

SUNDAY, February 6, 2022

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, **February 6**, is the fifth Sunday after the Epiphany. Pastor Joel is continuing to preach from the lectionary texts from I Corinthians during this season and we will celebrate the Lord's Supper. Here is a link to the [mobile-friendly worship guide](#).

Faith Formation Sunday Evening

This Sunday, **February 6**, 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. This evening we have the privilege of welcoming the Unity Knightsounds who will share their gift of music with us.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday Evening Bible Study

The Sunday Evening Bible Study will be starting a new session using a Ray Vander Laan's study, "That the World May Know: Cultures in Conflict." There will be 5 meetings starting **February 6**. We meet on the first and third Sundays after the Vespers service. All are welcome to join us. Take a snack to share if you are able.

Neighborhood Cookie Jars

The SAM committee is putting together a fun cookie jar gift for the families in our church neighborhood, and we'd like some help on Saturday, **February 12** at 1:00 PM to go door-to-door to deliver the jars. If you're interested, reach out to Eric Rowe or other SAM members.

Christian Education Fund Auction

The Christian Education Fund Auction is coming on Friday, **February 25**! We are excited to see donations rolling in, and we encourage you to check out the donation list and see what you might be able to add! Click [here](#) or sign up at the welcome table in the fellowship hall!

Afghan Refugee Resettlement Program

Please check your mailboxes for an update on how our congregation is progressing on the Afghan Refugee Resettlement program at Covenant.

Report on Human Sexuality

There are a few copies of the Synod report on Human Sexuality on the table in the fellowship hall. Feel free to sign a copy out and return it when you're finished with it. You can also read it online [here](#).

Valet Parking

We are still in need of volunteers for the valet parking service for the main doors of Covenant, which assists those who may feel less comfortable with slippery sidewalks and frigid temperatures before and after the morning service. Volunteer groups should include adults to drive the cars and others to assist with exit and entry, as needed. Volunteers will arrive at least 20 minutes before church begins and remain available after the service until everyone who used the valet has left. If you would like to sign up, please contact Ross Feikema at Ross.feikema@gmail.com.

Kindergarten Round Up

Do you know a child who is ready to start school this fall? It is Round Up time at Sioux Center Christian School and we are excited to share how your child will learn and live God's Story at our school! A Parent Information meeting will be held Tuesday, **March 1** and Round Up is **March 24 & 25**. Please visit our website for more details www.siouxcenterchristian.com/admissions or contact the school office if you have any questions (722-0777 or email sccsoffice@siouxcenterchristian.com).

Dordt PLIA Tip Night

Dordt University students hope to raise funds for PLIA (Putting Love Into Action) through a community impact night at the Sioux Center Pizza Ranch from 5-8 PM on Monday, **February 7**. A portion of all proceeds that evening as well as any tips collected will help support PLIA mission trips to help ministries across the U.S.

Broadway and Desserts Returns!

Join Dordt's Concert Choir on Saturday, **February 12** at 7:30 PM for music from much loved Broadway musicals and dessert! Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$5 for students, kids 5 and under are free and childcare is available on site. Proceeds benefit the Concert Choir's tour to Austria and the Czech Republic in May of 2022. Tickets can be purchased until **February 8** from Dordt's music office (712-722-6222) or from a Concert Choir student – our very own Covenant family has many. We'd love to see you there!

Hiring Youth Coordinator:

The Minn-I-Kota Youth Network is an organization with the goal to empower, encourage, and equip youth ministry programs at churches in the Minnkota, Lakota, and Heartland Classes. After 12 years of faithful service Lee De Groot plans to step down from her role as Youth Coordinator at the end of 2022. The MIK Youth Board intends to hire a new coordinator by September 2022 to train alongside Lee. Those seeking to apply must have a love for Christ and be a member of good standing in a church that teaches Reformed doctrine. Applicants must have a heart for youth ministry and should be gifted in administrative skills as well as event planning. For a job description and information on how to apply, please contact dan@bethelsc.org (subject line "MIK Youth Coordinator Position") by **April 10**.

Ready, Set Register!

Summer Camp registration at Inspiration Hills is open! Check out inspirationhills.org/summer-camp to register, and to find information about how to register, camp options for 1st – 12th grade and family/grand camp, dates/pricing, scholarship opportunities, and more! Save money by registering before **April 15!**

At-Home Faith Formation Tip

The Practice of Engaging Scripture: Read Micah 6:8 and ponder or discuss the following questions. Do you typically think of doing justice as a “requirement” of the Christian life? What does that mean to you? What might it mean to “act justly and love mercy” in your various spheres of influence (home, work, school, church, community...)? (For more on faith practices from Faith Formation Ministries, visit crcna.org/FaithFormation/Practices.)

Praying for Our Local Congregations

This week, please pray for God’s blessing on the Faith CRC congregation and the ministry of Pastors Bob Pollema and Cliff Hoekstra.

Last week’s offering General Fund \$7,355.00 Christian Education Fund \$4,252.90

Giving at Covenant

There are a variety of ways to give at Covenant! To give online, click [here](#). You can also give by mailing a check to church, paying via online bill pay at your bank, or by ACH Bank Transfer. Just a reminder, it was decided at the December congregational meeting that all cash/checks will now be used as needed unless designated. (You can read more about it [here](#) on page 6.) 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](#).
- Mission & Ministry News: Read the latest newsletter from the Groenewold-Van Dyks is [here](#) and prayer requests from ReFrame Media are [here](#).

Sunday Servant Scheduling:

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

	TODAY	NEXT SUNDAY, February 13
Greeters		AM: Terry F, Mimi K, Linda V
Ushers		AM: Jo F, Rock MC, John Z
Coffee		Mary D, Rebecca DV, Marcy H, Stan VB
Subs		Donna B, Marge DB, Sarah H, Cal J, Dave S, Sharon V
Sound/Projection	Jeff P ♦ Dane H	Eric R ♦ Rebecca DV
Nursery Jan. POM: Janssens	AM: Nick & Jenni B, Chris & Rin G	AM: Dave & Emily K, Bob & Rebecca DS

Encouraging our Missionaries

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

Kelly & April Crull
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Gianni & Georgina Gracia
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Sos & Kara Maletoungou
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Mike & Megan Ribbens
mribbens@gmail.com

Ben & Tricia Groenewold Van Dyk
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OUR CHURCH FAMILY



Happy Birthday this Week

Wil Alberda, Jane Taylor, Robbin Eppinga, Les Sybesma

Membership Transfers

We’re excited to officially welcome these people to the Covenant family and we’re so glad they’re part of our church family!

- Verlyn & June DeWit have transferred their membership to Covenant from Faith CRC in Sioux Center.
- Marcy Holwerda has transferred her membership to Covenant from Palos Heights CRC in Palos Heights, IL.

Erik & Barb Hoekstra have transferred their membership to First CRC in Sioux Center.

Arturo, Luz, Grace, Daniel, and Damaris Gomez have transferred their membership to Pipestone CRC in Pipestone, MN.

THIS WEEK AT COVENANT

Sunday, 6th	9:00 AM 10:00 AM 6:00 PM 7:30 PM	Sunday School, Catechism, Covenant Sunday Morning Morning Worship Vespers (Service of Evening Prayer) with Unity Knightsounds Sunday Evening Bible Study
Monday	7:30 PM	Liturgy Committee Meeting
Wednesday	10:00 AM 7:00 PM 7:15 PM	Prayer Group GEMS Cadets (at Faith CRC)
Thursday	7:30 PM	The Colossian Forum
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