

SUNDAY, August 15, 2021

WORSHIP NOTES

Worship Services Online

Click [here](#) to go to Covenant's Facebook page (or copy this link and paste it into your browser: <https://www.facebook.com/Covenant-CRC-520064914738965/>). Then click on the "Videos" section and watch for the live video to show shortly before 10:00 AM. You can also watch a recorded version of the service after it is over.

Sunday Morning Worship

This Sunday, **August 15**, we plan to again worship outdoors at Heritage Village on the south and west side of the big barn. We plan to reserve some space for people to drive up and worship from their cars again – tell a parking attendant if you would like to do that. We invite the rest of you to bring blankets or chairs and spread out under the trees and on the lawn. We encourage you to bring your own picnic lunch – it's a great opportunity for some extended outdoor fellowship with your church family. The weather forecast looks beautiful, but we will email by 9:00 AM if we are unable to meet outside. If you are not able to join us in person, we plan to livestream the service, so you can find it on Facebook Live as and worship with us in your homes using the order of worship in the [bulletin](#) or the [mobile-friendly worship guide](#). Pastor Joel will continue to focus on the gospel reading from the [Lectionary](#).

Faith Formation Sunday Evening

We will gather at 6:00 PM for a service of evening prayer, also known as Vespers. These services use prayers and litanies from the *Book of Common Prayer* and give us space and time for thanksgiving and praise, silence and meditation on scripture. Services last between 45 minutes and an hour and will include a brief meditation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Faith Formation Sunday Evening Tree Walk

- **Who:** Everyone!
- **What:** A Heritage Village Tree Walk and picnic supper. We'll celebrate the biological and metaphorical importance of trees and marvel at the variety right here in Sioux Center.
- **When:** Sunday, **August 22** at 6:00 PM.
- **Where:** Meet at the Kuhl House front porch at Heritage Village.
- **What to bring:** A picnic supper if you'd like, chair or a blanket for the picnic, a clipboard for making leaf-rubbings if you have one, and dress accordingly.

Looking for Children and Worship Leaders

Covenant's youngest members are looking for someone who is willing to lead them in worship! This takes place during the morning worship services year-round and would require a 2 month commitment over the course of the year. If this sounds like something you'd like to do, please contact Cheri Horstman for more details (712-441-4562, mchorst@mtcnet.net).

Note from Classis Iakota:

Do you know of a student pursuing ordained ministry in the Christian Reformed Church? The Classical Ministry Leadership Team of Classis Iakota provides financial support for church members who are studying at approved institutions. Contact Rev. Adam Eisenga (adamteisenga@gmail.com) as soon as possible for an application form and funding criteria.

Resource Fair

In a time of need and don't know where to turn? Come to the Resource Fair, to be held on **August 18**, from 3-7 PM at the Orange City City Hall (125 Central Ave S). Zestos will be sharing school supplies, back packs, water bottles, t-shirts, and take-home food at the event. If you have further questions, please call Mavis (712-348-1541) or Kristin (712-737-4542). This event is sponsored by Sioux Rivers Regional MHDS & Trinity Orange City.

Justice For All Dinner

Justice For All Foundation invites you to an evening of entertainment, catered meal, and updates on how the Foundation has been benefitting JFA ministry efforts over the past year. It will be held at the Parkview Events Center in Rock Valley on **August 20**, at 6 PM. You can save your spot by calling JFA (712-476-2804). For more information, please contact Joel De Wit (joeldw@jfa-nwiowa.org).

NAMI Family-to-Family Education Program

The NAMI Iowa Family-to-Family Education Program for family members of persons with serious mental illness will be offered at Central Reformed Church this fall if there is enough interest. The course is free and will be taught by trained family member volunteer leaders, Barb Addink (712 567-4727), Shirley Matheis (722-4462 or nsmath@mtcnet.net), and Lynn Wielenga (722-1828). For more information, please call today!

