

SUNDAY, January 29, 2023

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

Today, **January 29**, is the fourth Sunday after the Epiphany and Pastor Joel will be preaching from the gospel lectionary readings in this season. In upcoming readings from Matthew, we will hear Jesus teaching us all to follow him as disciples participating in the kingdom of heaven that Jesus brings to earth. This morning we also rejoice with the Jewett family as we witness the baptism of Quinn and Isla, daughters of Matt and Juliet, and sisters of Nola and Sage. Here is a link to the [mobile-friendly worship guide](#).

Vespers

This 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. On this, the last Sunday of the month, we will celebrate Lord's Supper together during the evening service.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Covenant Sunday Morning

For our spring sessions of Covenant Sunday Morning, we will be focusing on the question - "How is God working in and through your ministry?" We will highlight both ministries happening within the Covenant congregation, but also those happening outside Covenant – even amongst other area churches. After dropping off your kids at Sunday School, feel free to join us at 9 AM in the Youth Room in the basement. Next Sunday, **February 4**, our speaker will be Tammy Lief, who serves on the staff at the Family Crisis Center, providing services to victims of domestic violence. Please join us in the Youth Room to hear how God is working in and through the Family Crisis Center.

February Courier

The February Courier is in your mailbox and can be found [here](#).

An Opportunity to Help

The snow and icy conditions this winter have caused difficulty for some of our older church members who sometimes end up walking in difficult winter conditions when they are unable to find parking close to the church. Can you help? If you are able, we'd love it if you could leave some of the parking spots in the church lot available for older members who would appreciate shorter walking distances. Thank you!

Dordt Music Events

- On Friday, **February 3**, at 7:30 PM in the B.J. Haan Auditorium, the Dordt University Music Faculty will present a recital featuring compositions by Dordt Alumnus Jonathan Posthuma ('12). Performers include Stephanie Kocher on flute, Carrie Groenewold on organ, Pam De Haan on alto saxophone, MaryLou Wielenga and Lois Vander Zee on piano, and Darren Van't Hul and Pam De Haan on voice, accompanied by Rob Hobgood. You can find out more about Jonathan Posthuma at <https://www.jonathanposthuma.com/>. His musical style seeks to combine lyricism, evocative imagery, and intense emotional contrasts, yet maintains clarity in form and function at their deepest levels.
- The Dordt University Concert Choir cordially invites you to come and enjoy an enchanting evening of Broadway tunes and sweet treats on Saturday, **February 11** at 7:30 PM in the Campus Center on Dordt's campus. You'll hear songs from a wide variety of well-loved musicals, and you'll be served delectable desserts by choir members while you listen! Tickets are \$12 for adults, \$5 for students. Kids 5 and under are free, and childcare is available on-site. Tickets must be purchased by Tuesday, **February 7** from the Music Department Office (722-6222 anna.bartlett@dordt.edu) or from a Concert Choir singer. Proceeds will go toward future Concert Choir tours or other choral events.

Praying for Our Local Congregations

This week, please pray for God's blessing on the Centerpoint congregation and the ministry of Pastors Chris Godfredsen and Jamie Dykstra.

Last week's offering

General Fund

\$905.81

Christian Education Fund

\$1810.00

Giving at Covenant

There are a variety of ways to give at Covenant! To give online, click [here](#). You can also give by leaving your offering in the boxes located at the entrances, mailing a check to church, paying via online bill pay at your bank, or by ACH Bank Transfer. Just a reminder, all cash/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](#).
- Mission & Ministry News: A newsletter from the Crulls is [here](#) and the Groenewold-Van Dyks' latest newsletter is [here](#). The Maletoungous' latest newsletter is [here](#) and a newsletter from the Ribbens is [here](#). ReFrame Ministry's January prayer requests 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 5
Greeters	AM: Dennis DJ, Kathy DW, Marty VP	AM: Erin E, Andy L, John Z
Ushers	AM: Rebecca DS, Deb H, Dennis VP	AM: Lee M, Jeff T, Linda V
Coffee	Wil A, Mary D, Mark MC, Courtney R, Marv W	Isabel C, Mary D, Cheri H, Sanneke K, Linda VH
Subs	Dan A, Steve C, Doug DB, Luke H, Lois VZ, Dani W	Jenni B, Mark C, Pat C, Jason H, Ron O, Channon V
Sound/Projection	Doug DB + Tom C	Dennis DJ + Marty VP
Nursery	AM: Marty & Kris VP, Ron & Carol O	AM: Ryan & Val Z, Dennis & Pam DJ

Encouraging our Missionaries

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

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OUR CHURCH FAMILY



Happy Birthday this Week

Don Ten Napel, Trena Van Wyk, Amie Smit, Jeff Taylor, Phil Postma, Deirdre Eggebeen, William Lappenga, Micah Moss

Happy Anniversary this Week

Sos & Kara Maletoungou

THIS WEEK AT COVENANT

Sunday, 29th	9:00 AM	Sunday School, Catechism, Covenant Sunday Morning
	10:00 AM	Morning Worship
	6:00 PM	Vespers (Service of Evening Prayer) with Communion
Wednesday	6:30 AM	Men's Bakery Study Group (at Casey's Bakery)
	10:00 AM	Prayer Group
	7:00 PM	Youth Group
Sunday, 5th	9:00 AM	Sunday School, Catechism, Covenant Sunday Morning
	10:00 AM	Morning Worship
	6:00 PM	Vespers (Service of Evening Prayer)
	7:15 PM	Sunday Evening Bible Study