

SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME
MORNING WORSHIP ~ September 10, 2023 ~ 9:30 AM
First Christian Reformed Church, Sioux Center, Iowa

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

Prelude: *"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"*
"Gaelic Morning"
"The God of Abraham Praise"

Phillip Keveren
Dan Forrest
Fernando Ortega

Welcome

*Hymn of Preparation: **"Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above" LUYH #572:1,2,4,5**

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

*Call to Worship

Pastor: The earth is the Lord's, for he made it:
People: Come, let us adore him.
Pastor: Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness:
People: Come, let us adore him.
Pastor: The mercy of the Lord is everlasting:
People: Come, let us adore him.
Pastor: Lord, open our lips.
People: And our mouths shall proclaim your praise.

*God's Greeting

Pastor: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Pastor: Grace, mercy, and peace are yours, from God the Father Almighty,
from the Lord Jesus, and from the Holy Spirit.
People: Amen!

*Hymn of Praise: **"Earth and All Stars" LUYH #271:1,3,6**
(Young children are invited to Children and Worship)

GOD RECONCILES US TO HIMSELF

Prayer of Confession
Assurance of Pardon
Song of Assurance: **"Surely It Is God Who Saves Me" SANC #74 (chorus only)**
God's Will for Our Lives
*Song of Response: **"Surely It Is God Who Saves Me" SANC #74 (chorus only)**

GOD COMES TO US THROUGH HIS WORD

Prayer for Illumination
Reading of Scripture: Genesis 37:1-2a (Old Testament p. 42)
Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God!
Sermon: *THE GENERATIONS OF JACOB: THESE ARE THE GENERATIONS*
*Song of Response: **"Our God Will Go Before Us" 4 vs.**

WE RESPOND IN PRAYER AND THANKSGIVING

Prayers of the People
Offertory: *"Dearest Jesus, at Your Word"*
Offerings: (1) First CRC Ministry Fund; (2) Christian Education Fund

Michael Burkhardt

GOD SENDS US INTO THE WORLD

*Hymn of Dedication: **"I Will Exalt" LUYH #37:1-2 (PFAS 145C)**
*Sending and Benediction
Brief Presentation about ESA's from Christian Education Committee
*Postlude: *"Hymn to Joy"*

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**indicates that those who are able are invited to stand*

Worship Leader: Rev. Kurt Monroe
Organist: Emily Sybesma
Pianist: Jennifer Monroe

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This evening's combined service will be held at Covenant CRC.