

SUNDAY, September 27, 2020

WORSHIP NOTES

Worship Services Online

Click [here](#) to find the livestream for our worship services on Facebook (or copy this link and paste it into your browser: <https://www.facebook.com/Covenant-CRC-520064914738965/>). Then click on the "Videos" section on the left hand side. It will say "live" next to it when we are live. Remember, the video will not show up until a few minutes before 10:00 AM. You can also choose to watch a recorded version of the service after it is over (please note that there may be some dead space at the beginning of the video before worship begins).

Worship on Sunday Morning

This Sunday, **September 27**, we gather in our building for worship with Pastoral Groups 4 (Brue/Goslinga), 5 (Schaap/Rowe), and 6 (Rhoda/Sybesma) welcome in the sanctuary and the rest worshipping online via Facebook Live. For those worshipping in the building, we **highly encourage you to wear a mask, especially if you plan to sing**. We acknowledge that it's not always comfortable and things are not as they should be. We also encourage you to move outdoors to socialize after the service! Here is a link to the [mobile-friendly worship guide](#). This Sunday, Pastor Joel will be focusing on the fourth part of the Lord's Prayer, "Thy will be done," as we look at the ways this prayer leads us into discipleship.

Faith Formation Sunday Evening

Join us on Sunday evening at 5:00 PM for our evening formation gathering! This Sunday evening, the Van Wyks will share a bit about their experiences with losing Jake's studio to fire and gaining a new one.

Welcoming Guests to Covenant

While we are limiting in-building worship to three pastoral groups at this time, we wanted to remind you that you are still welcome to invite guests and those looking for a church home to visit Covenant on any Sunday.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Praying for Our Local Congregations

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

October Courier

The October Courier can be read [here](#) or you can grab a copy in the NE entrance of church or the bulletin table.

A Giving Opportunity:

In response to our community's need, we are collecting items for Mid-Sioux and the Hope Food Pantry. During the month of **September**, we are encouraging Covenant's members to donate canned fruits and vegetables. You can bring them to church anytime during the month. Please place the items in the basket in the NE entry or in one of the baskets in church. Thank you for your generosity!

Weekly Family Devotions on the Lord's Prayer

During September and October, Pastor Joel will be preaching on the petitions of the Lord's Prayer and what this prayer can teach us about discipleship, especially during our current trying time. Members of the Faith Formation Committee are putting together simple family devotions that relate to each of the petitions. We hope you will find them relevant and engaging, no matter your age! You can find them at the links below or feel free to stop by and pick up a copy in the NE entry at church!

- Week 1 (September 1-5): [printer-friendly option](#) and [mobile-friendly option](#)
- Week 2 (September 7-12): [printer-friendly option](#) and [mobile-friendly option](#)
- Week 3 (September 14-19): [printer-friendly option](#) and [mobile-friendly option](#)
- Week 4 (September 21-26): [printer-friendly option](#) and [mobile-friendly option](#)
- Week 5 (September 28-October 3): [printer-friendly option](#) and [mobile-friendly option](#)

Church Directory

It's time to get a new church directory out again! Since not all of us are in the building as regularly right now, I will be updating your directory listings by sending you an email this year. Please watch for it in the coming weeks, and I would appreciate a quick reply –either letting me know that the information is all correct, or communicating any changes/updates I need to make. Thanks for your help!

Covenant Shares Table

If you have extra garden produce to share, please bring it along to church with you! During the week, drop off or pick up produce on the table in the NE entrance.

JFA Fall Banquet & Annual Meeting/Auction

Justice For All is changing things up this year! You're invited to join us at the combined Fall Banquet & Annual Meeting/Fall Auction on Thursday, **October 1**. Dinner is at 6:00 PM at the Parkview Events Center in Rock Valley. Due to COVID, we will not be inviting a ministry partner to travel this year, but you will hear from many of them virtually! There will be a short business meeting. The Fall Auction will be looking a bit different this year, as much of it will be online. There will be a silent auction at the event and a complete list of online items will also be available. Reservations for the meal are necessary and can be made by calling 712-476-2804 or emailing joeldw@jfa-nwiowa.org. Please join us as we celebrate JFA ministry, both past and future, as well as support JFA ministry through the auction! An offering will be taken for JFA ministry.

Walk the Talk Event

ATLAS of Sioux Center is hosting a "Walk the Talk" event at the Sioux Center Outdoor Track on Thursday, **October 1**. You are invited to walk anytime between 7-9 PM (come and go as you wish). Find a friend, neighbor, co-worker, or anyone to join you. We will have some conversation topics available but it's really just for fun and to fellowship in a socially distanced environment. It is FREE to attend! There will be an opportunity for free-will donations or to order a t-shirt if you desire. We'd love to see you there!

Offerings for September

27 Compassion/Tuition Assistance Fund

Offerings for October

4 General/Building Fund 18 Missions Fund
11 Christian Education Fund 25 World Renew

Last week's offering	General Fund	\$2,455.00	Building Fund	\$135.00
	Missions Fund	\$430.00	Christian Education Fund	\$1,815.67

Online Giving is Live!

To give online, click [here](#) to access the online giving page. You can also continue to give by mailing a check to church, paying via online bill pay at your bank, or by ACH Bank Transfer. All checks will be used as needed unless designated. Contact your deacon with any questions.

Helpful Links:

- The Bulletin Announcements and a link to Sunday's bulletin and liturgy are posted [here](#).
- The Community Activities (Blue) Sheet is posted [here](#).
- Sermon recordings are posted [here](#).
- Mission & Ministry News: A recent newsletter from Mike & Megan Ribbens in South Africa is [here](#).

Encouraging our Missionaries

Got a minute? Send one of our missionaries a note of encouragement by email!

Kelly & April Crull
crulls@caimail.net

Gianni & Georgina Gracia
giannigracia@yahoo.com

Sos & Kara Maletoungou
smaletoungou@crcna.org

Mike & Megan Ribbens
mribbens@gmail.com

Ben & Tricia Groenewold Van Dyk
tvandyk@crcnapartners.org

OUR CHURCH FAMILY



Happy Birthday this Week

Michael Ribbens, Paul Clousing, Aidan Vos, Levi Landman, Dave Goslinga, Judah Hawley, Ethan Brue, Ava Landman, Alleke Crull

THIS WEEK AT COVENANT

Sunday 27th	10:00 AM 5:00 PM	Morning Worship: Pastoral Groups 4,5,6 present (and via Facebook Live) Jake & Trena Van Wyk
Monday	7:00 PM	Elders Meeting
Sunday, 4th	10:00 AM 5:00 PM	Morning Worship: Pastoral Groups 1,2,3 present (and via Facebook Live) Jeff Taylor
