 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

The good news of Easter is not contained to one Sunday – the season of Eastertide continues until Pentecost. “This season is designed for extended celebration, for exploring the ramifications of Easter for the redemption of all creation, and for joyful Christian living.” (*The Worship Sourcebook*) We continue to follow the lectionary this morning as we look at some of the events following Christ’s resurrection.

Faith Formation Sunday Evening

At 5:00 PM today, Mary Ploegstra will offer a testimony of suffering loss and coming to know our God as the Father of all consolation. We will also have time for dialogue and some biblical teaching. Everyone is invited.

Offerings for April

28 World Renew

Offerings for May

5	General Fund	12	Christian Education Fund
19	Missions Fund	26	World Renew

Last week’s offering

Missions Fund

\$1,052.90

OUR CHURCH FAMILY



Happy Birthday this Week

Jacob Van Tol, Luanne Goslinga, Ale Castelan

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Praying for Our Local Congregations

This week, please be in prayer for God’s blessing on the Central Reformed congregation and the ministry of Pastor Van Rathbun.

Reverse Offering for Mid-Sioux

Covenant has the opportunity to serve and love our neighbors by providing grocery items to help fill the Food Pantry at Mid-Sioux Opportunity, Inc. Today we will take a reverse offering after our regular offering baskets have been passed. Please take a slip of paper (or a few!) and purchase the item on the paper. Donations should be brought back to church by Wednesday, **May 15**.

From the Council

After the morning service **today**, the congregation will be voting for new office bearers. Members will be asked to affirm some, any, or all the nominees for Elder, and some, any, or all the nominees for Deacon. The names of all the nominees receiving approval of 2/3 of those voting will be eligible to be drawn next Sunday, **May 5**. On that Sunday, we will draw the names of two Elders and three Deacons who will serve on Council for the next three years. Thank you to everyone willing to allow their name stand for nomination. The nominations for Elder are Melissa Bailey, Jill Friend, Barb Schaap, John Visser, and John Zwart. The nominees for Deacon are Jenni Breems, Adam Fedders, Ross Feikema, Josue Feliciano, Luanne Goslinga, Dane Hibma, Mark Horstman, and Kris Vander Plaats. Contact Steve Holtrop or Dennis DeJong if you have any other questions about the voting process!

F.O.S.S.I.L. Gathering

The F.O.S.S.I.L. group (60+) will meet Monday, **April 29** at 5:30 PM. We will share a soup supper, and Dr. Duane Bajema will speak with us about bees; please come with questions about bees. If you plan to attend, please RSVP to Marv Wielard (wielard@dordt.edu or 712-441-7353). Also let Marv know if you are willing to bring a pot of soup.

Christian Education Hostess Supper

The Christian Education Committee is planning a hostess supper for Friday, **May 3** at 6:00 PM. Look forward to an evening of good food, fellowship, and entertainment. If you'd like to attend and have not yet been contacted, please contact Steve Crull. Of course, don't forget your checkbook as the goal for the evening is to raise funds towards our Legacy Plan contribution. Please note that childcare will NOT be provided at church for this event.

Church Clean-Up Day

It's time to come together again to give our church a good spring cleaning! We invite Covenant folk of all ages to come on Saturday, **May 4** from 8:30 AM to 12:00 PM (or earlier if we have lots of helpers!) to help clean up the church, both inside and out. Watch for more information from your pastoral group deacon about your pastoral group's area of responsibility.

Save the Date:

On Friday, **May 24** at 5:30 PM, the Fellowship Committee will be hosting a mac & cheese dinner with a Bingo night to follow. Mark this date on your calendars!

Community Prayer Meeting

You are invited to a monthly community prayer meeting with a global focus. We will join together as churches in Sioux County to pray with a different global and local focus at each meeting. The first meeting will be Wednesday, **May 1**, from 7:30-8:30 PM at New Life Church (232 16th St SE, Sioux Center). The focus will be praying for Muslims to kick off prayer during the month of Ramadan. Future gatherings will be on the 1st Wednesday of each month and will be hosted and led by members of various local churches.

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.

NAMI Support Group

The NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) Support Group will meet in the Fireside Room of Central Reformed Church in Sioux Center from 7 to 9 PM on Tuesday, **May 7**. Topic: Borderline Personality Disorder. Individuals and family members coping with mental illness are welcome. For information call Shirley Matheis (722-4462).

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

	TODAY	NEXT SUNDAY, May 5
Greeters	AM: Joan MC, Merrill MC, Jake VW	AM: Luanne G, Zoe H, Merrill MC
Ushers	AM: Paul C, Sherri TN, Beth VB	AM: Bernie DW, Trena VW, Kris VP
Coffee	Isabel C, Rob H, Barb H, Dave G, Rachel L, Marcia W	Jan B, Natalie B, Sharon D, Jo F, Daryl H, Dani W
Subs	Ruth Clo, Bob DS, Chris G, Cheri H, Dave S, Linda V	Duane B, Luke H, Cal J, Gidge M, Jeri S, Del VZ
Sound/Projection	Doug DB ♦ Marty VP	Jeff P ♦ Mark H
Nursery April POM: Janssens May POM: Clarks	AM: Pam & Dennis DJ, Nick & Jenni B PM: Laremy & Becca DV, Chris & Rin G	AM: Andy & Rachel L, Emilyn S, Lee R PM: John & Linda V, Eldon & Marcia W

GREETERS, PLEASE EMAIL:

Kelly & April Crull Ariel & Carlye Gomes Dan & Jeananne Kuiper Sos & Kara Maletoungou Mike & Megan Ribbens
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THIS WEEK AT COVENANT

Today	10:00 AM 11:15 AM 5:00 PM	Morning Worship Council Nominee Voting Formation Sunday Evening: Testimony (Mary Ploegstra)
Monday	5:30 PM	F.O.S.S.I.L Gathering
Wednesday	6:00 PM	Youth Group
Friday	6:00 PM	Hostess Supper
Saturday	8:30 AM	Church Cleaning Day
Sunday, 5th	10:00 AM 5:00 PM	Morning Worship Formation Sunday Evening: Worship with Unity Knightsounds