

SUNDAY, January 26, 2025

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! We continue in the season of Epiphany as we gather to worship the Light who has come to the world. Pastor Joel will be preaching from the book of Romans in the coming weeks. We will not celebrate the Lord's Supper this morning, but will gather around the table this evening instead. Here is a link to a [mobile-friendly worship guide](#).

Sunday Evening

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 celebrate the Lord's Supper together.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The January Series

We have one week of lectures to go! From **January 20-31**, Covenant CRC will livestream Calvin University's lecture and cultural arts series each weekday from 11:30 AM to 12:30 PM. The 2025 January Series lineup features a variety of speakers including Olympians, explorers, filmmakers, diplomats, and comedians who will explore a variety of topics and ideas. For a full list of speakers and topics, visit <https://calvin.edu/january-series/>. We hope you join us this week!

Council Note

Classis Iakota Church Visitors Rev. Bob Drenten and Elder Rick De Boom from Lebanon CRC will meet with our council on Monday, **January 27** for their annual visit.

Note from the Deacons:

The deacons have noticed a few bugs in the rollout of an update to their contributions management program. Year-end 2024 giving receipts were emailed on **January 13**, but if you did not get yours, please inform one of the deacons.

February Courier

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

Survey

We emailed some information to you about a survey this week. Pastor Joel has dedicated time in the past year to understand the current preaching environment and how it relates to our society's level of political division. We encourage you to take this 10-minute online survey to share your thoughts and experiences regarding your worship experience at Covenant. No identifying information will be collected, and your response is anonymous. Your response is important and will be used to make improvements for the future. Use this link to take the survey: www.bit.ly/CPI-C2091

Praying for Our Local Congregations

This week, please pray for God's blessing on the Netherlands Reformed congregation.

Last week's offering General Fund: \$12,890.00 Christian Education Fund: \$2,650.00 Compassion Fund: \$15.00

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 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 2
Greeters	AM: Jeremy H, Amanda VB, Trena VW	AM: Marge DB, Daryl H, Jeri S
Ushers	AM: Wil A, Dennis VP, Marty VP	AM: Jo A, Jan B, Kris VP
Coffee	Rebecca DS, Sarah H, Marcy H, Sally J, Jake VW	Natalie B, Paul C, Dennis DJ, Jason H, Tricia K
Subs	Marge DB, Sharon D, Joan MC, Stan VB, Linda V, John Z	Donna B, Luke H, Kristi H, Del VZ, Kurt V, Dani W
Valet Parking	Micah M	?
Sound/Projection	Doug DB ♦ Tom C	Doug DB/Jeff ♦ Marty VP
Nursery	AM: Luke & Sarah H, Marcy H	AM: Ryan & Val Z, Laremy & Becca DV

Encouraging our Missionaries

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

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Sos & Kara Maletougou
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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

Jonathan Breems, Don Ten Napel, Trena Van Wyk, Amie Smit, Jeff Taylor, Phil Postma

Happy Anniversary this Week

Sos & Kara Maletougou

THIS WEEK AT COVENANT

Sunday, 26th	9:00 AM	Sunday School & Catechism (Grades 1-12)
	9:00 AM	Covenant Sunday Morning (Adults)
	10:00 AM	Morning Worship
	6:00 PM	Vespers with Communion
Monday	11:30 AM	The January Series: Peter Sagal
	7:00 PM	Full Council Meeting
Tuesday	11:30 AM	The January Series: Alastair Humphreys
Wednesday	10:00 AM	Prayer Group
	11:30 AM	The January Series: Reshma Saujani
	7:00 PM	Cadets & GEMS (at Faith CRC)
	7:00 PM	Youth Group
Thursday	9:00 AM	Women's Book Study
	11:30 AM	The January Series: Michaela O'Donnell
Friday	11:30 AM	The January Series: Hunter Woodhall
Saturday	8:30 AM	Men's Breakfast Social
Sunday, 2nd	9:00 AM	Sunday School & Catechism (Grades 1-12)
	9:00 AM	Covenant Sunday Morning (Adults)
	10:00 AM	Morning Worship
	6:00 PM	Vespers
	7:15 PM	Sunday Evening Bible Study