SUNDAY, November 8, 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. Gayle Doornbos 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.

Our World Belongs to God Worship Gathering
This Sunday, **November 8**, at 6:00 PM we will gather again for a worship service focusing on Our World Belongs to God, our contemporary testimony. We will read through the sections "Christ," "The Spirit" and "Revelation" and sing songs relating to each. And, for a special treat, we will see some of the text and imagery come to life as Jake Van Wyk draws and paints during our reading. We invite you to stay afterwards for a time of fellowship and consider bringing a snack to share.

Sunday Evening Gathering
All are welcome to join us in watching a past Dordt chapel service next Sunday, **November 15**, at 6:00 PM. We will meet downstairs in the old fellowship hall.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Pastoral Group Dinners
This Sunday, **November 8**, the **Friend/Vander Plaats** 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 15**, the **DeBoer/Dykstra** pastoral group will gather.

Outdoor Work Day
Join us on Saturday, **November 14**, at 9:00 AM for our outdoor church cleanup day! We'll be working together to clean up and beautify our church grounds. Please bring rakes, leaf blowers, tarps, and work gloves if you have them available. We could also use a few trucks to help haul away leaves. Everyone is welcome, and any help you can give is greatly appreciated!

Thanksgiving Food Collection for Mid-Sioux
Hunger and food insecurity is both a global and local concern. As the family of God, we are called to be a part of the solution, and one way we can do this is by helping stock Mid-Sioux Opportunity's food pantry which serves to alleviate immediate nutritional needs for local families. Please consider bringing an offering of nonperishable food items to church by **November 15** and leave them on or under the table by the church office.

Fill Your Peter Fish!
Don't forget to fill your Peter Fish so we can together help feed the hungry through our gifts! We encourage you to collect money in your fish or in a jar and bring it back for a noisy offering on Thanksgiving Day. There are World Hunger family devotionals on the table by the office as well as World Renew Gift Catalogs. Feel free to pick them up!

Note from the Council
Covenant's Council is pleased to let you know that we have engaged Dr. Jason Lief, a member of our congregation and a regular preacher for us, to make some pastoral visits during our vacancy. Jason has an advanced degree in Pastoral Care, a lot of practical experience, and a heart for conversation. We have hired him to make between 10 and 15 visits each month, and he will report to the elders. If you have a pastoral need, or just want to talk, feel free to contact Jason (712-441-2643 or jsonlief@gmail.com) or, of course, your elder. As a community, we seek to uphold each other, so we invite you to offer care to each other and also to reach out openly for conversation and spiritual counsel.

Northwest Iowa Symphony Orchestra Concert
The Northwest Iowa Symphony Orchestra (NISO) invites the community to its fall concert, "Passion, Poetry, and Power," on Tuesday, **November 10**, at 7:30 PM in the BJ Haan Auditorium at Dordt University. The concert will feature a dynamic program of orchestral works including Florence Price's *Violin Concerto No. 2*, featuring guest soloist and Dordt University alumna Erika Hoogeveen on violin. Adult general admission tickets are $25, and student admission is free. For tickets and additional information, visit www.dordt.edu/niso.

SCCS Announcements:
- Sioux Center Christian School will be hosting a Veterans Day Assembly on Wednesday, **November 11** at 1:35 PM in the Blazer Center. All veterans and their family members are invited to join us as we honor and express gratitude for your service! Please feel free to spread the word to any local veterans. We look forward to recognizing and celebrating you!

- The board is seeking to fill three open Trustee positions for the 27-28 school year. Any member of the SCCS Society can submit nominations. Trustees must meet all the requirements in order to serve in this role. You are encouraged to submit nominations by **November 28**. Go to siouxcenterchristian.com > Connect With Us > SCCS News to submit nominations and learn more about the requirements and qualifications.

Praying for Our Local Congregations
This week, please pray for God's blessing on the New Life Reformed congregation and the ministry of Pastors Bobby Van Otterloo and Dan Kruse.

Last week's offering General Fund: $4,741.00 Christian Education Fund: $1,245.85

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 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 15
Greeters	**AM:** Mary D, Jill F, Jeri S	
Ushers	**AM:** Dennis DJ, Shaun S, Jeff T	
Coffee	Jo A, Alejandro C, Jake VW, Kris VP, Erika VS	
Subs	Marge DB, Andy L, Carol O, Marty VP, June DW, Del VZ	
Valet	Kurt V	
Sound/Projection	Jeff P ✦ Tom C	Doug DB ✦ Ryan Z
Nursery **Nov. Monitor:** Joni V	**AM:** Nick & Jenni B, Micah & Jayden D	**AM:** Steve & Pat C, Marty & Kris VP

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
Rebecca DeSmith, Kristi Hummel, Stephen Schreurs, Verlyn DeWit, Felix Postma, Sophie Visscher, Mark Christians, Nancy Vanden Bosch

THIS WEEK AT COVENANT

Sunday, 8th	9:00 AM	Sunday School & Catechism (grades 1-12)
	10:00 AM	Morning Worship
	12:00 PM	Friend/Vander Plaats Pastoral Group Dinner
	6:00 AM	Our World Belongs to God (Part 2) Worship Gathering
Monday	7:00 PM	Elders/Deacons Meeting
Wednesday	6:30 AM	Men's Bakery Study Group (at Casey's Bakery)
	7:00 PM	Christmas Cantata Rehearsal
	8:30 PM	Search Committee Meeting
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