

**SUNDAY, October 29, 2023**

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## **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, **October 29**, Pastor Joel will be preaching from the [lectionary](#), using the New Testament passage as we learn together about God's vision for his church. This morning, we also have the privilege of witnessing the baptism of Willem Todd Moss, son of Micah and Sarah, and little brother of Oliver. And we will celebrate the Lord's Supper together. Here is a link to the [mobile-friendly worship guide](#).

### **Joint Reformation Day Service**

Bethel CRC and Bridge of Hope CRC invite you to the annual combined Reformation Day service this Sunday, **October 29** at 6:00 PM at Bethel CRC. Pastor Sam Ashmore will be giving the message, "Take a Seat" based on Psalm 91. An offering will be received for One Body One Hope and a nursery will be provided. We look forward to a time of worship together.

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**



### **Pastoral Group Dinners**

This Sunday, **October 29**, the **Schelhaas/Mellema** pastoral group will enjoy fellowship and a meal together at 12:00 PM. Visitors and college students are welcome to join them! Next Sunday, **November 5**, the **DeWit/DeJong** pastoral group will gather for fellowship and a meal.

### **Covenant Courier**

The November Courier can be found in your mailbox or online [here](#).

### **Church Thanksgiving Dinner**

As part of our monthly 50th Anniversary celebration events, we will be gathering together as a church family for a Covenant Thanksgiving Dinner! Join us on Sunday, **November 19** for a feast! If you plan to attend, please sign up either on the back table or [online](#) by **October 29** so we can plan for food. Note: the church will provide the turkey, gravy, dressing, and drink. When we know how many are coming, those who plan to attend will be asked to sign up to bring a side dish or dessert.

### **Last Week to Buy Pizza BOGO Cards!**

This is the last week to get your Fruited Plain BOGO cards! The Covenant Christian Education Committee is once again partnering with the Fruited Plain to offer this amazing deal! Each pizza card costs \$30 and is good for 5 punches to buy one pizza and get one free. They make delightful gifts for anyone and are handy to have on hand for a family pizza night. College kids – remind your parents you need pizza to study well! Pizza cards can be purchased at the Fruited Plain through the end of October. \$10 from every sale goes towards meeting our Christian Education Fund commitments.

### **Hunger for a World Where Hunger Does Not Exist!**

No child should know the pain of hunger. No parent should have to watch their children grow weak due to malnutrition. Hunger for good; hunger for a world where hunger does not exist! Next week is World Hunger Sunday and through our gifts we can help World Renew equip communities with the knowledge and resources they need to change the story of hunger. Devotional booklets were put in mailboxes last week and feel free to grab a Peter Fish to take home. We will collect them next Sunday, **November 5**. To learn more, visit [www.worldrenew.net/worldhunger](http://www.worldrenew.net/worldhunger).

### **Another Baby Shower!**

We have another baby shower coming! This time we are going to celebrate the birth of Beckett Louise Vander Plaats! We invite you to bring gifts to the table in the fellowship hall. After the service on Sunday, **November 5**, Jacob, Emily, and Beckett will greet church members at the back of the sanctuary and the Vander Plaats will bring the gifts home so they can open them with their family. You are welcome to bring gift cards or money to the church office as well. Let's welcome this new baby to our Covenant family!

### **Smile & Say Cheese!**

The 50th Anniversary Committee is working on a 50th Anniversary book that will hopefully include photos of our current church members. So there will be photographers in the fellowship hall for the next weeks ready to take your family's photo! (And bonus – we will use these for the church directory as well!) So find a photographer and smile!

