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NEWSLETTER

May 18, 2018



SPRING CONGREGATIONAL MINISTRY MEETING: The annual Spring Congregational Ministry Meeting to celebrate the Lord's gift of ministry in and through First CRC will take place on Sunday, June 3, 2018, at 5:00 pm in the Sanctuary. The Agenda as well as the Elder-Deacon Nominee profiles will be posted on the Church's website next week (Members Section).

GRADUATES OF HIGH SCHOOL & COLLEGE: We would like to celebrate your achievements with you! Please submit your future plans to the church office at office@firstchristianreformed.org by May 27. We will be compiling a list and will be publishing our graduates in June.

CAFE CONNECTIONS: The baristas have perfected their ICED COFFEE just in time to quench your thirst for summer! Stop in and taste the smooth flavor of Snickerdoodle, Cinnamon Maple, and Salted Caramel.

RESIGNATION: The Administrative Board received and accepted the resignation of Kari Davelaar as the *Director of Health & Community Relations* in First CRC – effective May 31, 2018. We are grateful to the Lord for her 8 years of ministry planning and leadership, particularly as she help to make First CRC a more pronounced public presence in the Sioux Falls community. Please take time to thank Kari for her work on behalf of First CRC and, more importantly, for her commitment to the glory of the Lord in all the earth.

MOPS: MOPS is holding a summer Bible study at First CRC this summer! We will meet on Thursdays starting May 31 from 9:30-11:00 am. Childcare will be provided for minimal cost. Also, we are in need of young women childcare workers, ages 14 and up! Ages 14/15 earn \$15 and ages 16+ earn \$20 per meeting. If interested in either, contact Summer Veurink @ 605-743-4780.

PRODUCE TABLE: Everyone loves fresh produce! If you are already starting to plan your garden strategies for the year, why not include an extra plant or two to share? We are again planning on having a produce exchange table available throughout the growing season, and you are invited to bring any extra produce you have to share with others from the congregation. Or maybe you have a bigger vision! Plant an extra row or two and bring your fresh fruits and veggies to the Food Pantry to share with those who are food insecure and don't have an opportunity to have their own garden. This could be a great family project! If you have any questions about the produce table or would like to volunteer to help, contact kari@firstchristianreformed.org.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

CHILDREN'S CHURCH: The last day of Children's Church will be this Sunday, May 20th.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: *VBS Volunteers and Donations:* Come to the Activity Center between services to sign up as a volunteer or to donate items. We need people of all ages and skill levels: decorating, crew leader, crew helper, registration and nursery.

VBS Registration: We would love to have your kids join us this year at Shipwrecked, where kids will learn that Jesus rescues! It will be held June 10th-14th from 6:00-8:15 pm. VBS is for kids ages 4-3rd grade (completed). Online registration is now open and can be found at www.firstchristianreformed.org. Make sure to invite neighbors and friends!

Please contact heather@firstchristianreformed.org with any questions regarding VBS or to sign up to volunteer.



BULLETIN BOARD

1st CRC Newsletter announcements may be sent to office@firstchristianreformed.org. These are due by noon on Wednesday.

BIG SOO: DISCOUNTED AGAIN! Big Soo coupon books have been reduced. Books are \$32 a piece and can be purchased by stopping by the church office! Contact carlye@firstchristianreformed.org with questions.



DEACON'S MINISTRY

May 13, 2017

OFFERING AMOUNT

General Fund	13,976.50
Building Fund	1,355.00
Faith Promise	1,230.00
Ministry Shares	4,478.80
Tuition Support	805.00
GEMS	100.00
TOTAL	21,945.30

May 20: Offering of the Day is for Tuition Assistance. Tuition assistance provides financial support for families who are in need of help with the cost of Christian school tuition for the current academic school year.

May 27: Offering of the Day is for Hills Christian School. Hills Christian School is a small Christian Elementary & Middle School in Hills, MN. Their mission is to educate children to live for God by using their knowledge in service to him.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

May 18-24, 2018

FRIDAY:	10:30 am Senior Circuit
SATURDAY:	7:30 am Men of Integrity
SUNDAY:	8:30/10:00 am Worship/Children's Church 10:00 am Sioux Falls Flourishing Worship 5:00 pm Worship
MONDAY:	10:30 am Senior Circuit
TUESDAY:	10:30 am Senior Circuit 2:00 pm Women's 55+ Bible Study 6:30 pm Pickleball 6:30 pm NAMI Connections
WEDNESDAY:	9:30 am Center of Hope Coffee Break/Men's Life
THURSDAY:	5:45 pm ReFit 7:00 pm Praise Team Practice