

Community Announcements Continued...

- **Cornerstone Prison Church Annual Banquet** – Mon., Apr. 1, at Trinity CRC in Rock Valley. Doors open 6, banquet begins 6:30 p.m. RSVP by calling Trinity CRC at 476-5292 or website: www.cornerstonepcsd.org. Freewill offering. If you are unable to attend, please send donation to: Cornerstone Prison Church, C/O Dave Vande Kamp, P.O. Box 88708, Sioux Falls, SD 57109 or donate online www.cornerstonepcsd.org.
- **Hope Haven's Annual Benefit Auction** - Fri., Apr. 5 at TeSlaa Trucking in Hull. Help support individuals with disabilities by attending our **Buy it Now opening at 5 p.m.**, followed by our **Live Auction at 5:30 p.m.** Choose from over 450 items for all ages to bid on – John Deere Gator, Youth ATV 4-Wheeler, Simplicity Lawn Tractor, South Africa Safari Hunting Trip, meat bundles, electronics, power tools, trips, concerts, grills, toys/games, gift cards, and so much more! For a sneak peek of the items, check out our online catalog by visiting: www.hopehaven.org.
- **NISO's Spring Concert** – Tues., Apr. 9, 7:30 p.m. in the BJ Haan Aud. on Dordt's campus. This concert features a guest artist who is well known to our NW IA community. To conclude our concert season, the spring performance includes not only two enchanting pieces of music but also a symphony for organ featuring Dordt's own Dr. Carrie Groenewold. Tickets available at the door, or online through ticketleap. \$20 adults, \$6 students (buy 1, get 1 free). <https://nisoia.ticketleap.com/spring-concert/dates/Apr-09-2024> at 0730PM
- **Love INC of Greater O'Brien County** is offering new classes Thurs. evenings, Apr. 11–June 20, 6:20-7:30 p.m. Classes include: Finance, Griefshare, Moving Forward and Bible Study. Open to the public! Call 324-9707 to register.

Sunday, March 24, 2024

Welcome to worship this Palm Sunday. As we follow Jesus in to Jerusalem, the city of his death but also his resurrection, may we experience the wonder of his love.

Today at First

Pastor Brian Dunn leads us in worship today. C. G. #3 hosts the coffee fellowship.

Next week, Pastor Brian Dunn will lead our services. C. G. #3 hosts coffee time.

Our Church Family

Happy Birthday to Pastor Brian, who will celebrate his birthday on Sat., March 30.

Nursery Today Ethan & Avery VH, Boden K. **3-29** Andrea H., Mya H., Tate D.

Valet Parking Today & Good Friday Jon Nieuwendorp **Mar. 31** Tom Van Dyke

Sound Today & Good Friday Cory/Jackson/Ben **Mar. 31** Bolkema/Jon/Anthony

Praise Team Today Lacey, Angela, Jevon, Shane **3-31** Missy, Char, Dave, Shane, Gus

Cookies Mar. 31 Chris P., Joellen S., Kathy V. **4-7** Helen VD, Jill VE, Avery VH

Offerings only for: Gen. Fund, Christian Ed., Above Quota Missions & Classical Min. Shares. Put in offering box, Treasurer's box, or mail to church (901 9th Street).

Please make note of the following dates/times for our Easter Services

Good Friday (Communion) Service – Friday, March 29, 7 PM

Easter Sunrise Service – Sunday, March 31, 7:30 AM with breakfast to follow.

Easter Worship Service – Sunday, March 31, 9:30 AM

NO Sunday Evening Worship on Easter Sunday.

First CRC Announcements:

- **Listening devices** are on the welcome desk.
- **The council is asking the congregation** for nominations to consider for **Elder & Deacon**. We need to elect 2 elders and 2 deacons. Names can be placed in the Clerk's box by the council room or given to your Care Group Elder.
- **The Reflector will be printed this week.** If you have anything you would like to include, please email it to church (firstcrc@hotmail.com) by Tue. noon. Thanks!

Activities This Week

Sun.	10:45 AM	Catechism & Sunday School Classes meet
	11:00 AM	Choir practice
	5:00 PM	Evening Worship Service
Mon.	6:00 AM	Spring Bible Study on Prayer
Tues.	6:30 PM	Spring Bible Study on Prayer
Wed.	9:30 AM	Coffee Break Bible Study Lesson 9
Fri.	7:00 PM	Good Friday (Communion) Service

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- **Unity Meal** – Our church has been asked to help serve the Sheldon Unity Meal on Mon., Apr. 15. All ages are urged to consider signing up – what a great opportunity to be a blessing while sharing the love of our church and our Savior. A sign-up sheet is on the welcome desk in the narthex.
- **Interested in membership or Making Profession of Faith at First CRC?** Membership and Profession of Faith are biblical expressions of our public walk with Christ. “For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others.” (Rom. 12:4-5). “If you declare with your mouth ‘Jesus is Lord,’ and believe in your heart God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.” (Rom. 10:9). If you are interested in making profession of faith, or becoming a member here at First CRC, please contact Pastor Brian for details. Classes will begin soon; time/date based on availability of those interested.
- **Book Club** – Our next book is *The Boys in the Boat* by Daniel James Brown. The #1 *New York Times* – best-selling story about the American Olympic rowing triumph in Nazi Germany – from the author of *Facing the Mountain*. For readers of *Unbroken*, out of the depths of the Depression comes an irresistible story about beating the odds and finding hope in the most desperate of times – the improbable, intimate account of how nine working-class boys from the American West showed the world at the 1936 Olympics in Berlin what true grit really meant. We will meet on Wed., June 5 to discuss the book. Please consider joining us!

Western Christian School Announcements:

- **8th Grade Day – Thurs., Apr. 4.** Are you ready for high school? We would like to welcome all 8th grade students/parents to Western Christian High School. We will serve a free supper 5:15-6:15 p.m. and the program will start at 6:15 p.m. in the Event Ctr. We ask that parents & students attend 8th Grade Day together. If you have any questions, please contact Brad Vis by cell (605) 359-5704 or email brad.vis@westernchristianhs.com.

CRC 2024 Yearbook – If you would like your own copy of the 2024 CRC Yearbook, there are several ways you can obtain one.

1. You can download your own copy for \$7. Go to www.faihaliveresources.org and click on “Other CRC Resources”.
2. You can order a regular copy for \$12. Do the same as above
3. You can order a spiral bound copy for \$13. Do the same as above.
4. Call/email the secretary 324-2374, firstcrc@hotmail.com and say which version you want, regular or spiral bound. An order will be placed Mar. 27.

Minnikota Youth 14th Annual Jr. High (6th– 8th grade) Retreat – Apr. 19-21 at Inspiration Hills. Join other junior high students at this retreat designed for you! Worship, speakers, games, talent show, service, and small groups will be on the agenda. All registrations & forms, (on welcome desk) are due by **April 1st.** **All** payments due with registrations. No late registrations – only first 110 students accepted due to new policies @ Inspiration Hills! For more information, contact Lee De Groot degrootlee@gmail.com or (712) 470-4244.

Community Announcements:

- **NCC has a Student Bible Study that meets every Tues. night on campus.** If you would be willing to donate bars/cookies/snack mix for 6 wks for about a doz. students during Mar. & Apr., please sign up on the welcome desk.
- **Conquering Cancer for O’Brien County:** Pizza Ranch Impact Night at Sheldon Pizza Ranch Mon., Mar. 25, 5-8 p.m. Pizza Ranch Impact Night at Primghar Pizza Ranch Tues., Mar. 26, 5-8 p.m.
- **Kiwanis Good Friday Breakfast – Fri., Mar. 29, 6:30 a.m.** at the Sheldon Middle School. The Scheaffer family will provide music/devotions. Breakfast catered by Cooks Café. Cost of the meal is \$12.

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Morning Worship – Pastor Brian Dunn

9:30 AM

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Evening Worship – Pastor Brian Dunn

5:00 PM

Opening Service

Children Sing **“Hosanna” “King of Kings”**
 Call to Worship
 Opening Prayer
 *Opening Hymn: **“The Glorious Gates of Righteousness”** vs. 1-3, 5, 7-8
 *God’s Greeting/Mutual Greeting
 *Song of Praise: **“Hosanna (Praise is Rising)”**

Service of Reconciliation

Silent Prayer of Confession
 Assurance of Pardon
 God’s Will for Life

Service of the Word

Song of Preparation: **“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”**
 Prayer of Illumination
 Scripture Reading: **Zechariah 9:9-17**
 Sermon Title: ***Behold, Your King is Coming***
 Prayer for Application
 *Song of Praise: **“Ride On, Ride On in Majesty**

Service of Dedication

Congregational Prayer
 Offering
 *Song of Dedication: **“Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing”**
 *Benediction
 *Doxology: **“Glory Be to the Father”**

**Please stand, if able.*

We Gather to Worship

Call to Worship
 Silent Prayer
 *Opening Hymn: **“The Spacious Heavens Declare”**
 *God’s Greeting
 *Responsive Affirmation of Faith: **Nicene Creed**
 *Song of Praise: **“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”**
 Pastoral Prayer

We Hear God’s Word

Hymn of Preparation: **“The Church’s One Foundation”**
 Scripture Passage: **John 16:4-15**
 Sermon Title: ***The Spirit’s Work***
 Prayer of Application

We Respond in Faith

*Song of Dedication: **“Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God”**
 *Benediction/Blessing
 *Doxology: **“Glory Be to the Father”**

**Please stand, if able.*