

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE AT 9:30 A.M. –May 7, 2023

Rev. Todd Zuidema.....Guest Minister

Preparation for worship: O God, you pour out the Spirit of grace and love. Deliver us from cold hearts and wandering thoughts, that with steady minds and burning zeal we may worship you in spirit and truth. Amen (WSB)

WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

Prelude

Call to Worship: Psalm 31:1-5

*Opening Song: #473:1-3 *"To God Be the Glory"*

*Opening Prayer

*God's Greeting & Mutual Greeting

WE OFFER OUR PRAYERS AND GIFTS

God's Will for Our Lives: I Peter 2:1-3

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon: I Peter 2:4-10

Hymn of Response: #548:1-3 *"When We Walk with the Lord"*

Congregational Prayer

Offering: 1. Building Fund; 2. Center for Financial Education

Offertory

GOD SPEAKS THROUGH HIS WORD

*Hymn of Preparation: #530:1&3 *"I Love to Tell the Story"*

Prayer for Illumination

God's Word Read: John 14:1-14

God's Word Proclaimed: **"Promises Kept"**

Prayer of Application

WE GO OUT TO WALK WITH GOD

*Hymn of Response: #573:1,3,4 *"O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee"*

*Parting Blessing

*Doxology: #638 *"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"* (unannounced)

*Postlude

* indicates congregation stand

organist: Lavone Kats

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE:

GREETERS TODAY: Don & Mary Krommendyk, Deacon Rick & Tonya De Groot

GREETERS NEXT SUNDAY: Ken & Mary Leusink, Elder Tim & Ruth Kats

NURSERY TODAY: AM Kate Bonestroo, Lindsey Pffingsten, Ava Ney, Keagen Winterfeld, Ashley Fedders; PM Dan Fedders Family

NURSERY NEXT SUNDAY: AM Koni Leusink, Emily Van Grouw, Charlie Oostenink, Cooper Emerick, Kyrin De Groot; PM Mark Fedders Family

USHERS FOR MAY: Tyler Bonestroo, Mike Grevengoed, Scott Kroese, Harlan Mouw

VALET PARKING FOR MAY: May 7: Ryan Bolkema, Dalton Westra; May 14: Lane Driesen, Dason Vant Hul; May 21: Blaike Bonestroo, Riley Grevengoed

SECURITY COMMITTEE: May 7: Dan Bonestroo; May 14: Jeff Verdoorn; May 21: Zach M.

OFFERINGS: Today – Envelope receipts are for the church budget or for the cause(s) designated on your envelope. The loose offering is for 1. Building Fund; 2, CFE; PM Western Music Dept.

NEXT SUNDAY: Christian Ed Fund

COFFEE SERVERS TODAY: Eric & Michelle

NEXT SUNDAY: Lynn & Linda

POWER POINT TODAY: Kirk

NEXT SUNDAY: Emerick's/Kirk

SOUND SYSTEM TODAY: Ben

NEXT SUNDAY: Rick

CORRESPONDENCE: John Emerick to Steve & Tara Dekkers; Dan Fedders to Michael & Megan Ribbens; Mark Fedders to Lauren & Connie Runia; Rob Fedders to Gary & Ellie Sikma. For those wishing to send an email, addresses are in the directory, first page, under "Missionaries Supported". Envelopes are in the rack by the mailboxes.)

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

TODAY

9:30 AM Worship Service

10:45 AM Coffee fellowship in the basement

10:45 AM Sunday School/Catechism classes

10:45 AM Adult Sunday School

6:00 PM Evening Worship Service will include the Chamber Singers

MONDAY

6:30 PM Elder's Meeting

7:00 PM Deacon's Meeting

FIRST CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

May 7, 2023

WELCOME TO FIRST HULL: You are a royal priesthood, God's own people. Welcome to worship, that we may proclaim the mighty acts of God, who called us into his marvelous light. (Based on I Peter 2:9) A nursery and quiet room are available in the basement. TVs are available so that the service can be viewed. We invite everyone to join us for fellowship & coffee after the morning service in the church basement.

WE WELCOME Rev. Zuidema as he leads our morning worship service.

THIS MORNING the **Beginners, Preschoolers, and Kindergarten classes** will be giving a short program for parents, grandparents, and friends in the sanctuary at approximately 10:45a. Have the children come down to their classrooms and we will come up to the sanctuary as classes. Children may leave with their parents after the program.

THIS EVENING the Chamber Singers, under the direction of Mrs. Lindsey Veer Meer, will be participating in our service. Pastor Hoekstra will bring the message. **There will be no children's church this evening.** Join us after the service for a time of refreshments and fellowship.

SUNDAY SCHOOL/CATECHISM classes will meet today for their final meeting of the season. Thank you to all who gave their time willingly each Sunday morning to teach our children and young people God's word.

NEXT SUNDAY Rev. Tim Ouwinga will lead our worship services.

NEXT SUNDAY MORNING Karsyn LaRae Te Slaa, infant daughter of Ross and Morgan, Lincoln Hayes Vande Weerd, infant son of Jesse & Amber, and Evelyn Grace Schroeder, infant daughter of Evan & Rachel, will receive the sacrament of baptism.

COUNCIL NOMINATIONS: The following have been nominated for Elder (vote for 8 and 4 will be elected): Dean Bonestroo, Dan De Wit, Kevin Driesen, Dan Fedders, Mark Fedders, Eric Haveman, Galen Kroese, Ken Leusink, Harlan Mouw, Eric Rens, Greg Vanden Bosch, Dave Vant Hul. The following are nominated for Deacon (vote for 6 and 3 will be elected): Cory De Wit, Andrew Hoekstra, Travis Kooima, Ryan Kroese, Rick Leusink, Stephen Stiles, Jon Van Berkum, Tyler Vant Hul, Alex Westra. Voting will take place after the AM service on May 21 with the drawing of lots at the PM service.

LADIES/MEN who are able to help out at JFA in Rock Valley on Tuesday, May 9, may meet in the upper parking lot of church at 12:45p to car pool.

VBS is in need of crew leaders and volunteers! VBS runs from June 5-June 8. Please sign up on the sheet on the narthex table if you can help out. Questions, contact Rachel Bolkema, Ashley Hulstein, or Jessica Pollema.

STUDENTS: Please fill out the Graduate questionnaire that was in your mailbox and get it to me as soon as possible. (If you lost your sheet, I will get you another one.) You can put it in my church mailbox (Karen Bruxvoort) or email your answers to me at hull1crc@mtcnet.net. If you are unable to be there on Sunday morning, May 21, **please let me know**. Call the office at 439-1626 or email me. Thank you! -Karen

THE BANQUET: Our church is responsible for serving the evening meal at the Banquet on Tuesday, June 6. Please see the note that was in your church mailbox. A sign-up sheet is on the narthex table.

THE "SHARE" GROUP for widows and widowers will meet on Thursday, May 18, at 6:00p at St. Paul Lutheran Church. The menu will be ham, baked potatoes, and green bean casserole. Following our meal the program, "God's Power in Haiti, will be given by Jeanne Visser. Be sure to bring \$5 to help cover expenses. Call Deanna Tiedeman (439-2229) with any questions.

THANK YOU to the entire congregation for your prayers for me over the last several months. A special thank you to Pastor Ouwinga and Elder Vant Hul for their regular calls and visits. It is a blessing to be a part of a caring congregation. -Gaylene Bouma

COMMUNITY BULLETIN

FIRST CRC FAMILY PRAISE AND PRAYER CONCERNS:

- LuAnn De Wild is recovering well at home. Physical therapy is going well. Pray for continued healing.
- Continue to keep Carol Vis in your prayers. She continues to struggle with limitations in her vision.
- Jim Oostenink continues receiving treatments for cancer. Pray that the treatments are effective.
- Lois Salazar will finish her final round of chemo Wednesday. She is scheduled for a CT scan May 22. Her cancer marker continues to decline.
- Keep Russ Vander Schaaf in your prayers for ongoing progress for him and continued healing for Bonnie.

- Val Van Schepen was able to come home last weekend. Pray for continued strength and healing.
- Rick Van Hill continues with his cancer treatments. Pray for relief from the nausea he is experiencing.
- Pray for our shut ins: Aspen Heights: Joyce De Vries, Wilma Grevengoed, Theresa De Wit, Lou Krommendyk, Liz Schmith, Joyce Vande Griend and Goldie Veldman; Sheldon Care Center: Julianne Kats, Belle Draayer; Christian Retirement Home: Johanna Van Surksum; Crown Point Estates: Darlene Kroese, Larry & Glenda Oolman, Gary & Florence Horstman; Whispering Heights: Pete Soodsma; Courage Homes in Sioux City: Ardelle Westra.

HOPE CRC FAMILY PRAISE AND PRAYER CONCERNS:

- We continue to pray for Jackie Covey for her strength and continued care and treatment for cancer.
- We pray for Matt & Briana Roetman and the doctors and for the care that Matt needs as they deal with the cancer that they discovered in his colon.
- Pray for Mary Lund for her healing and recovery following her hip replacement surgery.
- Tony Boesch, Wes and Diana Dykstra's son-in-law, was admitted last week to the VA in Sioux Falls. He has been diagnosed with viral encephalitis. We praise God that his condition is improving. We continue to pray for Tony as he recovers and for Jenn as well.
- We pray for those whose prayer concerns are theirs privately; for those things that are a struggle and a challenge.
- We pray for those families and mothers who are expecting children that you will continue to watch over and care for them and for lives of those children in the womb.
- Pray for those who continue to recover at home.
- Pray for those who have upcoming surgery. Prayers for them, the doctors, nurses, and procedures.
- Pray for those who mourn, who have lost those whom they love and miss.
- Pray for all who are struggling with an addiction, emotional hurt, depression, and mental illness.
- Pray for our families, our marriages, that God would strengthen them, guide them, and be honored in them.
- Pray for those who cannot join us in worship, that they would be comforted and feel close to the congregation.

SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Have you contributed to the **Western Christian Spring Drive**? We ask that you prayerfully consider this cause. We are seeking to refurbish the south exterior of Western. Information can be found in the Spring Western Witness, the Western Weekly Memo, and our school website www.westernchristianhs.com. If you have any questions, please contact Brad Vis at 605-359-5704 or brad.vis@westernchristianhs.com.

Western Christian FFA Chapter is selling hanging baskets again this spring! Sales will begin on May 4 with baskets costing \$30/basket. Drop off pots between now and May 10 so we can pot them for you! Pots will be ready to pick up by May 10!

Board Nominations for Western Christian: At the end of this school year, Don De Boer, Doug De Boer, and Gary De Jager will be completing their terms on Western Christian's School Board. We thank them for their service! The board is now seeking 4 nominees to replace them. We are looking for one Hull resident, one Sioux Center resident and two at-large members coming from any region. Here are the specific areas of expertise we are seeking at this time: Finance, Policy, Reformed Doctrine & Theology, Legal, Public Relations/Communication, Advancement//Fundraising. If you know candidates who are especially gifted in one or more of these areas, please consider nominating them. All members of Western's society are invited to submit names for potential nominees for the board. Please submit nominations to board president, Mr. John Vander Haag: john.vanderhaag@westernchristianhs.com. You are encouraged to submit nominations by Friday, June 2. All newly elected trustees shall be approved by the society at the succeeding meeting in August.

HCS Chapel Program: Fruit of the Spirit: On May 9 the Preschool through 8th grade students of HCS will be having their chapel theme program at the **Western Event Center at 7:00p**. This program is a cumulation of the songs learned throughout the school year that centered around this year's chapel theme Fruit of the Spirit.

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

VILLAGE NORTHWEST UNLIMITED Annual Run, Walk & Roll will be held on Saturday, June 3, at 9:00a. To register online go to: www.villagenorthwest.org.

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SERVE IN MISSISSIPPI WITH WORLD RENEW: After the damage caused by tornadoes that stayed on the ground for approximately 100 miles across Mississippi, join World Renew this October for one week to serve homeowners by repairing homes. Will you answer the call to rebuild hope in Rolling Fork, Mississippi? If interested email: cgibson@worldrenew.net to sign up or with questions.