

**SUNDAY, October 27, 2024**

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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**

Welcome to worship this Sunday! Pastor Joel is continuing to preach through the book of James, ending today with the final chapter and its call to prayer. Here is a link to a [mobile-friendly worship guide](#).

### **Sunday Evening Vespers**

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 celebrate the Lord's Supper together.

### **Reformation Day Service**

A combined Reformation Day Service hosted by Faith CRC and Lebanon CRC will be held at Faith CRC on Sunday, **November 3** at 5:00 PM. Members of both host churches will participate, and the message will be delivered by Pastor Cal Hoogendoorn, from Sioux Falls. The offering has been designated for Sioux Center ATLAS. A nursery will be provided and a time of fellowship and refreshments will follow the service.

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**



### **Pastoral Group Dinners**

Today the **Christians/Van Schouwen** 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 3**, the **DeWit/DeJong** pastoral group will gather.

### **November Courier**

The November Courier is in your mailbox and on our [website](#).

### **Outdoor Clean-Up**

Join us for an outdoor clean-up day on Saturday, **November 2** at 9:00 AM! Calling all hands with rakes, brooms, pickup trucks and other stuff for cleaning up around the church and the parsonage. Coffee and goodies will be provided for helpers!

### **Guess Who's Coming to Dinner?**

All adults are invited to dinner on Saturday, **November 16!** Here's the thing – you don't know where you'll be dining or who you'll be dining with! But there will be food and good fellowship, so we hope you join us! See the [November Courier](#) for more information and sign up at the table in the fellowship hall or [online](#) to attend. Questions? Contact Beth Vanden Berg.

### **Sunday Evening Bible Study**

The Sunday evening Bible study will begin on Sunday, **November 17** following the Vespers service. We will be viewing the DVD by Ray Vander Laan, "Cultures in Conflict". We plan to meet the first and third Sunday each month for 5 sessions. Everyone is welcome to join us in the sanctuary on the large screen with subtitles. Hopefully this is better for viewing and hearing. If you join us, please bring a snack to share.

### **Cadet Counselors Needed**

The Cadets are looking for 1-2 more counselors to help through the rest of the year. If you would like volunteer or have questions, please contact Jeff De Boer ([fcbcadets@gmail.com](mailto:fcbcadets@gmail.com) or 712.441.6249).

### **NAMI Support Group**

The NAMI Support Group will meet in the Fireside Room of Central Reformed Church in Sioux Center from 7 to 9 PM on Tuesday, **November 5**. Judicial Mental Health Advocate Abby Wallin will discuss "Mental Health Commitments & the Rights of Committed Individuals," concerning individuals with mental illness who do not voluntarily seek treatment. For information, call Shirley Matheis (712.722.4462).

### **Praying for Our Local Congregations**

This week, please pray for God's blessing on the Central Reformed congregation and the ministry of Pastor Jesse Henkle.

### **Last week's offering**

General Fund: \$5,020.00

Christian Education Fund: \$615.00

## 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: 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 October 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, November 3
Greeters	AM: Natalie B, Tricia K, John Z	AM: Lee R, Jeff T, Ryan Z
Ushers	AM: Marge DB, Dennis DJ, Daryl H	AM: Lisa C, Rin G, Jason VB
Coffee	Luke H, Kristi H, Jeri S, Linda V, Kurt V	Ruth Clo, Steve C, Terry F, Carol O, Erika VS
Subs	Jo A, Jan B, Verlyn DW, Andy L, Del VZ, Joni V	Duane B, Rachel L, Gidge M, Ron O, Dave S, Laurey Z
Valet Parking	Dennis VP	Pam A
Sound/Projection	Andy L + Terry F	Dennis DJ + Ryan Z
Nursery	AM: Luke & Sarah H, Jeff & Sara P	AM: Jason & Dani W, Chris & Rin G

## 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  
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Mike & Megan Ribbens  
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Ben & Tricia Groenewold Van Dyk  
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## OUR CHURCH FAMILY



### Happy Birthday this Week

*Julia Kramer, Nick Breems, Jonathan Van Tol, Emilyn Smit, Jan Bajema, Clark Stiemsma*

### Happy Anniversary this Week

*Dave & Emily Kramer*

## Thank You!

We would like to thank the Covenant family for the recognition we were given last Sunday for our service as janitors. Thanks so much for the kind words, gift card, beautiful quilt, and thank you notes. We did enjoy talking to many people after the service and the cupcakes! God's blessings to all of you.

-Dale and June Brands

## THIS WEEK AT COVENANT

<b>Sunday, 27<sup>th</sup></b>	9:00 AM	Covenant Sunday Morning (adults) ( <i>The Ballot and the Bible</i> – chapter 5)
	9:00 AM	Sunday School & Catechism (grades 1-12)
	10:00 AM	Morning Worship
	12:00 PM	Christians/Van Schouwen Pastoral Group Dinner
	6:00 PM	Vespers
<b>Monday</b>	7:00 PM	Full Council Meeting
<b>Wednesday</b>	6:30 AM	Men's Bakery Study Group (at Casey's Bakery)
	10:00 AM	Prayer Group
	7:00 PM	Youth Group
<b>Saturday</b>	9:00 AM	Outdoor Church Clean-up Day
<b>Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	9:00 AM	Covenant Sunday Morning (adults) ( <i>The Ballot and the Bible</i> – chapter 6)
	9:00 AM	Sunday School & Catechism (grades 1-12)
	10:00 AM	Morning Worship
	12:00 PM	DeWit/DeJong Pastoral Group Dinner
	5:00 PM	Joint Reformation Day Service (at Faith CRC)