

SUNDAY, August 11, 2024

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

Pastor Joel is back this week! He will be preaching from the [lectionary](#) Psalm and we will gather at the table for communion this morning. Here is a link to a [mobile-friendly worship guide](#).

Sunday Evening This Week

Our Sunday evening gatherings at 6:00 PM typically follow the pattern of Vespers, or Evening Prayer, in which we spend time in prayer, praise, silence, and meditation, using prayers and litanies from the *Book of Common Prayer*. This evening we will also share our joys and concerns.

Next Sunday Evening

Next Sunday evening, **August 18**, Bethel CRC will host a combined worship service with First, Faith, and Covenant CRC at 6:00 PM. (There will be no service at Covenant that evening.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hope Food Pantry Volunteers

Next Wednesday, **August 14**, is the third and final time, for now, that Covenant has agreed to staff the Hope Food Pantry this summer. As before, we will need five people for the 1:30-3:30 PM shift and four people for the 3:30-5:30 PM shift. Please text or email Sally Jongsma (712.441.7020 or jongsma@mtcnet.net) to offer your services for one of these shifts. Thank you so much. Your response has been wonderful and many of us have found it a joy and blessing to participate.

Benefit Concert

The Hope Heralds, a Reformed men's chorus from the West Michigan area, will present a Benefit Concert on Friday night, **August 23** at 7 PM. The concert will be held at Trinity CRC (2020 8th St SE, Rock Valley). A free will offering will be taken and will all be donated to flood relief for the NW Iowa area. The choir will be joined by a group of men from our area for some of the songs. Join us for an evening of praise to our heavenly Father.

Choose Health NW Iowa

Community Health Partners, along with all Sioux County healthcare systems, are partnering to offer an 8-session weight loss and diabetes prevention program, "Choose Health NW Iowa," with the goal of preventing diabetes in NW Iowa and promoting healthy and informed lifestyle choices. Classes will be on Thursdays from 5:15-6:30 PM at the Promise CHC Mission Conference Room. Cost is \$40 for individuals or \$60/pair if you sign up with a partner. To register, contact CHP (712-737-2971 or chp@siouxcountychnp.org). Please register by **September 12**.

Praying for Our Local Congregations

This week, please pray for God's blessing on the Maria Magdalena congregation and the ministry of Pastors Jason Lief and Martha Draayer.

Last week's offering

General Fund: \$7,884.00

Christian Education Fund: \$1,668.80

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: The Groenewold-Van Dyks' latest newsletter is [here](#). The Maletoungous' latest newsletter is [here](#) and a newsletter from the Ribbens is [here](#). An update from Pastor Gianni Gracia in Miami is [here](#). ReFrame Ministry's August 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, August 18
Greeters	AM: Faby A, Tom C, Lila S	
Ushers	AM: Duane B, Pat C, Laurey Z	
Coffee	Ruth Cla, Isabel C, Rachel L, Dave S, Sharon V	
Subs	Jenni B, Mark H, Deb H, Rock MC, Len R, Marcia W	
Valet Parking	Kurt V	
Sound/Projection	Doug DB ♦ John S	Andy L ♦ Marty VP
Nursery	AM: Dave & Jeri S, Kurt & Sharon V	AM: Kyle & Andrea D, Steve & Pat C

Encouraging our Missionaries

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

Gianni & Georgina Gracia
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Sos & Kara Maletoungou
smaletoungou@acsi.org

Mike & Megan Ribbens
mribbens@gmail.com

Ben & Tricia Groenewold Van Dyk
tvandyk@crnapartners.org

OUR CHURCH FAMILY



Happy Birthday this Week

Dani Wyenberg, Kathleen Van Tol, Deb Hibma, Blake Stiemsma

Happy Anniversary this Week

Robbin & Sara Eppinga, Jason & Amanda Vande Brake, Benjamin & Tricia Groenewold-Van Dyk, Ryan & Amie Smit, Kyle & Andrea Dieleman, John & Laurey Zwart, Jake & Trena Van Wyk

THIS WEEK AT COVENANT

Sunday, 11th	10:00 AM 6:00 PM	Morning Worship Vespers
Monday	7:00 PM	Elders Meeting
Wednesday	10:00 AM	Prayer Group
Sunday, 18th	10:00 AM 6:00 PM	Morning Worship Joint CRC Worship Service (at Bethel CRC)