

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE AT 9:30 A.M. –August 20, 2023

Rev. Steve Boersma...Guest Minister

Preparation for worship: Dear Jesus, help me listen for your voice during this time of worship. Amen

WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

Prelude

Responsive Call to Worship: Psalm 100

Pastor: Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth. Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.

ALL: Know that the LORD is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people the sheep of his pasture.

Pastor: Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.

ALL: For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

*Opening Hymn: SW#9 “He Has Made Me Glad” (sing twice)

*Opening Prayer

*God’s Greeting: Revelation 1:4-5

*Mutual Greeting

GOD RENEWS US IN HIS GRACE

God’s Will for Our Lives

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon: Psalm 68:19-20; 130:7-8

Hymn of Response: #170:1-4 “O God, Our Help in Ages Past”

WE OFFER OUR PRAYERS AND GIFTS

Congregational Prayer

Offering: Sioux Falls/Sioux City Gospel Missions

Offertory

WE HEAR GOD’S WILL

*Hymn of Preparation: #280:1-3 “Blessed Jesus, at Your Word”

Prayer for Illumination

God’s Word Read: Deuteronomy 7:7-11

God’s Word Proclaimed: “**God’s Faithfulness Through the Generations**”

Prayer of Application

*Hymn of Response: #443:1-4 “Hours and Days and Years and Ages”

WE GO OUT TO WALK WITH GOD

*Parting Blessing

*Doxology: SW#34 “Step by Step” (unannounced)

*Postlude

*indicates congregation stand
organist: Connie Te Krony

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE:

GREETERS TODAY: Jim & Donna Rens, Elder Dave & Sherry Vant Hul

GREETERS NEXT SUNDAY: Shirley Rens & Susan Roetman, Deacon Devin & Kate Bonestroo

NURSERY TODAY: AM Amber Vande Weerd, Shae Pollema, Tyson Bosma, Taryne De Groot, Jesse Ney; PM Curt Van Grouw Family

NURSERY NEXT SUNDAY: AM Ashley Hulstein, Tara Thorson, Caden Hulstein, Reese Wielenga, Makenna Fedders; PM Justin Te Slaa Family

USHERS FOR AUG: Lynn Anderson, Dan Bonestroo, Lonny Van Schepen, Kyle Vander Schaaf

VALET PARKING FOR AUG: Aug. 20: Ethan Ney, Riley Grevengoed; Aug. 27: Zach Mouw, Braden Baccam

SECURITY COMMITTEE: Aug. 20: Dave Vant Hul; Aug. 27: Waylon Pollema

OFFERINGS: Today – Envelope receipts are for the church budget or for the cause(s) designated on your envelope. The loose offering is for Sioux City/Sioux Falls Gospel Missions

NEXT SUNDAY: 1. Christian Ed Fund; 2. Cornerstone Prison Church/SD Penitentiary

COFFEE SERVERS TODAY: Kevin & Janice **NEXT SUNDAY:** John & Amy Emerick

POWER POINT TODAY: Kirk **NEXT SUNDAY:** Kirk/Emerick’s

SOUND SYSTEM TODAY: Kyle LeLoux **NEXT SUNDAY:** Kyle Te Slaa

CORRESPONDENCE: Helen Soodsma to Steve & Tara Dekkers; Bob Soodsma to Michael & Megan Ribbens; Jay Stellinga to Lauren & Connie Runia; Stephen Stiles 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

6:00 PM Evening Worship Service

Sunday morning, August 20, 2023

Text: Deuteronomy 7:7-11

Message: "God's Faithfulness Through the Generations"

Sermon notes:

FIRST CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

August 20, 2023

WELCOME TO FIRST HULL: Paul writes: "The gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable" (Romans 11:29, NRSV). God has called you, so receive his gifts for you today: his love, his forgiveness, his life. 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. Steve Boersma as he leads our worship services today. Next Sunday Rev. Todd Zuidema will lead our morning worship service and Rev. LeRoy Christoffels will lead our evening service.

SEEKING GEMS COUNSELORS: Hull GEMS is seeking women who love girls, God, and crafts. We are in need of additional counselors to mentor girls. To sign up or learn more contact Karinda de Boom at hullgems@gmail.com or 605-321-1038.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS are needed, especially for the younger grades. Contact Galen Kroese (470-2632) if you are willing to help.

LADIES who can help at JFA on Tuesday, August 22, should meet in the upper parking lot at 12:45p to car pool.

THE EVANGELISM COMMITTEE will be going to the Cornerstone Prison toward the end of October. Anyone who is interested in going along should contact Dave Vande Griend (439-1448 or 441-3919).

PICTURE DIRECTORY: It is time to update our directory! If you have a new picture you would like to submit, please put it in my church mailbox or email it to me (hull1crc@mtcnet.net). Thank you! -Karen

CHURCH PICNIC is set for Wednesday, September 6, at Westside Park at 6:00p. The meal will be potluck with *meat, buns, drink, and paper products provided*. Bring one hot or cold item to share. Please sign up on the sheet on the narthex table **TODAY August 20th** (*the buns need to be ordered this week!*) if you can attend so we know how many people to expect for food. There will be Bouncy Houses for the kids. We need 3 men at 4:00p to help put up the Bouncy Houses. *Sign up on the sheet if you can help with this.*

KIDS' CLUB is still looking for volunteers. This is an after-school program that provides a safe, faith-based environment for kids in grades K-3 at no charge. We welcome high school students through adults, and we will work with your schedule. A volunteer orientation/appreciation is scheduled for **Thursday, Sept. 7 at 4:30 at American Reformed Church**. Questions, contact Sylvia Eekhoff (540-7734) or Elaine Boogard (348-4181).

KIDS' CLUB is ready to kick off a new year and we need your help! We are looking for some food donations so we can feed the children a snack when they arrive at Kids' Club. Please pick up a slip from the table where you can also find student and volunteer registration forms. Donation slip items should be return to the church by Sunday, September 3rd. Thank you so much for your support!

A BIG THANK YOU to all the ladies who helped clean/paint the parsonage. Your help was greatly appreciated!

OFFERING AMOUNTS FOR JULY:

General Fund: \$27,835.00	Building Fund: \$ 755.00	Hull
Kids' Club: \$ 104.16		
Mission Fund: 260.00	Benevolence: 290.00	
Inspiration Hills: 1,095.44	Luke Society: 935.00	

COMMUNITY BULLETIN

FIRST CRC FAMILY PRAISE AND PRAYER CONCERNS:

- Levi Thorson had successful surgery to correct his scoliosis. Pray for healing.
- LuAnn De Wild had her shoulder surgery postponed until her blood pressure is regulated and doctors okay it. Pray for patience and that things can improve to enable the surgery to go forward.
- Theresa De Wit moved to Crown Pointe in Sioux Center on Wednesday. She is in Room 1212 of Willow. Mail may be placed in her church mailbox or sent to Dan and Kathy's address. Her new phone number is 722-0636.
- Continue to remember Bob Soodsma as he recovers from knee surgery and for Sharon as she is dealing with C-diff for the third time.
- Continue to keep Eleanor Kiers in your prayers. Pray that the open sores on her leg will heal and that her voice will return.
- Gerald Jansen had surgery on Monday to deal with a parathyroid issue. He expected to return home on Tuesday.
- Pray for our shut ins: Aspen Heights: Joyce De Vries, Wilma Grevengood, Liz Schmith, Joyce Vande Griend, and Goldie Veldman; Sheldon Care Center: Julianne Kats, Belle

Draayer; Christian Retirement Home: Johanna Van Surksum; Crown Pointe Estates: Theresa De Wit, Darlene Kroese, Lou Krommendyk, Larry & Glenda Oolman, Gary Horstman, John Scholten; Whispering Heights: Pete Soodsma; Courage Homes in Sioux City: Ardelle Westra.

HOPE CRC FAMILY PRAISE AND PRAYER CONCERNS:

- Cheryl Roorda, grandmother of Kaylee Hulstein, was admitted to the hospital struggling with double pneumonia. We pray for her healing.
- Mike Visser, Mandy Hoekstra's father, has a scan planned for Monday to plan for his care for cancer.
- Joan Horstman was admitted to the hospital Thursday.
- Terry deBoom, Scott deBoom's father, was readmitted to the hospital in Sioux Falls. We continue to pray for his care and for his healing.
- Diana Dykstra was transferred to rehabilitation this week. We continue to pray for her healing and for her strength.
- Howard Krikke, Denise Keizer's father, is now in hospice. We pray for him and for his family in this time of connection and fellowship and care. We pray for his wife, Alvina, as she cares for Howard in their home.
- We pray for those whose prayer concerns are theirs privately; for those who struggle with ongoing health concerns.
- 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

WCHS Fall Society Meeting: The Board of Trustees invites the Society of Western to participate in our annual Fall meeting. We welcome your in-person attendance on Monday, August 21, at 6:00p. At the meeting we will update the society on current events and vote on four trustees who have been nominated for a first term (Ryan Beukelman, Bryan Van Kley, Lora Petitt, and Brenda Postma), and one board trustee who is up for a second term (Keith Kelderman).

Western: On Monday, August 21, we invite you to join us for lunch at noon in Western's Event Center. Come to learn more about **The Wolfpack Edge**, an intentional effort to

promote Faith, Purpose, Passion, and Service in all our activities and athletics at Western. We encourage you to bring a friend. Lunch will be provided. Please RSVP to Brad Vis – brad.vis@westernchristianhs.com if you plan to attend.

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

COMMUNITY IMPACT EVENT: A Tip Night will be held at the Hull Pizza Ranch on Monday, August 28, from 5:00-7:00p to benefit the Hull Kids' Club afterschool program. Pizza Ranch will generously donate a percentage of their sales, as well as all of the evening's tips to support this vital community program. Come out and join us or go through the drive-through and support this program. Mark your calendar now. Hope to see you there!

LOVE INC: Love & Learn classes will begin on Tuesday, August 29, 2023. This fall we are offering Faith & Finances, Boundaries, Grief Share and Redemptive Compassion. Please contact Love INC at 712-476-5990 for more information and to register.

LOVE INC Sioux County is seeking volunteers to mentor participants in our Faith & Finances class. A mentor works one on one with a paired participant to help them establish healthy spending habits and build a workable budget. Qualifications are a love for serving your neighbors and passion for helping them gain financial independence. Love & Learn classes begin on Tuesday, August 29, and run for 12 consecutive weeks. Training is provided by Love INC. Please contact Debbie at 712-476-5990 for more information.

DORDT UNIVERSITY: You are cordially invited to a faculty organ and trumpet recital by Dr. Carrie Groenewold and Richard Neckermann on Saturday, Sept. 2, at 7:30p in the B.J. Haan Auditorium. The recital will be followed by a public reception in the lobby.

GROWING INWARD-REACHING OUTWARD CONFERENCE for men and women will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 12, at Bethel CRC in Sioux Center. Best-selling author, Carol Kent's life turned upside down when their only child was sentenced for murder. Carol shares from God's Word and her family's life experience in growing an enduring faith and impacting the world for Christ. Registration and more information can be found at Bibleleague.org/tickets.

JUSTICE FOR ALL is very excited to announce dates for the upcoming 2024 Service and Learning Trips! Please prayerfully consider joining us on one of these trips. The trips are designed to be an opportunity to use our hands and feet to bless others through work projects, but also to learn and experience a different culture than our own and see what God

is doing through the incredible ministry partners serving in these communities. The sites/dates are Harvest Ministries, Jackson, MS: Jan. 20-26; JVN Perkins Foundation, Jackson, MS: Feb. 3-9; Voice of Calvary Ministries, Jackson, MS: Feb. 10-16; Grace Covenant Ministries, Annville, KY: March 2-8; Grace Reigns, Hildale, UT: March 16-22. If you would like to sign up or want more information on any of these opportunities, please contact Nick LeLoux at JFA (412-476-2804, nickl@jfa-nwiowa.org.) Or you may join us on October 23 at 1335 Valley Drive, Rock Valley for an information meeting at 6:30p (refreshments will be provided).