

## SUNDAY, October 20, 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: Lord's Prayer WE Service

This evening 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. And feel free to invite a friend!

### Offerings for October

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

### Last week's offering

Christian Education Fund

\$4,295.94

## OUR CHURCH FAMILY



### Happy Birthday this Week

*Esther Eppinga, Erin Eggebeen, Lydia Clark, Marv Wielard, Layne Vos*

## 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 Pastor Bob Pollema.



### Pastoral Group Dinners

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

### 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.

## Christian Education Fund Auction

Join us for the Christian Education Fund Auction on Friday, **November 15** at 6:00 PM. Childcare will be provided. Start thinking of auction items you might be able to donate and sign up on the welcome table. Contact a Christian Education Committee member with any questions (Jenni Mellema, Adam Fedders, Steve Crull, Megan Haan).

## World Hunger Sunday



In two weeks, we'll observe World Hunger Sunday. But God wants more than an observance of days – he wants our hearts. There are extra Peter Fish and devotionals on the welcome table – we encourage you to take them home and spend time over the next two weeks considering His call to “spend ourselves in behalf of the hungry.”

## Christian Education Fund

The Deacons and the Christian Education Committee would like to thank you for your continued support and financial giving toward the Christian Education Fund. We are off to a great start this year with a few fundraisers completed. Thank you to everyone who helped with the Goedhart's garage, Pork N Bands, Silage Pile covering, and Elderberry picking. We would like to continue to encourage you to prayerfully consider how you can help us meet our monthly obligations, which total around \$15,500 each month. Remember to put the Christian Education Auction on your calendar for **November 15!**

## Brahms Requiem

Have you always wanted to sing the Brahms *Requiem*? The Sioux County Oratorio Chorus begins this year's season with a special, fall session of rehearsals to get ready for a collaborative performance of the Brahms *Requiem*, in English, with the Northwest Iowa Symphony Orchestra on **April 7, 2020!** Fall rehearsals will be Tuesday nights 7:30-9:30 PM from **October 22 – November 20** in the choir room at Northwestern College. Regular spring rehearsals will begin again on **January 14, 2020**. Join us for this masterpiece of choral literature and see what SCOC is all about!

## The Tech-Wise Family

Sioux Center Christian School will be leading a family night discussion on navigating technology in our homes and with our kids using the book *The Tech-Wise Family* by Andy Crouch. Any congregation member is invited to join us. We will meet 3 times: **November 12, December 10, and January 14**, from 7-8 PM in the orchestra room. Childcare will be provided. If you are interested in participating, please sign up at this link: <https://forms.gle/FcjDiLdW5drGCzWp7> by Friday, **October 25**.

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

	TODAY	NEXT SUNDAY, October 27
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: Bob & Rebecca DS, Emilyn S, Laura J PM: no nursery	AM: Duane & Jan B, Daryl & Deb H PM: no nursery

### GREETERS, PLEASE EMAIL:

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

<b>Today</b>	9:00 AM	Sunday School & Catechism (grades 1-12)
	9:00 AM	Covenant Sunday Morning (adults): <i>The Techwise Family</i> Chapter 1
	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)
<b>Monday</b>	7:00 PM	Elders Meeting
<b>Wednesday</b>	9:30 AM	Coffee Break
	7:00 PM	GEMS
	7:00 PM	Youth Group
	7:15 PM	Cadets (at Faith CRC)
<b>Sunday, 27<sup>th</sup></b>	9:00 AM	Sunday School & Catechism (grades 1-12)
	9:00 AM	Covenant Sunday Morning (adults) <i>The Techwise Family</i> Chapter 2 & 3
	10:00 AM	Morning Worship
	5:00 PM	Formation Sunday Evening: WE Service and meal
	6:00 PM	Joint Reformation Day Service (at Bethel CRC)
	6:30 PM	Sunday Evening Bible Study