SUNDAY, September 20, 2026

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/). Find "Live" on the "More" dropdown menu 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! This morning we are grateful for Dr. Jason Lief who will bring us the Word, and we will encounter Christ as we gather at the Lord's Table. Here is a link to a mobile-friendly worship guide.

Sunday Evening Gathering
All are welcome to join us in watching a past Dordt chapel service this Sunday, **September 20,** at 6:00 PM. We will meet downstairs in the old fellowship hall.

Sunday Evening Next Week
Next Sunday, **September 27**, we will gather for a service of worship and reflection at 6:00 PM in which we will read the opening sections—Creation, Fall, Redemption—from "Our World Belongs to God." This service which will include songs and readings will be the first of three services where we will read through OWBTG. And we hope you will also consider staying after the service to share some food and fellowship – if you're able, bring a snack to share!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Courier Reminder
The October Courier is coming out next week! If you have anything to include, send it to the church office (covenant@mtcnet.net) by Monday, **September 21**.

GEMS Kick-Off
Northstar GEMS will have their kickoff on Wednesday, **September 23** from 6:00–8:00 PM at Sandy Hollow. Please note the different meeting time and location! Supper will be provided. Please dress appropriately for outdoor activities and bring a roasting stick labeled with your name.



Pastoral Group Dinners
Next Sunday, **September 27**, our fall Pastoral Group dinners will kick off with the **Hummel/Dieleman** pastoral group enjoying fellowship and a meal together at 12:00 PM. Visitors and college students are welcome to join them! We'll take a break the next two Sundays, and on **October 18**, the **Hickey/Horstman** pastoral group will meet.

F.O.S.S.I.L. Gathering
If you are 60+ years of age, you are invited to come to the Fellowship Hall for food and fellowship at 5:30 PM on Monday, **September 28**. Please either sign up on the back table or email Pat (spcrull@mtcnet.net) if you plan to come.

Would you like to be a part of a Small Group?
The Small Group Ministry at Covenant seeks to deepen community within intergenerational groups, including families, couples, and singles. Groups typically meet monthly to share a meal, study Scripture, pray, and/or engage in service. Talk with Bob & Rebecca De Smith if you would like more information or if you would like to join. Bob's phone is 712-441-7433; email him at bob.desmith@dordt.edu.

Volunteers Needed:
Are you interested in being a leader for Children and Worship? If you enjoy young children and are interested in helping them worship in age-appropriate ways during our worship services, we'd love to hear from you! Leaders teach for a month at a time, and the curriculum is provided and easy to use. Contact Cheri Horstman (712-441-4562 or mchorst@mtcnet.net) with questions or if you're interested in serving in this way.

Tip Night for ATLAS
We invite to get dinner at Pizza Ranch on Monday, **September 21** for a Tip Night (Community Impact Fundraising Event) supporting ATLAS of Sioux Center.

Justice For All Annual Meeting & Live Auction
You are invited to the upcoming JFA Annual Meeting & Live Auction on Thursday, **October 8** at Faith Reformed Church in Rock Valley. The meeting is at 5:00 PM, a free meal will be served at 5:30, and the live auction will begin at 6:45. Join us as we gather to share about the work of JFA, enjoy a meal together, and raise support through our live auction.

Praying for Our Local Congregations
This week, please pray for God's blessing on the Middleburg Free Grace Reformed congregation and the ministry of Pastor Cody Raak.

Last week's offering General Fund: $1,694.00 Christian Education Fund: $598.00

Giving at Covenant
There are a variety of ways to give at Covenant! To give online, use the QR code or go to https://secure.myvanco.com/YPKM/home. 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. All cash/checks will be used as needed unless designated. Contact your deacon with 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 September 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, September 27
Greeters	**AM:** Sherri TN, Jason VB, Laurey Z	
Ushers	**AM:** Rachel L, Lee M, Marcia W	
Coffee	Wil A, Lisa C, Claire H, Len R, Dave S, Beth VB	
Subs	Sharon D, Sarah H, Jason H, Cheri H, Linda V, Dani W	
Valet	Jeff/Shirley T	
Sound/Projection	Nick B ✦ John S	Jeff P ✦ James R
Nursery **Sept. Monitor:** Merrill M	**AM:** Jeremy & Kristi H, Kurt & Sharon V	**AM:** Michael & Adi VP, Kyle & Andrea D

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

Gianni & Georgina Gracia giannigracia@yahoo.com	Sos & Kara Maletoungou smaletoungou@acsi.org	Mike & Megan Ribbens mribbens@gmail.com	Ben & Tricia Groenewold Van Dyk tvandyk@crcnapartners.org

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Happy Birthday this Week
Pam Adams, Oliver Moss, Lee Plasier, Rock McCarthy, Rose Rylaarsdam, John Stevenson, Viola Stiemsma, Amanda Vande Brake, Rachel Hibma, Becky Stevenson

Membership transfers
Connor & Hannah Van Hulzen have transferred their membership to Covenant from Calvary CRC in Edina MN. Welcome to the Covenant family!

THIS WEEK AT COVENANT

Sunday, 20th	9:00 AM	Sunday School & Catechism (grades 1-12), Covenant Sunday Morning (adults)
	10:00 AM	Morning Worship
	6:00 PM	Sunday Evening Gathering
Wednesday	6:00 PM	GEMS Kick-Off (at Sandy Hollow)
	7:00 PM	Cadets (at Faith CRC)
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