

## Sunday, October 27, 2024

*The church is always being called to reform, to become more loving, to resemble more closely the kingdom of God. Welcome to worship this Reformation Sunday!*

### Today at First

**This morning**, Pastor Brian Dunn leads us in worship. C. G. #5 hosts coffee time.

**This evening**, we will join area CRC's in a Special Reformation Day Service at **6:00 at Sanborn CRC**. This will serve as our evening service.

**Next week**, Pastor Brian Dunn will lead our services. C.G. #1 hosts coffee time.

### Our Church Family

**John & Betty Kreykes** were in a car accident. **Betty** was taken to the Sioux Center Hospital with a broken collarbone, and a broken rib. Keep them in your prayers.

Congratulations to **Jason & Staci Hengeveld** on the birth of their daughter, **Peyton Leigh** on Sat., Oct. 19. May the Lord bless this new addition to their family.

**Nursery Today** Meghan G., Helen V.D., Aftyn H. **11-3** Ethan/Avery V.H., Hailey VM

**Valet Parking Today** Drake Granstra **Nov. 3** Brennan Granstra

**Sound Today** Heynen/Jacob/Josh **Nov. 3** Cory/Jackson/Ben

**Security Today** Lance Hoekstra **Nov. 3** Lyle Bolkema

**Praise Team 10-27** Missy, Laura, Arlo, Dave, Lacey **11-3**

**Cookies 11-3** Sharon H., Julie H., Connie H. **11-10** Jen H., Michelle H., Mariah J.

**November Ushers:** Jevon Klyn, Ty Van Essen, Darin Granstra, Drake Granstra

**Offerings only for:** Gen. Fund, Christian Ed., Above Quota Missions & Classical Min. Shares. Put in offering box, Treasurer's box, or mail to church (901 9<sup>th</sup> Street).

### **First CRC Announcements:**

- **Operation Christmas Child** – we just received a new shipment of boxes and supplies, please feel free to take one (or more) of the boxes and other supplies available on the table in the narthex. Your shoebox gift may be the only gift the child receives. Deadline for returning filled boxes – Sun., Nov. 17. Thanks!

### Activities This Week

**Sun.** 10:45 AM **Sunday School and Catechism Classes** meet  
11:00 AM **Choir practice**  
12:00 Noon **Church Potluck** in fellowship hall for Pastor Appreciation  
**6:00 PM Special Reformation Day Service at Sanborn CRC**

### **First CRC Announcements Continued...**

- **Sunday, Nov. 10 following the Evening Service** – We will be serving walking tacos to the congregation. Make plans to stay for food, fellowship and fun.
- **Advance Notice – The Christmas Program** will be held on Sun., Dec. 8, 5 p.m. There will be coffee/desserts served following the program in the fellowship hall. Make plans to attend. Practices for the program will begin in November.

### **Sheldon Christian School Announcements:**

- **Veterans Day Program** – Mon., Nov. 11, 9 am at gym. All are invited to attend, we would love to have any veterans attend to honor their service to our country.
- **NICSTO** – Please consider a contribution to Sheldon Christian through NICSTO helping us reach our \$71,000 goal for tuition assistance. NICSTO Contributions are due by Dec. 1, 2024. Contributions are vital to our families to assure affordability to many of our families through this tuition assistance program. If you have any questions, please call Mr. Marlin Schoonhoven at SCS.

**Explore Western** – Tues., Nov. 19, 7 p.m. Families w/students are invited to attend our fall showcase. Our goal is to share an authentic, relational, & enjoyable experience for prospective families as they learn about “Who We Are” & “What We Do” at Western Christian. If you plan to attend, have ?’s, or would rather schedule an individual tour, contact Brad Vis (605) 359-5704 [brad.vis@westernchristianhs.com](mailto:brad.vis@westernchristianhs.com).

### **Community Announcements:**

- **Coats for Kids** – bring good, used coats to Love INC till Nov. 14. Coats given away Nov. 14 at Living Water Church. Sponsored by Sheldon Min. Assoc.
- **Hospers CRC Soup & Pie Supper** – Tues., Nov. 5, 5-7 p.m. Serving soup, pie, sandwiches, carry out available. Freewill offering received for Christian Ed.
- **Election Day Soup & Pie Supper** – Tue., Nov. 5, 4:30-6:30 pm at Faith Community Church in Sheldon.

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Morning Worship – Pastor Brian Dunn

9:30 AM

## Opening Service

Call to Worship – Psalm 126 - Responsive

Opening Prayer

\*Opening Hymn: “Open the Eyes of My Heart”

\*God’s Greeting/Mutual Greeting

\*Song of Praise: “Christ Our Hope In Life and Death”

## Service of Reconciliation

God’s Will for Life – Exodus 20:1-17

Silent Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon – 1 John 1:5-9

Children’s Message

## Service of the Word

Song of Preparation: “How Deep the Father’s Love for Us”

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading: **Genesis 2:18-25**

Sermon Title: “The First Wedding”

Prayer for Application

\*Song of Praise: “Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me”

## Service of Dedication

Congregational Prayer

Offering

\*Song of Dedication: “Rejoice, the Lord Is King” vs. 1-3

\*Benediction

\*Doxology: “Rejoice, the Lord Is King” vs. 4

\*Please stand, if able.

## Community Announcements Continued...

- **Sioux County Oratorio Chorus** is kicking off a new season next month, and all are welcome to come sing. This season features a special guest conductor and a first for the chorus as we present Brahms *Requiem*. Due to a conflict with NISO our first rehearsal will begin Wed., Nov. 6, 7:30 p.m. in DeWitt Music Hall on Northwestern’s campus with normal Tues. rehearsals resuming the following weeks. Please contact Mike Ochsner [mkchsnr@gmail.com](mailto:mkchsnr@gmail.com) with any questions.
- **The Team with the deepest bench often wins.** True in sports. True in life. Coach Chris Yaw will share how he needed a Deep Bench when his family suddenly included a daughter w/leukemia. Come hear Chris speak from his heart at the Area Men’s Event at MOC-FV High School Gym Thur., Nov. 7, 7 p.m., when Chris will share about his Bench and ask us, “How Deep Is Your Bench?”  
**Sheldon Mobile Food Bank – Thur., Nov. 14, 4:30-6 pm** - Coats 4 Kids NE door
- **Sheldon Free Unity Meal – Mon., Nov. 18, 5:30-6:30 p.m.** You are invited to join us for a **free meal and groceries to take home** at the Living Water Com. Ch.
- **Paul’s Missionary Journeys in Greece – Mar. 28-Apr. 8** Travel bus (7 ds), cruise ship (3 ds) to sites connected with Paul’s 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> missionary journeys, as well as other major sites. Dr. Jeff Weima, Prof at Calvin Theo. Sem. Hosts tour. For info. Call Dr. Weima, (616) 328-3110 or email [weimje@calvinseminary.edu](mailto:weimje@calvinseminary.edu).
- **Paul’s Missionary Journeys in Turkey & 7 Churches of Revelation May 27-June 8:** Visit sites connected w/Paul’s 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, & 3<sup>rd</sup> missionary journeys, also the 7 churches to whom John wrote the Book of Revelation. Join Dr. Weima, prof. at Calvin Sem. Contact Dr. Weima (616) 328-3110 or [weimje@calvinseminary.edu](mailto:weimje@calvinseminary.edu).
- **The Association for the Advancement of Dutch American Studies (AADAS) 2025 Conference, Hope College, Holland, MI, June 26-28. Theme: Post-WWII Dutch Immigration to North America** – We are looking for immigrants and their kids to research/assemble their individual/family immigration stories, while we can. What events/things stand out in your mind? Does your family still have items from the Netherlands and why? Get out those letters, photos, and immigration artifacts; talk to those who shared your experiences to affirm/test your recollections; compare your immigrant journey/life against published immigration accounts. How is your family story both personal and representative? We are also looking for research papers on topics related to the conference theme. Possible topics are listed in the Call for Papers, together with other info., on the AADAS website: <https://dutch-americans.org>. Submit an abstract (250 words) of your memoir or research paper to [henk.aay@gmail.com](mailto:henk.aay@gmail.com) before Feb. 1, 2025