MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE AT 9:30 A.M. April 21, 2024

Rev. Aaron Greydanus...Minister

Preparation for Worship: "Ascribe to the LORD, O mighty ones, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength. Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; worship the LORD in the splendor of his holiness. Psalm 29:1,2

WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

Prelude

*Call to Worship and Greeting (#539 LUYH)
Pastor: O magnify the Lord with me.

People: Let us exalt God's name together!

Pastor: We will give thanks to you, O Lord, with our whole heart; we will tell of all your wonderful

deeds.

People: We will be glad and exult in you; we will sing praise to your name, O Most High.

Pastor: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the

seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the

firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. AMEN

*Opening Prayer

*Opening Song: #249:1-4 "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"

WE ARE RENEWED IN GOD'S GRACE

Call to Confession: I John 1:8-10

The Law of God: Q&A 4 (PH pg. 862) and Q&A 110-111 (PH pg. 913)

Prayer of Confession

Song of Assurance: #420:1-3 "Breath on Me, Breath of God"

Congregational Prayer Offering: AC Replacement

Offertory

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

*Hymn of Preparation: #280:1-3 "Blessed Jesus at Your Word"

Prayer for Illumination

God's Word Read: Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

God's Word Proclaimed: "...Shine Like the Sun..."

Prayer of Application

WE GO OUT TO WALK WITH GOD

*Song of Response: "Shine On Us" (on PPT)

*Parting Blessing

*Parting Song: #315:1,4 "Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

*Postlude

*indicates congregation stand; pianist: Lavonne Kats

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE:

GREETERS TODAY: Rob & Amy Westra, Deacon Kyle & Cindy LeLoux

GREETERS NEXT SUNDAY: AM GEMS; PM Evan & Shondra Wielenga, Elder Dave & Kay Kroese

NURSERY TODAY: AM Sheila Van Schepen, Amy Emerick, Bryson Pollema, Kaden Struik,

Makenna Fedders; PM Justin Te Slaa Family

NURSERY NEXT SUNDAY: AM Kate Bonestroo, Lindsey Pfingsten, Annie Leusink, Ava Ney,

Reese Wielenga; PM Zach Vant Hul Family

USHERS FOR APR.: Tom Sheffield, Jon Van Berkum, Terry Jansma, Dave Te Slaa

<u>VALET PARKING FOR APR:</u> Apr. 21: Ashten Winterfeld, Mitchell Fedders; Apr. 28: Dan Bonestroo, Ethan Ney

SECURITY COMMITTEE: Apr. 21: Ross Te Slaa; Apr. 28: Zach Vant Hul

<u>**OFFERINGS:**</u> Today – Envelope receipts are for the church budget or for the cause(s) designated on your envelope. The loose offering is for the AC Replacement

NEXT SUNDAY: GEMS

POWER POINT TODAY:KirkNEXT SUNDAY:Kirk/Emerick'sSOUND SYSTEM TODAY:Kyle LeLouxNEXT SUNDAY:Kyle Te Slaa

CORRESPONDENCE: Roger Vis to Steve & Tara Dekkers; Ken Visser to Michael & Megan Ribbens; Daryl Wesselink to Raul & Adrianna Herrea (e-mail only); Johanna Westra to Lauren & Connie Runia; Randy Westra to Gary & Ellie Sikma; Rob Westra to Sos & Kara Maletoungou (e-mail address are in the directory). Envelopes are in the rack by the mailboxes.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

TODAY

9:30 AM Worship Service

10:45 AM Profession of Faith informational class (youth building)

6:00 PM Evening Worship Service

7:00 PM Christian Fellowship. Chapter 2 "A Reversal of Values". Lunch: Jim & Vell, Susan

MONDAY

7:00 PM Ladies Bible Study meet in the Youth Building. Session 7: Judgementalism and Sins Of the Tongue

WEDNESDAY

5:00 PM YPS Diner (see announcement in insert)

6:45 PM GEMS final meeting of the year

7:00 PM Cadets Point Auction in the youth building. You do not need to wear your uniform.

FIRST CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

April 21, 2024

WELCOME TO WORSHIP: God sets a table before us and anoints us with the oil of gladness; our cup overflows (see Psalm 23:5; 45:7). Welcome!

THIS MORNING Pastor Aaron's message is from Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43 titled "...Shine Like the Sun...". His evening message is from I Peter 1:3-12 titled "New Birth".

PROFESSION OF FAITH CLASS will have an informational meeting after the morning service today in the Youth Building. If you are interested in learning more, you are welcome to come.

YPS DINER will be held this Wednesday from 5-7p. Come out and enjoy tasty hamburgers, brats, and hotdogs along with chips and ice cream sundaes. To-go boxes available. Freewill donations will be accepted. Come out to support our young people!

GEMS SUNDAY is April 28 at the Western Event Center with First CRC. Girls are asked to be there at 9:10a to greet. Please wear your GEMS shirt with a nice skirt or nice pants.

<u>PARENTS:</u> We will be honoring all our grade school, high school and college graduates on Sunday morning, May 19th. If you have a son/daughter who will be graduating this year from College, Vocational School, or Trade School, please let me know so that I can get a questionnaire in their mailbox. You may call (439-1626) or email me at <a href="https://multi-numerical-numer

VBS REGISTRATION: Dive into Bible School – Diving into Friendship with God. Hull Vacation Bible School is Sunday, June 2 through Thursday, June 6 from 6:00p-8:30p every night. There will be a small program Thursday, June 6. The meal for the kids attending and volunteers will be served from 5:15-5:45p Monday through Thursday. You can register online this year using the online form with the link found on the Hull VBS Facebook page or you can turn in the form to one of the committee members from our church. Registrations are due May 1. Please contact Rachel Bolkema, Jessica Pollema, or Ashley Hulstein with any question.

<u>VBS VOLUNTEERS:</u> We are needing volunteers to help with VBS to help it run smoothly. Those interested in helping (junior high age an older) are asked to sign up using this link on

the Hull VBS Facebook page. (Please note that although VBS is starting on a Sunday again this year, you do not have to miss Sunday evening church to attend. Students and helpers are welcome to start their VBS experience on Monday as well). Any questions, please contact Rachel Bolkema, Jessica Pollema, or Ashley Hulstein.

COMMUNITY BULLETIN

FIRST CRC FAMILY PRAISE AND PRAYER CONCERNS:

- Congratulations to Brett & Kaleigh Van Middendorp and BIG sisters Cambrea and Leora on the birth of Zekiah John on April 11th.
- We extend our Christian sympathy to Glenda & Larry Oolman and Don & Mary Krommendyk and their families in the passing of their mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, Luella Krommendyk, on Saturday, April 13th. We pray that God will comfort them in their sorrow.
- Continue to keep Collin Kats, grandson of Henry & Cheryl, in your prayers. He is slowly recovering and they are seeing answers to prayers.
- Keep Dori De Jong in prayer as she continues her recuperation at home. Pray for relief from pain and a full recovery.
- Continue to keep Bonnie Vander Schaaf in your prayers. Bonnie is scheduled to have knee surgery the first week of May.
- Pray for our shut ins: Aspen Heights: Wilma Grevengoed, Joyce Kroese, Nelvina Kroese, Liz Schmith, Joyce Vande Griend, Goldie Veldman; Sheldon Care Center: Julianne Kats; Christian Retirement Home: Johanna
 - Van Surksum; Crown Pointe Estates: Joyce De Vries, Matt De Wild, Darlene Kroese, Larry & Glenda Oolman, Gary Horstman; Friendly Horizons: Theresa De Wit; Whispering Heights: Pete Soodsma; Courage Homes in Sioux City: Ardelle Westra.

HOPE CRC FAMILY PRAISE AND PRAYER CONCERNS:

- We express our Christian sympathy to Jan Bakker and Nathan and Chanda. Jan's brother, Bob Dyk of Spokane, WA passed away. We pray for God's peace and comfort for the family.
- We pray for those who have ongoing health concerns for which they are seeking healing and relief.
- We pray for all of those who are continuing with treatment for cancer.
- We rejoice and continue to pray for those who are recovering from surgery.
- 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, anxiety, 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, including Bill Heynen who is at Crown Pointe.
- We pray for those serving our communities in law enforcement, emergency services, fire department, and those who serve our country in the armed forces.

SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our God: Discovering the Names of God: The HCS PK-8th grade chapel program will be held on May 6. There will be a 1:30 matinee/dress rehearsal and a 7:00 performance at the Western Event Center.

Band and Orchestra Pops Concert: May 13 at 7:00p the HCS 5th-8th orchestra students will be presenting an animal-themed pop's concert, including songs about snakes, squirrels, panthers, sheep and more.

HCS is currently searching for an assistant cook for the 2024-2025 school year. If you are interested in being part of our team, please apply! Applications can be found on our webpage (www.hullchristian.com) or by contacting school. Applicants should contact Mr. Ten Pas at 712-439-2273 or e-mail rtenpas@hullchristian.com with any questions.

HCS is looking for Beef and Pork donations for the Rally Day sale this fall. If you have an animal that you are willing to donate, please contact Krista Van Der Brink at 712-470-5734. August 26, 2024 is the locker date we have scheduled.

There is still time to sign up for the Foundation Luncheon! We invite you to attend the Annual Western Christian Foundation Luncheon. This will be held at noon on Wednesday, April 24, in the Western Christian Event Center. Mr. Brad Van Heuvelen, Chief Wealth Management Officer at Peoples Bank will be the quest speaker. Lunch will be provided by Beyer Catering and Amie Smit and the Western Christian Orchestra will provide special music. Please RSVP to Brad Vis – brad.vis@westernchristianhs.com or by cell 605-359-5704 if you plan to attend. We hope to see you there.

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>WE ARE STILL LOOKING</u> for applicants for our open positions for the Kid's Club program. If you are interested or know someone who may be, please contact Ruth Moss 712-441-4170, Sherry De Wit 605-690-9479, or Julie Kreun 712-470-3837 to get a short application to fill out. Please be in prayer for the future of this program.

DORDT UNIVERSITY Music Department will present a Small Ensembles Recital at 7:30p on Friday, April 26, in the Auditorium. The recital will feature Dordt's Saxophone ensemble and Clarinet choir.

DORDT UNIVERSITY Music Department will present a 4th Avenue Jazz concert on Saturday, April 27, at 7:30p in the Auditorium. Featured on the concert will be the 4th Avenue Singers and 4th Avenue Band. Come for a relaxed evening of big band standards, pop tune covers, and new works. The concert will also be available on livestream at www.dordt.edu/livestream.

MOZART REQUIEM: The Sioux County Oratorio Chorus, join by Northwestern College's A Cappella Choir will be presenting Mozart's *Requiem* on Saturday, April 27, at 7:30p in Christ Chapel at Northwestern College. Tickets for adults are \$15 in advance/\$20 at the door and \$5 for students. Tickets can be purchased at Northwestern's music office, Dordt music office, Evie's Hallmark in Sioux Center, and Windmill Park Jewelers in Orange City.

LOVE INC SIOUX COUNTY: You are invited to our 2024 Spring Share Event on Saturday, April 27th. Come and enjoy delicious appetizers and desserts while playing trivia! Prizes will be given to the top two teams. Create a team of 8 and purchase a table, or you an come as an individual/couple and join a team when you arrive. Purchase tickets **by Monday** by calling the Love INC office at 476-5990 or go online to www.loveincsiouxcounty.org and purchase with a credit card. Join us as we celebrate God's goodness! We hope to see you there!

<u>DORDT MUSIC DEPT:</u> The Choral Ensembles Spring Concert at 7:30p on Friday, May 3, in the Auditorium will feature 4 of the Dordt Choral Ensembles: Bella Voce (women's chorus), Canons of Dordt (men's chorus), Chorale, and Concert Choir. The concert will be available on livestream at https://www.dordt.edu/livdedd-events.

<u>DORDT</u>: On Sat., May 4, join Dordt for a concert by the Chamber Orchestra and Campus-Community Band at 7:00p in the Auditorium. Following this concert, the Wind Symphony will present their Iowa Bandmasters Association Preview Concert at 8:30p. We hope you can join us for both concerts to celebrate the achievements of all the students participating in instrumental music at Dordt! The concerts will be available on livestream.

ATLAS OF SIOUX CENTER along with CFE Fundraiser Auction & Dinner will be held Friday, May 3 with the meal (pork loin sandwiches freewill donation) at 5:30p and auction from 6:30-9:00p. Kids movies shown during the auction. Please join us at the New Life Church in Sioux Center.

All funds raised help us to continue helping the hurting in Sioux Center and surrounding communities. If you are unable to attend and you would like to donate, some ideas are: pop, 300 3-section paper plates, or gift cards to cover food costs. We also need 2 volunteers to supervise the kids' movie room, juice boxes and a snack for the movie room (plan on 75 kids). If you would be interested in helping in any way, please call the office (712) 722-4900.