

Community Announcements continued...

- **Choose to Keep Going Women's Conference** – Sat., May 11, 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. at Faith Community Church in Sheldon. (506 8th Street). Worship, Concert, Real Stories, God's Word with Jill Miller, Laura Pedersen, Rachel Scott, and Aria Stiles. Tickets - \$30. Purchase online at chooseministry.com/tour or get your ticket at Faith Community Church or Touch of Hope in Sheldon.
- **New Roots Ministry Workshop** – Do you ever feel reluctant in personally sharing your Good News? At a 5-hour Sat. workshop in Sioux Falls, let's dig into the Word, learn to express our personal God-stories, and then interact with those who may be struggling without Him. Gain a "I-can-do-that" feeling, causing you to feel more natural in speaking spiritually with those you know. For info, dates, or to sign-up for Everyday-Ambassadors Practicum, visit www.sfnewroots.com/our-ministries.
- **Mozart Requiem** – The Sioux County Oratorio Chorus, joined by Northwestern College's A Cappella Choir, will be presenting Mozart's *Requiem* – one of the most powerful and beloved choral works of all time! Under the direction of Dr. Thomas Holm, and featuring orchestra and professional soloists, the concert will be presented on Sat., Apr. 27, 7:30 p.m. in Christ Chapel at Northwestern College. Tickets for adults are \$15, in advance, \$20 at the door and \$5 for students. Advance tickets can be purchased at Northwestern's music office in Orange City, the Dordt music office in Sioux Center, Evie's Hallmark in Sioux Center, and Windmill Park Jewelers in Orange City.

Sunday, April 14, 2024

Welcome to worship in the name of the God of life, the risen Jesus, and the Holy Spirit who empowers our discipleship. Amen

Today at First

Pastor Brian Dunn leads us in worship today.
Care Group #4 hosts the coffee fellowship.

Next week, Pastor Brian Dunn will lead our services.
Care Group #4 hosts the coffee fellowship.

Nursery Today Devin & Elissa D.J., Lacey P. **Apr. 21** Brian & Kristin H., Maci K.

Valet Parking Today Dusty Doppenberg **Apr. 21** Dallas Granstra

Sound Today Heynen, Jacob, Josh **Apr. 21** Cory, Jackson, Ben

Praise Team Today Ashley, Char, Arlo, Alivia, Damon **Apr. 21** Lacey, Julie, Shane, Gus

Cookies Apr. 21 Amy D., Karen C., Lori D.J. **Apr. 28** Kassy D., Darline E., Marcella F.

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).

First CRC Announcements:

- **Listening devices** are on the welcome desk.
- **Membership/Profession of Faith** - If you are interested in making profession of faith, contact Pastor Brian. Classes begin soon; time & dates to be determined.
- **Free Sheldon Area Unity Meal** – Tomorrow, Mon., Apr. 15. This is a great opportunity for our church to be a blessing to our community. Singles, families, young and old – all are welcome! A sign-up sheet is on the welcome desk.
- **Diapers/Wipes Table** is set up for **Hudson Lee Granstra, son of Drake & Kerrigan** and **Sutton Joy Granstra, daughter of Jeffrey & Brooke**.
- **Book Club** – Our next book is *The Boys in the Boat* by Daniel James Brown. The best-selling story about the American Olympic rowing triumph in 1936. We will meet on Wed., June 5 to discuss the book. Please consider joining us!
- **Reminder** – Please save the last 4 rows of benches for families with small children.

Activities This Week

Sun.	11:00 AM	Choir Practice
	5:00 PM	Evening Worship Service
Mon.	6:00 AM	Spring Bible Study
Tues.	6:30 PM	Spring Bible Study
Wed.	7:00 PM	Cadets
	7:00 PM	GEMS
Thurs.	2:00 PM	Women's Bible Study

A Congregational Meeting will be held after the AM service on May 5. This will be to elect Elders/Deacons for the upcoming term. Please pray for the following men who have been nominated for the office of Elder and Deacon.

Elder Nominations: Harlan Bolkema, Keith Habben, Keith Kleinwolterink, Chad Petitt.

Deacon Nominations: Brian Hengeveld, Lance Hoekstra, Ethan Van Holland, Nathan Ver Meer

For each office we will be voting for at least two. If you are unable to attend the meeting on the 5th, please place your ballot in a signed, sealed envelope in the Clerk's mailbox by the council room by Sunday, May 5.

Kids Fest 2024 – Aug. 4-7! We are so excited to be partnering with Immanuel CRC again to have Kids Fest! We would love to get you involved in serving at Kids Fest, so please fill out an interest sheet so our team can help you get involved. Questions? Ask our Kids Fest Team from 1st – Kassy Dunn & Lindsey Nieuwendorp. Please return completed interest sheets to either Kassy or Lindsey's church mailbox

Unity Christian Announcements:

- **Society Meeting** – Tues., April 16 in the Knight Center. Board members will be elected. The nominees are from Immanuel CRC OC – Randy Smit & Benji Hulstein; Covenant CRC – Melissa Bailey & Jeff Ploegstra; Bethel CRC – Candi Te Krony, Dean Dekkers & Julie Hoogland. We will have updates from the Board and also a budget to pass for the 24-25 school year.
- **Grandparents Day** – Thurs., April 18 at the school. All grandparents of Freshman students are invited to attend. The event is scheduled to begin at 9:30 a.m. and will finish at lunch with your grandchild. Please call 737-4114 or email aobbink@unitychristian.net to make a lunch reservation.

- **FFA Plant Eary Bird Open House** – At the Greenhouse at Unity, Fri., April 26 3:45 p.m.-6:00 p.m. & Sat. April 27 from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. The Mother's Day Sale is Fri., May 10 3:45 p.m.-6:00 p.m. & Sat., May 11 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Come and walk through our greenhouses, pick up some plants to use in your garden and enjoy seeing the work of our students! Freewill offering goes towards our FFA Program. Thank you for your support!

Western Christian Announcements:

- **Foundation Luncheon** – Wed., Apr. 24 at noon in the Event Center. Mr. Brad Van Heuvelen, Chief Wealth Management Officer at Peoples Bank will be the guest speaker. Lunch provided by Beyer Catering; Amie Smit and the Western Christian Orchestra will provide special music. RSVP to Brad Vis 605-359-5704 brad.vis@westernchristianhs.com if you plan to attend.
- **Spring Society Meeting** – Thurs., April 18, 6 p.m., in The HUB at Western Christian. Our Head Administrator, Mr. Verwolf, will share a State of School Report which includes staffing & program updates for the upcoming school year. Additionally, we have an opportunity as a society to approve the annual budget for the 24-25 school year and vote on proposed revisions to our Bylaws. To review the proposed changes, please go to www.westernchristianhs.com. You will be able to access the document on the front page of our website.

Community Announcements:

- **NCC Student Bible Study Snacks** - Please bring your snacks to the church kitchen by Tues. morning the week you signed up.
- **National Day of Prayer Service** – Thurs., May 2, 7:00 PM at Living Water Community Church, Sheldon Campus. We will worship and pray for our community and nation. Sponsored by the Sheldon Area Ministerial Association, Rise Ministries and Honor God Ministries.
- **Sheldon Area Unity Meal** – Mon., April 15 at Living Water Community Church. Serving from 5:30-6:30 p.m. All attendees are welcome to pick up a bag of groceries to take home.

April 14, 2024

Morning Worship – Pastor Brian Dunn

9:30 AM

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Evening Worship – Pastor Brian Dunn

5:00 PM

Opening Service

Call to Worship
Opening Prayer
*Opening Hymn: **“Let God Arise in All His Might”**
*God’s Greeting/Mutual Greeting
*Song of Praise: **“Only a Holy God”**

Service of Reconciliation

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

Service of the Word

Song of Preparation: **“Speak O Lord”**
Prayer of Illumination
Scripture Reading: **Luke 24:36-59**
Sermon Title: ***Post Resurrection Appearances: Jesus & the Disciples***
Prayer for Application
*Song of Praise: **“Behold Our God”**

Service of Dedication

Congregational Prayer
Offering
*Song of Dedication: **“Low in the Grave He Lay” vs. 1-2**
*Benediction
*Doxology: **“Low in the Grave He Lay” vs. 3**

**Please stand, if able.*

We Gather to Worship

Call to Worship
Silent Prayer
*Opening Hymn: **“10,000 Reasons”**
*God’s Greeting
*Responsive Affirmation of Faith: **Heidelberg Catechism LD 1**
*Song of Praise: **“I Surrender All”**
Pastoral Prayer

We Hear God’s Word

Hymn of Preparation: **“Blessed Assurance”**
Scripture Passage: **Genesis 37:1-24**
Sermon Title: ***Tragedy and Triumph: Joseph the Dreamer***
Prayer of Application

We Respond in Faith

*Song of Dedication: **“To God Be the Glory”**
*Benediction/Blessing
*Doxology: **“Glory Be to the Father”**

**Please stand, if able.*

April 28, 2024

<u>Elders</u>	<u>Care Group</u>	<u>Deacons</u>
Pete Van Velzen '25 Clerk	1	Leroy Kreykes '24
Shane Hoekstra '24 Vicar	2	Cory Jansen '26
Denny De Jong '26	3	Brennan Granstra '25
Ryan Kats '26	4	Jon Nieuwendorp '26
Dolan Granstra '25	5	Mike De Kam '24
Lyle Bolkema '24 Pres.		Dusty Doppenberg '25 Treas.

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Church Activities

Cadets/GEMS, 1 st & 3 rd Wed. 7 pm	Elders, 2 nd Wed. 6:15 pm
Catechism, Gr. 3-12 Sun. 10:45 am	Sun. Sch., 3-2 nd Gr. Sun. 10:45 am
Council, 2 nd Wed. 7:30 p.m.	Women's Bible Study, 1 st & 3 rd Thur. 2 pm
Coffee Break, 2 nd & 4 th Wed. 9:30 am	Young People, 1 st & 3 rd Wed. 7 pm
Deacons, 2 nd Wed. 7 pm	<u>Bulletin Ann. Due Wed. at 9 a.m.</u>

If anyone needs assistance: Call Connie Heynen 348-4393 or Brenda Bolkema 348-0287

Our Missionaries: Rev. Eric/Penny Schering & Lauren/Connie Runia – Papua New Guinea;
Danny & Christa Longkumer – Laos; Jake & Brittany Korver - Proclaim Aviation Ministries

As a Christian Reformed body of believers, we at 1st CRC in Sheldon stand united as followers of Christ, sharing in the spirit of the Reformation: **Only by scripture** - God's Word, The Bible, is our only standard, revealing God's way of salvation and his will for our lives. **Only by grace** – We are saved from our sin only by the sovereign grace of God and not by our own works. **Only by Christ** – Only by the merits of Christ are we declared right with God, and not by our own merit. **Only through faith** – We receive blessings of Christ only through faith in his work and his word. **Only for the glory of God** – As those saved by the mercy of God, we are called to do all things for his glory alone and not our own.

*Anyone in need of spiritual counsel or desiring to affiliate with us
is invited to speak to our pastor or any one of the elders.*

*The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. 2 Cor. 13:14.*

Pastor Brian Dunn
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