

Opportunities to Serve

	Today – Aug. 23 AM / PM	Next Sunday - Aug.30 AM / PM
Sound	Nick Vander Kooi	Phil De Stigter
Video	Brian Vander Berg	Tim Klein
Power Point	Wayne Klein	Jim Bos
Broadcast	Rich Haan	Rich Haan
Ushers	Lisa Dykstra, Eric Eekhoff, David Vander Tuin, Garret Visser	Lisa Dykstra, Eric Eekhoff, David Vander Tuin, Garret Visser

Additional Announcement

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.

Family Visiting Schedule for Tuesday, September 8, 2020

Elder Mark Sybesma	6:30	Jason & Tami Koelewyn
	7:30	Jon & Jana Lammers
	8:30	Derick & Arnola Roos
Elder Ron Rynders	6:30	Jerome De Stigter
	7:30	Cornie & Dolores Rylaarsdam
	8:30	Daryl Kruid
Elder Will Maas	6:30	Eric & Tracy Eekhoff
	7:30	Andrew & Justean Ter Haar
	8:30	Carl & Ellen Klompier
Elder Tim Klein	6:30	Phil & Liz Van Maanen
	7:30	Darren & Stephanie Raih
	8:30	Arnie & Carol Koekkoek

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 Klompier, Service Pastor

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*Welcome to all who have joined us for worship
as we glorify our Triune God!*

Worship Notes, August 23, 2020

This morning we will be led in worship by Rev. Carl Klompier while Pastor Kurt is participating in an installation service for Rev. Phil Westra at Sanborn CRC. This evening Pastor Kurt will lead us in God's Word.

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

Sunday School teachers - Orientation will be held on Sunday, August 30, after the morning service. Please join us in the Fireside Room.

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 23 are designated for the First CRC Ministry Fund, Christian Education Fund, and the Cary Christian Center.**

Our Church Education program is in need of 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.

September Fellowship newsletter items are due today to Ron.Rynders@dordt.edu.

Desperate for Change (40 Days of Prayer for America) – This 40-day devotional is being promoted by our prayer committee. If interested, sign up to get a copy (1 per family) of the book to begin using on September 25. Sign-up at the Information Center or email the church office at office@firstcrc.com to secure a copy. Deadline to sign up is September 6.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE UPDATE: Harvest season is nearing and along with that will come the opportunity for a great fundraiser for our Christian Education Fund, while helping Bethel CRC cover silage piles. If you are willing to have your name on the list to be contacted, please text or email Keith Kooistra (712-230-0318; keithkooistra@hotmail.com). Also, let him know your preferred method of contact (email or text message). More volunteers are needed! All ages from junior high on up are welcome to come help support Christian education and experience some wonderful fellowship!

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.

Sioux Center Christian School begins the 2020-21 school year this Tuesday, August 25. We are excited to welcome over 500 students into our classrooms and ask you to pray that the JOY of learning and living God's Story will fill our hallways and our hearts each day through this school year! THANK YOU for your faithful love and support of our school!

Church Family

We express our sympathy to Lew & Jean Arkema in the passing of Lew's sister, Hermina Rolffs of Sully, IA, on August 16. The funeral was held on Thursday in Sully.

Keep Dee De Stigter in your prayers as she remains on hospice care at Pleasant Acres.

Congratulations to Jana & Jon Lammers on the birth of a baby girl, Evey Lea, on Wednesday, August 19! Big brother Conner welcomes her home.

We also offer our condolences to Joe & Shar Van Schouwen, Dan & Laurie Van Schouwen, and Jake Van Schouwen, in the passing of Shar's mother and Dan & Jake's grandmother, Mavis Betten formerly of Kanawha, IA, on August 19.

Our sympathies go out to Joan Horstman in the passing of her brother-in-law and Janna Wesselius' uncle, Norman Horstman of Sioux Center, who passed away on August 17. The funeral was held on Thursday at Memorial Funeral Home.

Prayer Requests

Please pray for the following shut-ins this week: Dorothy Mouw, Henrietta Ribbens, and Muriel Visser.

The Outreach Committee would like the congregation to pray for Keo & Boonjun Phommarath.

This week please be in prayer for God's blessings on the First Reformed congregation and the ministry of Pastors Travis Else & Jamie Dykstra.

Members to pray for the week of August 23: Ryan Brown, Randy & Arlis Bubke, Jon & Eileen & Edwin Buitter, Kirsten Buitter, Erika & Daniel Ver Steeg, Cody Bultman, Scott & Ginger Culpepper, Micah, Josiah, & Hannah Culpepper.

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 23 – August 30, 2020}

Today	9:30am	Morning worship service led by Rev. Carl Klompier. Offerings will be taken for First CRC Ministry Fund and Christian Education Fund.
	6:00pm	Evening worship service led by Rev. Kurt Monroe. An offering will be taken for Cary Christian Center.
Monday	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. Bernie Haan. An offering will be taken for the Mission and Building Funds.