

Opportunities to Serve

| | Today – Aug. 9 AM / PM | Next Sunday - Aug.16 AM / PM |
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| Sound | Dale Vander Berg | Trent Geleynse |
| Video | Tim Klein | Phil Van Maanen |
| Power Point | Carl Fictorie | Darlene Reichert |
| Broadcast | Wes Kroeze | Wes Kroeze |

Additional Announcements

Love INC's Fall session of Love & Learn classes are starting Tuesday, August 25, 2020 at Trinity CRC in Rock Valley. They will be offering the following classes

- Faith & Finance
- GriefShare-support group
- Parenting
- Affirming Potential
- Redemptive Compassion

Love INC is looking for volunteers who are willing to serve in various capacities - greeting, making a snack for class nights, childcare and Faith & Finance mentors. If you would like to volunteer or register for these classes, please contact Love INC at 712-476-5990. For more information on classes, please visit our website at <http://loveincsiouxcounty.org/site/our-ministries/>.

The 2020 Tri-State Conference hosted by Bible League International volunteers which was to be held on September 14 and 15 at the First Reformed Church of Sioux Center has been cancelled.

Reminder! You can give a one-time gift or set up recurring giving anytime at <https://www.firstcrc.com/give-online/>.



SEEKING FIRST THE KINGDOM OF GOD
Sunday Worship: 9:30am and 6:00pm

Rev. Kurt Monroe, Pastor
Rev. Carl Klompjen, Service Pastor

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*Welcome to all who have joined us for worship
as we praise the Lord for all the blessings of his grace!*

Worship Notes, August 9, 2020

This morning we will be led in worship by Pastor Carl Klompjen while Pastor Kurt is on vacation. This evening we welcome Rev. Dave Heilman who is a retired CRC pastor currently serving as the advancement coordinator at Inspiration Hills.

The banners in our church represent the liturgical season known as "Trinity Season" or "Ordinary Time." The focus of this season is the work of the Holy Spirit in and through the Church. Our banners feature green for growth and red and gold for vibrancy and hope.

Announcements

The deacons encourage you to continue giving financially during this time as an act of worship and confident hope and trust in the provision of our sovereign God. You can give in person or online at <https://www.firstcrc.com/give-online/>. Or you can mail your offerings to the church at 321 2nd Street SE, Sioux Center, IA 51250. **The offerings for August 9 are designated for the First CRC Ministry Fund, Christian Education Fund, and Hope Haven (Wheelchair Ministry).**

Our Church Education program is looking for substitute teachers. Please contact Sally Vander Tuin (s.vandertuin@hotmail.com) or Tanya Alvarez (t_de_stigter@hotmail.com) if you can help our program in this way.

Our Youth Group will forgo a Labor Day Pancake Breakfast this year due to COVID-19.

Elder and Deacon Nominations: It is now time to prayerfully begin the process of securing elders and deacons for 2021. The Council invites members of the congregation to nominate men who are qualified to serve as elder or deacon. Please place your potential nominee names in the box at the Information Center by today, August 9.

Kings Daughter's is beginning a new 12 lesson series on the Sermon on the Mount by Sinclair B. Ferguson which is a collection of the sayings of Jesus found in the gospel of Matthew which emphasizes His moral teachings. All women are invited to study with us. We meet on the second and fourth Monday evenings of the month. Our study on this topic will begin on Monday, August 10, at 7:00pm in the Cadet Room. For more information, please call Arlis at 722-1908 or Katie at 722-0714.

The Prayer Committee would like to invite the congregation to join together in a time of prayer by phone to lift our hearts with one another for various concerns, and to offer praise to our God. On Tuesday, August 11 at 7pm, men of the congregation are invited to join in on the call, and Wednesday, August 12 at 7pm, women are invited to participate. Phone numbers and prayer sheets will be provided via email. We hope you will join us!

GEMS: Bethel/First CRC GEMS is seeking one 4th grade counselor and two 6th grade counselors. GEMS is a program for girls in 4th-8th grades who learn and discover who God created them to be. Counselors are women who team lead with 1-2 other counselors and GEMS meets twice a month on Wednesday evenings, September-April. If you are interested, please contact Shawn Meyers (meyers@mtcnet.net), Amy Ross (amyjross7@gmail.com) or any current counselor.

From the Christian Education Committee: Harvest season is nearing and along with that will come the opportunity to help Bethel CRC cover silage piles again. We would like to start building our list of names now so that we will be ready to go when it comes time to start working. If you are willing to have your name on the list to be contacted when we have the opportunity to cover silage piles, please text or email Keith Kooistra (712-230-0318; keithkooistra@hotmail.com) and let him know that you would be willing to be on the list. Also, let him know your preferred method of contact (email or text message). All ages from junior high on up are welcome to help.

When the time comes to cover piles, we will be sending out a mass text/email to everyone on the list to see who is available. Keep in mind that we do not get a lot of heads up on these days. It depends on the weather and the farmers. This is a great fundraiser for our Christian Education Fund and we would hate to lose it because we cannot get enough volunteers to help! If you have questions about the work involved in covering the piles, please feel free to contact any member of the Christian Education Committee. We would greatly appreciate all the help we can get in supporting Christian Education!

Church Family

Congratulations and God's blessings to Abbey Bos and Charlie Hubbard who were united in marriage on Friday, August 7! They plan to move to Des Moines for further schooling and teaching.

Prayer Requests

Please pray for the following shut-ins this week: Marty Dekkenga, Dee De Stigter, Lou Kuiper, Kay Sybesma, and Phyllis Wood.

The Outreach Committee would like the congregation to pray for Arbin & Bimala Pokharel.

This week please be in prayer for God's blessings on the Faith CRC congregation and the ministry of Pastors Bob Pollema & Cliff Hoekstra.

Members to pray for the week of August 9: Lynn & Kathy Bleeker, Henry Bonnema, Keith & Mary Bonnema, and Abe Bos.

Prayer Line

The weekly prayer requests that are emailed to our congregation every Thursday can also be heard by calling 712-722-4949. If you have a prayer request to be included in the bulletin, please contact Pastor Kurt Monroe (kurt.a.monroe@zoho.com) or our church office (office@firstcrc.com).

What's Happening This Week {August 9 – August 16, 2020}

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| Today | 9:30am | Morning worship service led by Rev. Carl Klompfen. Offerings will be taken for First CRC Ministry Fund and Christian Education Fund. |
| | 6:00pm | Evening worship service led by Rev. Dave Heilman. An offering will be taken for the Hope Haven (Wheelchair Ministry). |
| Monday | 7:00pm | Elders' Meeting |
| | 7:00pm | Deacons' Meeting – Fireside Room |
| | 7:00pm | King's Daughters – Cadet Room |
| Tuesday | 8:30am | JFA Volunteering |
| Wednesday | 1:30pm | Rebroadcast of AM Worship Service on Channel 12 |
| Next Sunday | 9:30am | Morning worship service led by Rev. Kurt Monroe. An offering will be taken for First CRC Ministry Fund and Christian Education Fund. |
| | 6:00pm | Evening worship service led by Rev. Dr. Nevada DeLapp. An offering will be taken for Tuition Aid. |