

**MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE – February 26 2023**  
**Rev. Todd Zuidema .... Guest Minister - First Sunday in Lent**

*Preparation for Worship: “But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God.”*  
*John 1:12 (ESV)*

**WE ARE GATHERED IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD**

Prelude  
Call to Worship: Matthew 11:28-30  
Opening Prayer  
\*Opening Hymn: #534:1-4 “Come, You Sinners, Poor and Needy”  
\*God’s Greeting & Mutual Greeting

**WE ARE RENEWED IN GOD’S GRACE**

Call to Confession: Genesis 3:1-7  
Assurance of Pardon  
God’s Will for Our Lives: Matthew 22:37-40  
Hymn of Response: #32:1,2,5 “How Blest Are They Whose Trespass”  
Congregational Prayer  
Offering: 1. Christian Ed Fund; 2. Gideons  
Offertory

**GOD SPEAKS TO US THROUGH HIS WORD**

\*Hymn of Preparation: #278:1,2,3 “Holy Spirit, Mighty God”  
Prayer of Illumination  
God’s Word Read: Matthew 4:1-11  
God’s Word Proclaimed: “**The Way of the Wilderness**”  
Prayer of Application

**WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD**

\*Hymn of Response: #543:1,2 “Guide Me, O My Great Redeemer”  
\*Parting Blessing  
\*Doxology: #543:3 “Guide Me, O My Great Redeemer”  
\*Postlude  
*Please allow teachers/students to exit first*

\*indicates congregation stand

organist: Lavonne Kats

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE:**

**GREETERS TODAY:** Brad & Lisa Kats, Elder Rob & Amy Westra

**GREETERS NEXT SUNDAY:** Jim & Vell Keizer, Deacon Eric & Bobbie Kroese

**NURSERY TODAY:** AM Emily Stiles, Emily Van Schepen, Dylan Bonestroo, Taryne De Groot, Ashlyn Grevengoed; PM Brett Van Middendorp Family

**NEXT SUNDAY:** AM Rachel Schroeder, Ranae Sheffield, Tysen Bosma, Haley Struik, Makenna Fedders; PM Travis Veldman Family

**USHERS FOR FEB.:** Tyler Vant Hul, Scott Grevengoed, Dave Vant Hul, Randy Winterfeld

**USHERS FOR MAR.:** Nathan Boer, Eric Haveman, Tom Sheffield, Justin Pollema

**VALET PARKING FOR FEB.:** Feb. 26: Eric Rens, Ben Vant Hul; Mar. 5: Lynn Anderson, Ryan Bolkema; Mar. 12: Dalton Westra, Jakob Emerick; Mar. 19: Jacob Westra, Dan Bonestroo

**SECURITY COMMITTEE:** Feb. 26: John Emerick; Mar. 5: Kyle LeLoux; Mar. 12: Dan B.

**OFFERINGS:** Today – Envelope receipts are for the church budget or for the cause(s) designated on your envelope. The loose offering is for 1. Christian Ed Fund; 2. Gideons

**NEXT SUNDAY:** 1. Building Fund; 2. Katelyn’s Fund

**POWER POINT TODAY:** AM Kirk; PM Jason/Kaden **NEXT SUNDAY:** Kirk/Emerick’s

**SOUND SYSTEM TODAY:** Kyle T.S. **NEXT SUNDAY:** Ben

**COFFEE SERVERS TODAY:** Brett & Kaleigh **NEXT SUNDAY:** Dave & Sherry

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Jon Van Berkum to Steve & Tara Dekkers; Curt Van Grouw to Michael & Megan Ribbens; Lee Van Grouw to Lauren & Connie Runia; Brett Van Middendorp to Gary & Ellie Sikma; Justin Van Schepen to Raul & Adrianna Herrera (Envelopes available on the rack by the mailboxes. E-mail addresses are in the church directory, page 1, under “Missionaries Supported”.)

**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 Ladies Bible Study (meet in the nursery)  
10:45 AM Choir Rehearsal  
6:00 PM Evening Worship Service

**WEDNESDAY**

10:00 AM Coffee Break at Hope CRC. Lesson 6 – Genesis Part 3  
6:45 PM GEMS: meet at Hope CRC in full uniform. Our next meeting will be Mar. 13.  
7:00 PM YPS Senior Citizens Night in the church basement. Lunch: Ethan, Chandler, Konner, Dason & Ashten.  
7:00 PM Music & Worship Committee (Council Room)

**FIRST CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH**

February 26, 2023

**WELCOME TO FIRST HULL:** Welcome to worship on this first Sunday in Lent. A warm welcome to visitors joining us today. 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.

**TO MINIMIZE** the spreading of germs during this cold and flu season, we will cease shaking hands until further notice. Elders and pastor will greet you after the service, but not shake your hand. Greeters will be available prior to the service, but they will not shake your hand.

**WE WELCOME** Rev. Todd Zuidema as he leads our worship services today. Next Sunday Dr. Wayne Kobes will lead our morning worship and Rev. Steve Boersma will lead our evening service.

**LADIES/MEN** who are able to help at JFA on Tues., Feb. 28, meet in the upper parking lot at 12:45p to car pool.

**THE YPS** invites all Senior Citizens to a night of games, fellowship, and food on Wednesday, March 1, at 7:00p in the church basement.

**DONATION OPPORTUNITY:** Ken and Mary Leusink are planning on going to Grace Covenant Mission in Annville, Kentucky with JFA from March 3-10. There is a box in back of church for those wishing to donate new underwear and new socks for school age children. This is a big need for the children there.

**DAFFODILS** are the first flower of spring and the bright symbol of hope. To the American Cancer Society, the daffodil symbolizes the hope we all share for a cure where cancer no longer threatens those we love. Daffodil Days has empowered people to make a difference in the fight against cancer by raising funds and awareness to help beat the disease. **To order your daffodils for \$10 a bunch, please contact Julie Mesman at Person Touch Design at 439-1807 by March 5 or email her at [juliemesman@yahoo.com](mailto:juliemesman@yahoo.com). Daffodils will be available to be picked up the week of March 14 at Personal Touch Designs.** THANK YOU for helping to save lives and create a world with more birthdays! Please make checks for this fundraiser out to **Sioux County Daffodils**.

**ADVANCE NOTICE:** Combined Annual Day of prayer service at Hope CRC on Wed., March 8, at 7:00p. We will pray for Agriculture and Industry, our Schools and Community, Our Homes, Families and Churches, and our Nation and World.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** Occasionally members of our church find themselves in need of a ride. If you are able to help, contact Karen (439-1626) and she will add you to the volunteer list.

**THANK YOU** for your faithful support for God's mission! Right now, God is working through your support for Resonate missionaries, church planters, campus planters, campus ministers, and other ministry leaders in your own community and to the ends of the earth. And in the coming year, even more people will come to know Jesus Christ and grow in their faith. Thank you for walking with them!

-Joel Huyser, Interim Director, Resonate Global Mission

### **COMMUNITY BULLETIN**

#### **FIRST CRC FAMILY PRAISE AND PRAYER CONCERNS:**

- Continue to keep Roger De Groot in prayer as he continues to heal and gain strength.
- We extend our Christian sympathy to Betty Bolkema in the passing of her sister, Marge Van Surksum, on Saturday, Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>. May God comfort her in her sorrow.
- We extend our Christian sympathy to Roger and Carol Vis in the passing of Roger's sister-in-law, Mrs. Bud (Estella) Vis, of Edgerton on Wednesday. Funeral services will be held on Monday. May God comfort them in their sorrow.
- Marilyn Grevengoed continues to receive therapy at Hegg Memorial Hospital in Rock Valley.
- Prayers for Lois Salazar. Her blood platelets dropped this week. Pray that she will be able to have her infusion on March 1.
- Peg Visser had successful knee replacement surgery on Tuesday at the Orange City Hospital. Pray for healing.
- Troy Bruxvoort was able to come home from the hospital on Monday. Pray for continued healing and strength.
- Pray for Sharon Soodsma who had gall bladder surgery Thursday evening in the Sioux Center Hospital. Pray for a successful surgery and a good recovery.
- Bob Soodsma continues his recovery at home following his hip surgery. Pray for strength and healing.
- Gaylene Bouma is at Crown Point receiving oral antibiotics and therapy with the goal of returning home.
- Continue to keep Maddox and Carver in your prayers that they will stay healthy and that they will gain weight.
- Jeff Vander Schaaf had successful elbow surgery. Pray for healing mercies.
- Pray for Russ Vander Schaaf as he continues with cancer treatments. Pray for strength, energy, and healing.
- Rick Van Hill received an encouraging scan report and will continue with his current treatment plan.

- Pray for our shut ins: Aspen Heights: Joyce De Vries, Wilma Grevengoed, Theresa De Wit, Lou Krommendyk, Larry & Glenda Oolman, Liz Schmith, Joyce Vande Griend and Goldie Veldman; Sheldon Care Center: Julianne Kats, Belle Draayer; Christian Retirement Home: Johanna Van Surksun; Royale Meadows: Darlene Kroese; Whispering Heights: Pete Soodsma; River View Ridge: Howard Grevengoed; Hegg Memorial Hospital: Marilyn Grevengoed; Courage Homes in Sioux City: Ardelle Westra.

### **HOPE CRC FAMILY PRAISE AND PRAYER CONCERNS:**

- Joan Horstman continues to recover in the Sioux Center Hospital after experiencing a stroke. We pray for her healing and for her care moving forward.
- Wanda Talsma fell and broke her wrist. She is currently in a splint. The doctors have delayed her getting a cast. We continue to pray for pain relief and her healing.
- Le Talsma's procedure was postponed this week. They had to reschedule the oblation for the nerve in his back to relieve his pain. We pray for Le to experience relief while they wait for the procedure.
- Pray for Aria Buyert, daughter of Daniel and Brianne, as she recovers from surgery.
- Pray for Jackie Covey for her treatment of cancer. We pray for strength for her and continued effectiveness of the treatment she is receiving.
- Ruth Hoekema continues to recuperate at home. We pray for her continued care, rehabilitation, and we pray for Cal as he helps her.
- Pray for Sheila Olson, Deb and Jerry's niece, as she continues with treatment for cancer.
- 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 ANNOUNVEMENTS**

**HCS:** If you are interested in making a positive impact on students and the many other benefits of working in a Christian environment we might have the job for you. HCS is accepting applications for a **3<sup>rd</sup> grade teacher** (added position) and **middle school teacher**. Applicants should contact Mr. Ten Pas at [712-439-2273](tel:712-439-2273) or e-mail [rtentpas@hullchristian.com](mailto:rtentpas@hullchristian.com) with any questions.

### **REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**DORDT UNIVERSITY MUSIC DEPARTMENT:** **Wed., March 1**, at 7:30p enjoy a concert by the Chamber Orchestra and Campus-Community Band in the auditorium. The Chamber Orchestra will delight your ear with the classical era sounds of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's Symphony No. 41. The Campus-Community Band will bring the many standards we well as contemporary music from the wind band repertoire. **Thursday, March 2, at 7:30p** the Chorale, Canons of Dordt, Bella Voce and Concert Choir will present a program of music about Creation, highlighting themes of water and light in our place in the world. Come enjoy an evening of compositions spanning almost 500 years as we explore God's creation through music. The concerts are available on livestream at <https://www.dordt.edu/livestream>.

**IRETON CHRISTIAN SCHOOL's** Annual Bluegrass Gospel Concert will be held Sat., March 11, at Dordt. The two groups performing are The Anderegg Family and The Baker Family. Show times are 2:30p and 7:00p. Tickets are \$15 at the door or can be purchased from the Ireton Christian School. Children ages 15 and under are free.

**TRI-STATE TEENS ENCOUNTER CHRIST (TEC)** is accepting applications for March 17-19 at the First Reformed Church in Rock Rapids. TEC is an interdenominational three-day Christian retreat designed to help high schoolers learn more about their faith and their community. If you would like to learn more or register, please visit [www.TriStateTEC.org](http://www.TriStateTEC.org) or email [TriStateTEC@gmail.com](mailto:TriStateTEC@gmail.com). The cost is \$50 and includes a t-shirt and other special gifts. Scholarships are available upon request. *Are you an adult but will want to be involved?* We are also accepting applications for adults over 21 to join our team for the weekend and help students experience Jesus! Visit [tristatetec.org](http://tristatetec.org) for more information.

**GUIDING STAR** Siouxland's annual Fundraising Gala will be held on March 24 at 6:00p at the Terrace View Event Center in Sioux Center. Please join us for an exciting evening, featuring Keynote Speaker, Matt Hammitt, updates on our organization, a touching client testimony, and an opportunity to Build a Culture of Life with us. Find more information at [www.guidingstarsiouxland.org/fundraising-gala-2023/](http://www.guidingstarsiouxland.org/fundraising-gala-2023/).

**SAVE THE DATE:** Love in the name of Christ Sioux County will be hosting a spring fundraising event on Saturday, April 15, 2023 at the Parkview Event Center in Rock Valley. Watch for more information coming soon on Facebook: Love INC of Sioux County and our website at [www.loveincsiouxcounty.org](http://www.loveincsiouxcounty.org).