



SIoux FALLS, SD

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Feb 5-11

SERMON SERIES

IN ALL THINGS, CHRIST

February 9: Colossians 3:18-4:5 – Christ, The Orienter of All Relationships

The relational capacity of our human existence strives to be both engaging and protective, thoughtful and needed, filled with opportunity and boundaries. There are those relationships that are life-giving, and those that drain our reservoirs. However, when Christ is at the center of all things in our lives, we bring Christ to every person and every circumstance and find that His sufficiency in us is the sufficiency that all relationships long for. With all things Christ in your life, the ability to love, forgive, grow, grieve, laugh, and long for draws on the Source of life that never runs out and pours into others this same life abundant found in Christ. This week we explore what it means to have Christ central in all our relationships and that brings life to all those around us.

Communion- Feb 9

We will be having walk-up communion this Sunday. Communion is now taking place the 2nd Sunday of every month with alternating passing of the elements and coming forward to partake. Please feel free to bring your children up with you if desired or necessary during walk-up communion.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pupit Supply

Next week, Feb 16, we have the privilege of welcoming Pastor Scott Van Voorst from Cornerstone Prison Church to the pulpit.

SIMDEL Children's Education Ministry Info Meeting- Feb 16

SIMDEL is grateful to have been selected by the Deacons to receive the **offering to be given on Sunday, February 16th**. We are also excited to share stories of the lives of children and families that are being transformed through your partnership in this Gospel ministry. Families previously living lives of hopelessness to those beginning to dream of a future that had been unimaginable.

An informational meeting will be held in Classroom #2, in the lower level also on February 16th between morning services. As SIMDEL will not be the recipient of this year's Lent, "Give Up To Give" campaign, we humbly ask your continued generous support of this ministry through this offering.

Prayer Warriors for Our Youth!

The prayer team and youth leaders invite you to become a prayer warrior for one of our High school age students! We have over 70 High School Age Students in our church plus kids that come to attend our youth group! So we need alot of you!

This requires only a comittment to prayer. Each person to sign up will be assigned a student of the same gender. There may be an opportunity to meet with your assigned student at some point in the future as well, but while we are working out the details, we need prayer warriors to sign up! Click on the form below to become a prayer warrior for a High school student or speak to Carol Spunk for details.

Become A Prayer Warrior

Defending God's Family Class

This month's February meeting will be held on Feb 23 instead of Feb 9th. Stay tuned for details.

Northwestern College Choir Concert

On April 3, First Christian Reformed Church will be hosting the Northwestern College Choir from Orange City, IA. We are the first stop on their spring tour! As they embark on their tour, we have the opportunity to host them, feed them, enjoy their music, and encourage them as they head out on their tour!

We need several host homes accomodating 2-4 students each, as well as providing supper that evening, then breakfast and a packed lunch the following morning!

Host NWC Choir Students

Senior & Friends

Senior and Friends will meet on Saturday, February 15, 2025 at 9:30 in the Fireside Room at 1st Church. We are planning to have musical entertainment, but the details are still in process. Please join us for coffee and doughnuts as usual. We will update the details are they are finalized.

Today and Our Daily Bread Devotionals

Did you know that there are apps for Our Daily Bread and Today devotionals? Find them in your app store! Have them with you all the time! These apps have more content available, including an audio version of the daily devotional. You can also access these one your computer. You can even subscribe to have these sent to your house, even a large print version. Check out their websites for more information.

Our Daily Bread

Today Devotional

CHURCH FAMILY

To Our Church Family

Our hearts are full of gratitude for the kindness you have shown to us as we journeyed the last season of Don's life. You blessed us with the abundant life we have in Christ! Your prayers, beautiful cards with words of encouragement, phone calls, text messages and visits have been so appreciated and necessary for us to persevere each day. We humbly say "Thank You" and pray that God will be glorified for great is His faithfulness.

With our love,

Carla Kooiman, Tom & Traci Kooiman, Tricia & Andy Leafblad, Dennis & Kathy Kooiman, Doug & Diane Kooiman

Thank You

The Family of Gary Van Voorst would like to thank our church family for the incredible outpouring of love and support shown to us and Gary recently, and over the course of his illness. What a privilege to belong to this part of the family of God! Claire & Family

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEALS

Upcoming Menu:

February 5: White Chicken Chilli, Lasagna Soup, Cinnamon rolls

February 12: Chicken/Beef Enchiladas with Mexican Rice

Feb 19: Pizza

FIRST KIDS

Feb 16- Next week-No Classes

No Sunday School or Faith Talk classes NEXT Sunday, Feb 16, due to the holiday weekend. There **will** be children's church.

WORSHIP

Women's Chorus

Ladies, do you love to sing? We have the perfect opportunity for you to join other women vocalists to perform a gospel rock version of *This Little Light of Mine* to be sung at both services on Sunday, March 30! Rehearsals are March 2, 9, 16, and 23, 10:00-10:25 am in the Choir Room located downstairs. Come join us for a time of fellowship and praising our Lord through music!

HOSPITALITY

Super Cereal Bowl Sunday!

Yep, you read that right—we're having **cereal in the gym this Sunday between services!**

Need a quick bite? Grab a mini box to go. Want to relive your childhood? Pour a bowl, add some milk, and take a seat. Haven't had cereal since you were a kid? Now's your chance. **Are you a kid?** Also your chance.


Bonus: We've got non-dairy milk and low-sugar options, because adulthood happens. 😊

Hospitality Team Meeting

Join Us! The Hospitality Committee Meeting is Monday, Feb. 17, at 6:00 p.m. in the conference room. Help shape our new name, mission, and plans for the year! Everyone is welcome.

Round Two of Nametag Ordering is Here!

Ready to order your shiny new nametag? Just click the link below.

 [Click here to order your nametag!](#)

Feed the Team: Staff Lunch Opportunity!

Please use the button below to sign up to feed the team lunch (about 12 people) on a Wednesday at noon!

Sign Up to Provide Lunch

A huge thank you to everyone who has brought meals or signed up to bring meals for the staff—we feel so loved (and well-fed) by you! We enjoy every bite. Just a little FYI: You're welcome to sign up with a friend or two and make it a fun community effort if you would like! If whipping up a feast fills your soul, we'll happily help you empty the dishes. But let's be real—we're just as grateful for corn dogs and Doritos. So whatever is on the menu, know that it's truly appreciated.

JUNIOR HIGH MINISTRY

Super Bowl Watch Party

We meet Sunday February 9 at First CRC for a super bowl watch party. The doors open at 5:00 and close at 8:30. We will serve pizza snacks and drinks as well as have other game options and a movie option for those who are not interested in the Super Bowl. Come and hang out with your friends, bring a friend and enjoy a night of fun and games.

CATALYST

No Catalyst Tonight Feb 5 Lock In This Weekend!

Our annual LOCK-IN is this FRIDAY at church! **Please REGISTER** your student using the link below. We will have food, worship, organized games & tourneys, video games & tourneys, board games, movies, karaoke and more.

[Lock-In Registration](#)

Coming Up:

Feb 12: Service Night

Fresh/Seniors - Meals & Care Packages at church

Soph/Juniors - Kids Against Hunger - 5:30 PM departure from church

Feb 19: Senior Testimonies + Worship/Games/Food/Small Groups

DEACON'S MINISTRY

February 9 - 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.

February 9 - Communion Offering- Cornerstone Prison Ministry

Cornerstone Prison Church is a ministry inside the South Dakota State Penitentiary. As in the outside world, the church setting is instrumental to helping men grow as mature and faithful disciples of Jesus Christ.

Upcoming: Feb 16- SIMDEL

Offering Totals from Last Week

General Fund: \$ 13,582
Ministry Shares: \$ 985
Faith Promise: \$ 840
Building Fund: \$ 727
Tuition Assistance: \$ 745
Rock Valley Cadets: \$ 8,133

Weekly Total: \$ 25,011

CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, FEB 5

- **Wednesday Night Meal**
5:30–6:30pm
- **Prayer Meeting**
6:30–7:30pm
- **Cadets**
6:30–8:30pm

THURSDAY, FEB 6

- **MomCo**
8:30–11am

FRIDAY, FEB 7

- **Senior Circuit**
10:30–11:30am
- **Catalyst Lock-In**
6pm–6am Sat

SATURDAY, FEB 8

- **Men of Integrity**
7:30–8:30am

SUNDAY, FEB 9

- **Children's Church**
8:30 & 10:30am
- **Worship & Communion**
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
- **JHM SuperBowl Gathering**
5–8:30pm

MONDAY, FEB 10

- **Senior Circuit**
10:30–11:30am
- **Men's Life Bible Study**
6:45–8pm
- **Monday Night Women's Bible Study**
6:45–8pm

Sunday Worship Folder

Watch Sermons

Submit Prayer Request

Email Church Office

Registrations

Room Reservation Request

TUESDAY, FEB 11

- **Senior Circuit**
10:30–11:30am
Tuesday Afternoon Women's Bible Study
2–3:30pm

WEDNESDAY, FEB 12

- **Wednesday Morning Men's Bible Study**
6:30–7:30am
Coffee Break
9:45–11am
Wednesday Night Meal
5:30–6:30pm
Handbell Choir
6:30–7:30pm
Prayer Meeting
6:30–7:30pm
GEMS
6:30–8:30pm
Women's Bible Study
6:30–8:30pm
Catalyst
7–9pm