SUNDAY, October 11, 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. Kyle Dieleman 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.

WE Service
All are invited to stay after our morning service today, **October 11** for a meal in the fellowship hall and an intergenerational, informal time of learning and worship around the tables. Our theme for this service will be Hebrews 11: The Family of Faith.

October 18 Sunday Evening Gathering
On Sunday, **October 18** at 6:00 PM, we will gather for worship at the Crown Pointe Community Room. We plan to worship with our Covenant members there and other guests from independent and assisted living, singing and praying together in a place that is accessible to those friends of ours, and in this way, blessing one another.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday School Schedule
There are no Sunday School and Catechism classes today, **October 11** because of the WE service. Covenant Sunday Morning will still plan to meet at 9 AM today. All classes will resume on Sunday, **October 18**.



Pastoral Group Dinners
After a few weeks off, the next Pastoral Group Dinner will be next Sunday, **October 18**, with the **Hickey/Horstman** pastoral group meeting at 12:00 PM for food and fellowship. Visitors and college students are welcome to join them!

Updating the Church Directory
It's time to update the church directory again! Please check the printout on the welcome table today and make any corrections or additions, or mark it as "okay" if all is correct. If you are not currently in the directory but would like to be listed, leave your name and email on the back page or email the church office and we'll add you!

Christmas Cantata Singing Opportunity
All singers are invited to be part of a Siouxland Christmas Choir Cantata Service on Sunday **December 13**, featuring a 40-minute choral cantata, "Journey of Promises" by Joseph Martin, accompanied by a full orchestra with arrangements of familiar Christmas carols and newly composed songs. Rehearsals will be at Covenant on Wednesdays from 7:00-8:30 PM, beginning on **October 28**. You can find more information about the rehearsal schedule in the September Courier. Interested singers can sign up to participate using this Google form link by **October 14**.

Dordt Music Events
You are invited to attend these events at the BJ Haan Auditorium. The concerts and PDF programs will also be available on livestream at https://www.dordt.edu/live-events.

- The Dordt University music department will present a concert on Friday, **October 16** at 3:10 PM featuring the 4th Avenue Singers directed by Dr. Ryan Smit, 4th Avenue Band directed by Kevin Linder, and the Campus Community Band directed by Matthew Poto. Come for an afternoon of big band standards, fresh jazz perspectives, featured solos, and stirring wind ensemble literature.
- The first evening concert of the Dordt University Fall Music Festival will begin at 7:00 PM on Friday, **October 16** and will feature four of the Dordt choral ensembles: Bella Voce, Canons of Dordt, Chorale, and Concert Choir. The repertoire is drawn from a wide range of styles from the Renaissance to 21st century works and will explore themes of creation, fall, redemption, and restoration. Bella Voce is conducted by Dr. Carrie Groenewold, Canons of Dordt by Tim Van Voorst, and Chorale and Concert Choir by Dr. Ryan Smit.
- The second evening concert of the Fall Music Festival will begin at 8:30 PM on Friday **October 16** and will feature the Chamber Orchestra (string orchestra), Symphonic Band (brass and percussion ensemble), and Wind Symphony. Repertoire be drawn from traditional and contemporary string, brass, and wind band literature. Chamber Orchestra is conducted by Mrs. Amie Smit, Symphonic Band and Wind Symphony by Dr. Onsby Rose.

- You are invited to a Hymn Festival presented by Dordt University music students: "Singing the Solas: A Reformation Hymn Festival" on Saturday, **October 17** at 11:00 AM, with a prelude beginning at 10:30. The Hymn festival will include a brass quintet, organ, a choral octet, cello, flute, and piano. Come and worship with timeless hymns of our faith!

Women's Event
Rooted Women: Deepening Our Roots in His Faithfulness is a women's event for all ages taking place on Saturday, **October 24** from 9:30 AM to 1:30 PM at New Life Church in Sioux Center. The keynote speaker will be Emily Copeland and it will be a morning of fellowship, worship, and women growing together in the Lord. Register at nlrchurch.org.

Praying for Our Local Congregations
This week, please pray for God's blessing on the Good Shepherd congregation and the ministry of Pastor Travis Else.

Last week's offering General Fund: $12,450.00 Christian Education Fund: $4,352.62 Building Fund: $500.00

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, October 11
Greeters	**AM:** Pat C, Trena VW, John Z	
Ushers	**AM:** Duane B, Rebecca DS, Matt J	
Coffee	Sally J, Merrill MC, Stan VB, Sharon V, Jason W	
Subs	Jenni B, Marcy H, Gidge M, Les S, Adi VP, Lois VZ	
Valet	Pam A	
Sound/Projection	Will B ✦ Tom C	Dennis DJ ✦ Jason W
Nursery **Oct. Monitor:** Rose P	**AM:** Jeff & Sara P, Luke & Sarah H	**AM:** Bob & Rebecca DS, Tom & Ruth C

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
Betty Jewett, Mark Horstman

THIS WEEK AT COVENANT

Sunday, 11th	9:00 AM	Covenant Sunday Morning (adults)
	10:00 AM	Morning Worship
	11:30 AM	Lunch & WE Service
Monday	7:00 PM	Elders/Deacons Meeting
Wednesday	6:30 AM	Men's Bakery Study Group (at Casey's Bakery)
Sunday, 18th	9:00 AM	Sunday School & Catechism (grades 1-12), Covenant Sunday Morning (adults)
	10:00 AM	Morning Worship
	12:00 PM	Hickey/Horstman Pastoral Group Dinner
	6:00 AM	Evening Worship Gathering at Crown Pointe