



SIoux FALLS, SD

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

October 9-15

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wednesday Night Meal Tonight- Oct 9

Menu: Chicken Noodle Soup, Chili, Hotdogs, Salad Bar, and Cinnamon Rolls

Gluten Free options always available

Fall Sermon Series

Make sure to join us on Wednesday nights again starting back up tonight, October 9 at 6:45pm for Deep Dive as we wrestle with the subject matter of the fall sermon series. Please come into the sanctuary at 6:45pm as the GEMS are finishing their worship and see how this program is growing!

Mark your calendars for a **Special Edition of Deep Dive on Wednesday, October 30!** We will be examining the ballot initiatives, referendums, and amendment proposals that will be appearing on the South Dakota ballot this year and asking ourselves as Christians – how should think on these matters and how would we apply the creational ordering principles to these items. Thank you to all who come on Wednesday nights for great discussion, hard questions, and careful reflection on the matters that impact us each day!

Custodial News

We want to thank God for His goodness and timing as we welcome Isaac Lyon to our Custodial Staff. Isaac brings 8 years of experience in the field, shares a desire to serve others, and serve the Lord. He and his wife Jen have been members of this church for 14 years and their children, Amelia and Wesley, are actively involved in our church as well. Take a moment to welcome Isaac as he makes the transition to our staff on October 14 and continue to encourage and pray for him in this new role.

Defending God's Family Class

We are a monthly gathering aimed at raising awareness of social issues and taking action to support God's design for the family. All are welcome!

Sunday, October 13, 6:30-7:30 PM (runs alongside Jr. High ministry), Fireside room

Topic and Speaker: Call To Freedom-Exposing and healing human trafficking

Senior & Friends

Senior and Friends will meet on Saturday, October 19, 2024 at 9:30 AM in the Fireside Room at 1st CRC. Join us for coffee doughnuts and bring a friend. Dawn Wieking, a highschool English teacher at Sioux Falls Christian, will be our guest speaker. She will share with us what it means to be a Teaching for Transformation school which is a way of embedding a Biblical Worldview into every subject. Dawn brings lots of experience to this subject. She is a graduate of Northwestern College and has a Master's degree as a Reading Teacher Education K-12 from USF.

Walk Up Communion This Week Sunday: Oct 13

Please Note: All the bread is always gluten free

Winter Clothing Drive For Center of Hope

☞ Baby It's Cold Outside ☞...Well, it will be soon! First CRC has partnered with Center of Hope to supply winter gear for the underserved and disadvantaged in our community. **From October 9th to November 30th** we'll have 2 large bins set out at church to collect a variety of cold winter gear for Center of Hope. High-need items include Men's jeans, snowpants, gloves, mittens & blankets. However, they will accept cold weather gear for Men & Women / Boys & Girls of ALL ages. Other needs include snowboots, shoes & general clothing. Items can be new or gently used. Let's clear out those closets! Questions can be directed to Kearsen Nyenhuis (605) 929-2021 or joshandkearsen@gmail.com.

Care Group 6 Potluck

We'll be having a potluck on October 27th, following the second service, in the Activities Center. We'll have pulled pork sandwiches, provided by our Care Group leaders! Last name A-M please bring a side dish; Last name N-Z please bring a dessert. We look forward to seeing you there! -CG6 (Matthew Davelaar, Tim Van Vugt, Di Olson & Kearsen Nyenhuis).

CHURCH FAMILY

Profession of Faith

Join us this Sunday at 10:30am service as Derrek and Katie Vander Leest, son and daughter of Luke & Karla Vander Leest make profession of Faith.

MISSIONS

October Mission Spotlight: Heytsi Family in Ukraine

- Vasay pastors 140 families at New Life Church in Ukraine
- The Heytsi's are parents to 6 children, 2 adopted from Ukraine
- Maranda is a sister to Janna Aukes, a member of our church



[Van Ruler Newsletter- New!](#)

FIRST KIDS

Jill Smith

Mark Your Calendars- Christmas Program

First CRC's Christmas Program will be held Dec 15 at 4:00pm. Preschool through 3rd Grade.

Sing with the Praise Team

Kids Practice to sing with praise and worship team is 9:30-9:45 Oct 13, Oct 20

WORSHIP

Gabby Friez

Hymn of the Month

"All Glory Be to God on High" was written by Nikolaus Decius, a monk who studied under Martin Luther, in 1525. First written in the early part of the Reformation, we use this hymn as a celebration of The Reformation that we observe at the end of the month. As we sing this hymn, we join the voices of the believers that have gone before us as we acclaim the glory of God!

Song of the Month

Our song of the month at the 10:30 service is "Today, Tomorrow and Forever" by Sanctus Real. Written in 2020, this song helps us focus on the faithfulness of God through all of life's circumstances and our response to live and to worship him. This upbeat song is sure to add some celebration to our worship services as we recommit our lives to God each week.

Fall Hymn Sing

Our annual Fall Hymn Sing will be October 20 at 5 pm in the Sanctuary. Come for a time of worship and fellowship as we gather together to bring honor and glory to our Lord and King. Come prepared to shout out your favorites from our Lift Up Your Heats hymnals! We hope to see you there!

HOSPITALITY

Denae Matherly

Wednesday Meals – Upcoming Dates

- **Wednesday, October 9:** Chicken Noodle Soup, Chili, Hotdogs, Salad Bar, and Cinnamon Rolls
- **Wednesday, October 16:** Pizza, Hotdogs, Salad Bar, and Cookies
- **Wednesday, November 6:** Catalyst Therefore Go Eat Tacos Fundraiser

JUNIOR HIGH MINISTRY

Al VanDonkersgoed

JHM

Our next meeting will be October 13 at First CRC from 6:15-7:45. We will pick up on our topic of what it means to belong to Jesus. We will also play some beach ball volleyball, talk about a fundraiser, and have ice cream Sundays.

BIBLE STUDIES

Cole Pleggenkuhle

Young Men's Bible Study Resumes This WEEK

Join us for our Young Men's Bible Study, starting October 11th. Open to men ages 19-45.

- Every other Friday, 6:30-7:30pm AM

We'll be studying "The Beatitudes for Today" book, exploring how these timeless teachings apply to the challenges and opportunities young men face in modern life. All young men are welcome!

To receive a calendar invite and a copy of the study content, please contact Albert at albert@movetosioxfalls.com

CATALYST

Therefore Go and Eat Tacos!

Catalyst will be having its annual Taco Feed Fundraiser on Wednesday, Nov 6. They will be raising money to pay for summer mission trips to SERVE sites all over the country. Last year, we sent over 30 kids to Michigan and California. We'd love to have the ability to do that again and more!

Do You Have The Meats?

Catalyst is looking for a ground beef donation for the Taco Feed for November 6. If you would like to provide roughly up to 160 lbs of ground beef by mid October, please contact Darcy Maas.

DEACON'S MINISTRY

October 13 Ministry Shares

Ministry Shares proves the power of shared resources by helping the individual congregations of the Christian Reformed Church participate in regional and global ministries. The program provides everyone at First CRC the opportunity to fund ministry efforts around our region and all over the world while operating at very high efficiency. With little overhead costs, this important part of the Christian Reformed Church can continue to thrive if active members donate their part.

October 13-Communion Offering- Hope Haven

Hope Haven nurtures independence through a broad range of services for children, adults, and families with unique challenges. The Hope Haven staff values and equips individuals according to their strengths and abilities.

Coming Up: October 20- General Fund

Offering Totals from Last Week

General Fund: \$ 21,662
Ministry Shares: \$ 630
Faith Promise: \$ 670
Building Fund: \$ 477
Tuition Assistance: \$ 270
Union Gospel Mission: \$ 4,282

Weekly Total: \$ 27,991

CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, OCT 9

- **Ad Board Meeting**
5:30–6:30pm
- **Wednesday Night Meal - Soup**
5:30–6:30pm
- **Prayer Meeting**
6–6:30pm
- **Handbell Choir**
6:30–7:30pm
- **GEMS**
6:30–8:30pm
- **Women's Bible Study**
6:30–8:30pm
- **Forum-Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of God**
6:45–8pm
- **Catalyst**
7–9pm

THURSDAY, OCT 10

- **MomCo**
8:30–11am

FRIDAY, OCT 11

- **Young Adult Men's Study**
6:30–7:30am
- **Senior Circuit**
10:30–11:30am

SATURDAY, OCT 12

- **Men of Integrity**
7:30–8:30am

SUNDAY, OCT 13

- **Worship & Communion**
8:30 & 10:30am
- **Children's Church**
8:30 & 10:30am
- **Vocal Choir Rehearsal**
9:45–10:15am
- **Sunday School**
9:45–10:15am
- **Faith Talk for HS**
9:45am–10:15pm
- **Junior High Ministry**
6:15–7:45pm
- **Defending God's Family**
6–8pm

MONDAY OCT 14

- **Church and Offices Closed**

TUESDAY, OCT 15

- **Senior Circuit**
10:30–11:30am

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