

Opportunities to Serve

	Today – September 17	Next Sunday – September 24
Coffee/Juice Servers	Mark & Carol Bandstra Nelvin & Janice Brons Jon & Eileen Buiters	Harlan & Maria Muilenburg Jim & Glenda Bos Marlene Broek Shay Muilenburg
Greeters AM	Jerry & Shirley Isakson Jon & Jana Lammers Duane & Rose Koele Wes & Denise Kroeze Harlan & Maria Muilenburg	Kevin & Deb Hulstein Adam & Angelina Kraayenbrink Barb Mantel Randy & Marsha Meyer Will & Joyce Maas
PM		
Upstairs		
Sound	Phil De Stigter	Ross Vander Berg
Video	Cheney Vander Berg	Phil Van Maanen
Power Point	Darlene Reichert	Jim Bos
Ushers	Tyler Knobloch, Rich & Stacy Koele, David Vander Tuin	Tyler Knobloch, Rich & Stacy Koele, David Vander Tuin
Children & Worship	Teacher: Sarah Sj Helpers: Hailey K, Elsie VT	Teacher: Sarah Sj Helpers: Ana M, Sophia F
Rover	Derick Roos	Drew De Vries
Nursery	A.M. P.M.	A.M. P.M.
	Justean TH Sally VT Nicole R Arnola R Sydney F Elsie VT Taryn Kn	Heidi O Kailee D Lindsey F Liz VM Kira O Leah VM Parker VR
INFANTS & TODDLERS are welcome to come to the Toddler nursery.		
Bus Driver/Asst	Loren De Stigter / Garret Visser	Dean Reichert / Keith Bonnema
Weekend Janitors	Dean & Darlene Reichert	Tim & Mel Klein
Wednesday Night Meals	Sept. 20 - Servers: Sally VT, Tami K, Heidi O, Krista S Clean-up: Mark Sj, Phil VM, Denise K, Kevin H	Sept. 27 - Servers: Karen T, Sarah Sj, Lora DV, Rachel H Clean-up: Dale VB, Jerry DV, Ted H, Tim K

Thank You

The Banquet is blessed to have many wonderful volunteers and donors. Thank you for your gift of lots of school supplies and plastic containers made on August 17 for Project SOS. Your gifts are truly making a difference in the lives of children. You are a blessing to The Banquet.

~Mary Hays Reichelt, Special Events Coordinator for The Banquet in Sioux Falls



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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 First CRC as we unite as the body of Christ to worship our Redeemer God! If you do not have a church home, we invite you to join with us regularly. Please join us for coffee, juice, and fellowship after our morning service in the fellowship hall. Two tables are set up near the fireplace in the fellowship hall for senior members who would like to sit during their fellowship time.

Worship Notes ~ Sunday, September 17, 2023

This morning our worship service will be led by Rev. Kurt Monroe and will include the baptism of Lucas James Klein, son of Tim & Reba and brother to Dawson. This evening we welcome Rev. Duane Tinklenberg from Bethel CRC as he opens God's Word to us.



A Children and Worship program is provided for children 3-5 years of age during the morning service. Children of visiting families are welcome! Our helpers will greet the children in the back of the sanctuary and lead them to our worship center. Parents are asked to pick up their children after the service in Room 8 upstairs.

Our offerings for September 17 are designated for our Ministry Fund, Christian Education Fund, Denominational Pledge, and ReFrame Ministries (formerly Back to God Ministries).

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

Please submit all items for the October Fellowship to ron.rynders@dordt.edu today!

Adult choir - All interested singers, 9th grade and older, are invited to join the choir at 8:30 on Sunday mornings in the sanctuary.

Classis lakota will meet this Tuesday, September 19, at Amistad Cristiana in Sioux Center with Pastor Kurt, elder Joel Sikkema and deacon Jevon Groenewold attending.

Don't miss our Wednesday night meal this week! Our menu includes: Loaded baked potato bar, lettuce salad, rolls, and fruit crisps. Serving is from 5-6:30pm. A suggested donation of \$3/person or \$12/family is appreciated. We are looking for donations of any kind of fruit crisp for this meal. Please contact the church office (office@firstcrc.com; 722-0717) or sign up at the information center by this coming Monday if you can help.

Care Groups 4A (Klein/Vander Bergs) and 4B (Davelaars/De Kruyf) are having a progressive supper this Saturday, September 23. The evening will start at the Ministry Building at 5:00pm. If you are new to our church, you are welcome to join us! Just contact Amy VB (712-441-4530) or Sheila D (712-441-5777) for details.

Members of the Outreach Committee plan to attend the 3:30pm worship service of the Amistad congregation on September 24. We would like to invite any interested members of First CRC to join us in worship with our Spanish speaking brothers and sisters in Christ. Translation services are available. Please let Jon Buiter (712-441-3859) or another member of the Outreach Committee know if you plan to attend, so that we can give Amistad a heads up of how many people might be coming.

Adult Education: Following our Wednesday night meal on September 27, delegates and representatives from First CRC to synod 2023 will provide a review of their time at synod, a summary of its decisions, and an idea of what lies ahead for synod 2024. The class will begin at 6:30. Everyone is welcome to attend!

HOST COLLEGE STUDENTS: Our congregation is encouraged to invite college students to their homes. Members/college students may sign up at our information center.

Prayer Volunteers: Our prayer committee is looking for additional Sunday evening prayer leaders. Please sign up at the information center if you are willing to assist in this way.

Have you ever dreamed of learning to play organ? The Worship Committee encourages you to take lessons! The Foundation Committee is eager to support the cost of beginning organ lessons by providing Foundation funds. Please contact Emily Sybesma (sybm@mtcnet.net) for details.

Do you enjoy listening to inspirational Christian music? If so, please mark your calendars for "**An Evening of Praise**" on **October 6**. Bible League International (BLI) Ambassadors are sponsoring a music concert at the B.J. Haan Auditorium at Dordt University at 7 p.m. The groups that will be performing are Four for Him, the Klaasens, and Ensemble Royale. There will also be a featured six-handed piano arrangement performed

by Trio BDT. A free will offering will be taken for BLI. This year BLI is celebrating its 85th anniversary. Every \$5.00 raised will cover the cost of putting a Bible written in a language that they can understand in the hands of people around the world. Please invite your friends and family to "An Evening of Praise." Everyone is welcome!

Church Family

Please pray for John Thompson and his family as John has been diagnosed with a heart valve issue and will be undergoing open heart surgery probably in mid-October. Earlier this summer John also experienced sudden onset hearing loss, losing most of the hearing in his right ear. Please pray for the restoration of his hearing as well.

Prayer Requests

Please pray for the following homebound members this week: Cody Bultman, Dorothy Nibbelink, Phyllis Wood, and Dinah Ter Horst.

Members to pray for the week of September 17: Sheila De Stigter; Bill De Stigter; Drew De Vries; Jerry & Lora De Vries; Tom & Myrna De Vries.

The Outreach Committee would like the congregation to pray for Sos & Kara Maletoungou.

This week please be in prayer for God's blessings on the Lebanon Christian Reformed congregation and the ministry of Pastor Bob Drenten.

<i>Family Visiting Schedule for Monday, October 2, 2023</i>		
Elder John Wesselius	6:30pm	Marvin & Esther Van Donselaar
	7:30pm	Dean & Darlene Reichert
	8:30pm	Dione Visser
Elder Joel Sikkema	6:30pm	Steve & Deanne De Jong
	7:30pm	Keith & Brittney Kooistra
	8:30pm	Randy & Marsha Meyer
Elder Jerry De Groot	6:30pm	David & Sally Vander Tuin
	7:30pm	Gary & Sandy Draayer
	8:30pm	Corinne Hentges
Elder Brian Davelaar	6:30pm	Jan & Joan van Vliet
	7:30pm	Erik & Barb Hoekstra
	8:30pm	Eldon & Wilma Vander Berg
<i>Church members are encouraged to contact their care group elder any time they have a need.</i>		

Youth Group

Sept. 20 – Scavenger Hunt | Sept. 27 – Connexions

ETM~ 7th and 8th Grades

Come to our first meeting tonight, September 17, at 7:30pm in our ministry building.

What's Happening This Week {September 17 – September 24}

Today	8:30am	Adult Choir rehearsal – Sanctuary
	9:30am	Morning worship service led by Rev. Kurt Monroe, including the baptism of Lucas Klein, with an offering for Ministry Fund, Christian Education Fund, & Denominational Pledge.
	10:45am	Church Education
	10:45am	Women's Sermon Discussion – Room 3
	6:00pm	Evening worship service led by Rev. Duane Tinklenberg, with an offering for ReFrame Ministries.
	7:30pm	ETM – Upper Level Ministry Building
Monday	7:00pm	Worship Committee Meeting – Fireside Room
Tuesday	9:00am	Classis Iakota Meeting at Amistad Cristiana
	9:00am	SCCS's Moms in Prayer – Nursery
	9:30am	Grandmother's Moms in Prayer – Fireside Room
	12:00pm	College/Career Moms in Prayer – Fireside Room
Wednesday	6:00am	Men's Life Bible Study – Council Room
	12:00pm	Men's Life Bible Study – Upper Level Ministry Building
	12:30pm	JOY Society – Fireside Room
	1:30pm	Rebroadcast of AM Worship Service on Channel 12
	5:00pm	Wednesday Night Meal – Fellowship Hall
	6:00pm	Gleaners Forum – Lesson 1 – Fireside Room
	7:00pm	Youth Group – Scavenger Hunt
Thursday	7:00pm	Friendship Bible Class – Fellowship Hall
	10am-4pm	Dordt Concert Choir Retreat – Sanctuary, Fellowship Hall
Saturday	5:00pm	Care Groups 4A/4B Gathering – Upper Level Ministry Bldg
Next Sunday	8:30am	Adult Choir rehearsal – Sanctuary
	9:30am	Morning worship service led by Rev. Kurt Monroe, including the participation of the Dordt Concert Choir, with an offering for Ministry Fund and Christian Education Fund.
	10:45am	Church Education
	10:45am	Women's Sermon Discussion – Room 3
	3:30pm	Attend worship service at Amistad Cristiana
	6:00pm	Evening worship service led by Rev. Kurt Monroe, with an offering for Building and Mission Funds.