

Opportunities to Serve

	Today – September 6	Next Sunday – September 13
Coffee/Juice/Tea Servers	None – Brunch Served	Jon & Jana Lammers Keith & Brittney Kooistra Rich & Stacy Koele
Greeters AM	John & Kendra Thompson Glen & Anita Van Bruggen	Joe & Shar Van Schouwen Imelda Vargas
PM	Kyle & Marissa Westra Marlene Broek	Todd & Leah Zuidema Paul & Kim Brenner
Upstairs AM/PM	Denny & Sharon De Kruyf	Kirsten Buiters
Sound	Matt Van Roekel	Trent Geleynse
Video	Cheney Vander Berg	Isaiah deRegt
Power Point	Wayne Klein	Jim Bos
Ushers	Tyler Knobloch, Ron Rynders, Kaelyn Sikkema, David Vander Tuin	Tyler Knobloch, Ron Rynders, Kaelyn Sikkema, David Vander Tuin
Rover	John Thompson	Wes Kroeze
Nursery	A.M. P.M. Nicole R Reba K Sally VT Sheila D Abbie VO Andi T Adalade O	A.M. P.M. Stacy K Steph R Tami K Tracy E Kira O Addie G Anastasia F
INFANTS & TODDLERS are welcome to come to the Toddler nursery.		
Bus Driver/Asst	Phil De Stigter Derick Roos	Wes Kroeze Will Maas
Weekend Janitors	Dean & Darlene Reichert	Tim & Mel Klein
PM Prayer Leader	Joel Sikkema	Charles Veenstra
Wednesday Night Meals	Sept 9 - Servers: Stacy K, Bonnie DS, Rachel R, Lindsey F Cleanup: Rich K, Phil DS, Jason K, Geoffrey F	Sept 16 - Servers: LeeAnn M, Carla N, Joyce M, Sarah Sj Cleanup: Eric E, Denny N, Will M, Daniel F



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

Rev. Kurt Monroe, Pastor

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Welcome to First CRC as we celebrate what God has done for us in Jesus Christ!

If you do not have a church home, we invite you to join with us regularly. Please join us for coffee, tea, juice, and fellowship after our morning service in the fellowship hall. Two tables are set up near the fireplace in the fellowship hall for members who would like to sit during their fellowship time.

Worship Notes ~ Sunday, September 6, 2026

Today our worship services will be led by Pastor Kurt Monroe. This evening will include the celebration of the Lord’s Supper. We invite all who have been ingrafted into Christ’s church by baptism and who seek the nourishment and sustenance of our Lord’s Supper to join us in our celebration of the sacrament. A gluten free option near the mailboxes is available to pick up before you enter the sanctuary.

Our offerings for September 6 are designated for the Ministry Fund, Christian Education Fund, and Samaritan’s Purse.

We will celebrate the sacrament of baptism of Josiah Vander Kooi, son of Nick & Shannon Vander Kooi, next Sunday morning, September 13.

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

You are invited to a BEGINNING OF THE SCHOOL YEAR BRUNCH CELEBRATION today following the morning service. Work groups 6 & 7 will assist. Enjoy some egg bakes, rolls, muffins, French toast bakes and fruit! Sausage links, beverages, a gluten free dish, and tableware will also be provided. All guests and college students are welcome!



Hearing Assistance: Please ask someone at the sound booth for a receiver device.

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

Come out and support our **Youth Group at their Labor Day pancake breakfast** tomorrow morning from 7:30 to 9:30 here at First CRC. They'll be serving pancakes with toppings of strawberries/chocolate chips, sausages, juice, and coffee. Freewill donations will be received in support of their 2027 mission trip.

Don't miss our first Fall Wednesday night meal this week! Our menu includes: Beef burger, brat burger, hot dog; broccoli salad, baked beans, chips, and ice cream. Serving is from 5-6:30pm. A suggested donation of \$3/person or \$12/family is appreciated.

Come and cheer on our **council members and youth group** at an outdoor **kickball game** at 6:45pm, following our Wednesday meal this week at Sioux Center Christian School!

Cadet Sub Sales are underway. This has been our primary fundraiser each year and traditionally covers ALL program costs. We have 18 Cadets this year with many exciting activities planned. If you would like to support our Cadet program, but have not been contacted, **please get in touch with a Cadet** (4th-8th grade boys) or myself, Mark Sjoerdsma (920) 296-1669. If sub sandwiches are not on the menu, donations are always welcome! **Final orders are due September 9 at the Wednesday Night Meal.**

Help with Silage Piles for Christian Education: Harvest season is nearing and along with that will come the opportunity to help **cover silage piles** as a fundraiser for our Christian Education Fund. Please let Cathy Feenstra know if you would be willing to **volunteer to work** on the piles. We also need people to **donate food** for the workers. If you are willing to help with either of these requests, please contact Cathy Feenstra (feenstra@mtcnet.net) or 712-441-7156). Let her know your preferred method of contact (email or text message). We want to be ready when the time comes to start covering piles. All ages from junior high on up are welcome to help. Signup also at the information center.

Our Sunday School program for age 3 - 8th grade will begin on Sunday, September 13. Parents received information in their church mailboxes. If your children are planning to participate in Sunday School this year, but you did not receive a letter, please contact Katherine Fulkerson at katherine.b.fulkerson@gmail.com or Rachel Byars at rchlvr@yahoo.com.

Next Sunday, September 13, Children & Worship will resume during our morning service, and **high school catechism classes** will begin.

Note From Elders: The elders have decided to offer a student membership that will provide an opportunity for college students to be a part of our congregation in a meaningful way. This does not replace their membership in their home church, but allows them to come under the care of the local church while away from their home church. To see more

details about this type of membership, visit our church website and click on 'Connect' at the top, then click on 'College Students'.

WANTED: A **GEMS counselor** for our First/Bethel GEMS Girls' Club this fall. Contact Lisa Dykstra (712-449-5599) or the church office (office@firstcrc.com) soon for more info.

Church Family

We express our Christian sympathy to the family and friends of Cody Bultman on his passing on Monday, August 31. The funeral was held here on Thursday with Pastor Kurt officiating.

Give thanks that Elijah Rose's scans and tests revealed no internal injuries, bleeding, or broken bones after his dirt bike accident on August 30. Pray for healing for Elijah.

Pray for healing and relief from pain for Evelyn Vis at Crown Pointe who recently fell and broke some ribs. Also, pray for a peaceful transition for her in a new room (619).

Remember Conner Lammers, son of Jon & Jana Lammers, who broke both bones in his lower leg on August 28 and had to have a plate put in. Give thanks that he was able to go to school this past week with an inflatable boot and a walker.

Cliff Soodsma will have more neck fusion surgery on Wednesday, September 16.

Prayer Requests

Please pray for the following homebound members this week: Henrietta Den Besten, Derold De Kock, George Veenendahl, and Sherm Wissink.

Members to pray for the week of September 6: Rich & Linda Haan; Jeff Heldt; Ted & Rachel Hengeveld; Jim & Corinne Hentges; Erik & Barb Hoekstra

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

This week please be in prayer for God's blessings on the Faith Christian Reformed Church and the ministry of Pastor Bob Pollema.

Youth Group

Sept 7 – Pancake Breakfast
Sept 9 – Kickball with Council
Sept 16 – ConneXtions

What’s Happening This Week (September 6 – September 13)

Today	9:30am	Morning worship service led by Rev. Kurt Monroe, with an offering for Ministry Fund and Christian Education Fund.
	10:45am	Beginning of the School Year Brunch – Fellowship Hall
	6:00pm	Evening worship service led by Rev. Kurt Monroe, including the celebration of the Lord’s Supper, with an offering for Samaritan’s Purse.
Monday	7:30am	Youth Group’s Labor Day Pancake Breakfast – Fell. Hall
Tuesday	9:30am	Grandmother’s Moms in Prayer Group – Fireside Room
	12:00pm	College/Career Moms in Prayer Group – Fireside Room
	6:30pm	Family Visiting
Wednesday	7:00pm	Education Committee Meeting – Council Room
	7:00pm	Worship Committee Meeting – Fireside Room
	1:30pm	Rebroadcast of AM Worship Service on Channel 12
	5:30pm	Wednesday Night Meal – Fellowship Hall
	6:00pm	Adult Bible Study – Fireside Room
	6:45pm	Youth Group Kickball with Council – SCCS
	7:00pm	GEMS Kickoff – Fields of Fun
Thursday	6:30pm	Women’s Bible Conversations – Fireside Room
	7:00pm	Friendship Bible Class – Fellowship Hall
Next Sunday	9:30am	Morning worship service led by Rev. Kurt Monroe, including the baptism of Josiah Vander Kooi, with an offering for Ministry Fund and Christian Education Fund.
	10:45am	All Church Education Classes Begin
	10:45am	Christian Education Committee Meeting – Office
	11:00am	Women’s Sermon Discussion – Room 3
	11:00am	College Sermon Discussion – Upper South Level Min Bldg
	6:00pm	Joint CRC evening worship service here led by Rev. Kurt Monroe and Pastor Mark, with an offering for Mid-Sioux Opportunity.

Bulletin Reminder: If you have something to submit for the weekly bulletin, please send it to the church office, office@firstcrc.com, no later than 10:30AM on Thursdays.

Family Visiting for Tuesday, September 8, 2026

Elder Denny Nibbelink	6:30pm	Justin & Rachel Byars
	7:30pm	Jim Mouw
	8:30pm	Tim Rose
Elder Tom De Vries	6:30pm	Bill De Stigter
	7:30pm	Brad & Libby Van Bruggen
	8:30pm	Karissa Roghair
Elder Todd Zuidema	6:30pm	Sandy Draayer
	7:30pm	Cornie Rylaarsdam
Elder Kevin Timmer	6:30pm	Cody & Erika Vander Berg
	7:30pm	Mike & Heidi Ochsner
	8:30pm	Naomi De Stigter
Church members are encouraged to contact their care group elder anytime they have a need.		

ReFrame Ministries

Kids Corner Devotions: A Safe Place - Check out this week’s kids’ devotion at www.kidscorner.net. In Matthew 25:31-40, Jesus taught us that part of following him is helping others feel safe and comforted. Small acts of kindness may seem ordinary, but they can show God’s extraordinary love. Check out the new Kids Corner Devotions app at <https://kidscorner.net/app>

Groundwork: Faith that Endures - We’ve heard the call in Hebrews to stay close to Jesus. How do we cultivate a lasting faith? Join Groundwork as we study Hebrews 10:19-12:3 to learn why community and the testimony of fellow believers are essential to remaining faithful and cultivating a faith that endures through the difficult seasons in life. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork’s weekly emails for future episodes.