Morning Order of Worship – October 25, 2026 – 9:30 a.m.

Prelude
Welcome and Announcements

Gathered

*Call to Worship: Psalm 119:11-13
*Prayer of Invocation "Sweet Hour of Prayer" CH #640 (1-2)
*Votum:
People of God, in whose name is your help?
Our help is in the name of the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth.
*God's Greeting
*Hymn "O Word of God Incarnate" GPH #279 (1-3)

Call to Confession: Jeremiah 11:2-10
Prayer of Confession
Assurance of Pardon: Romans 5:18-21
God's Will for Our Lives: Exodus 20:1-17
*Hymn "Ancient Words" LUYH #762 (1-2)
(During the first verse, 3-4 year olds are dismissed for Children and Worship.)

Word

Prayer for Illumination
Scripture: Nehemiah 8 (page 474)
Sermon: **"Bring Out the Book"**

Response

Prayer of Application
*Hymn of Response
"How Shall the Young Direct Their Way?" BPH #237 (1-2)
Congregational Prayer
Offerings for Center for Financial Education and Christian Education

Sending

*Hymn "How Firm a Foundation" GPH #500 (1,2,3,5)
*Benediction
*Doxology "Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing" GPH #320 (1-2)
*Postlude *If able, please stand

Minister of the Word: Rev. Jordan Helming
Organist: Maria Byker; Pianist: Judy De Jong
First CRC Instrumentalists

Sunday, October 25, 2026

Welcome to worship today! We are glad you have chosen to worship God with us!

Nursery is available on the lower level of the church for child care. Refreshments are served after the morning worship service. Please stay and visit.

This Week

Today
9:30 a.m. Worship Service – Rev. Jordan Helming
10:45 a.m. Sunday School/Catechism "Step into Scripture"
5:00 p.m. Combined Reformation Worship at Calvary CRC

Monday, October 26
7:00 p.m. Women's Discipleship – Chapter 3

Tuesday, October 27
7:00 p.m. All Things
8:00 p.m. Dust to Glory

Wednesday, October 28
6:45 p.m. GEMS will meet at Immanuel CRC
6:50 p.m. Cadets will meet at Calvary CRC

Thursday, October 29
9:00 a.m. Ladies' Bible Study
8:00 p.m. Advanced Discipleship

Sunday, November 1
9:30 a.m. Worship Service – Rev. Stephen Terpstra
Offerings: Center for Financial Education and Christian Education
10:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Catechism
6:00 p.m. Worship Service – Rev. Stephen Terpstra

General Announcements

Memory Work: Psalm 119:11-13: "I have stored up your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you. Blessed are you, O Lord; teach me your statutes! With my lips I declare all the rules of your mouth."

This evening: Our evening worship service today is a combined Reformation Service at Calvary CRC at **5:00 p.m.**

From the Council:

At his request, the membership of Tyler Van Schouwen has been transferred to Almond Valley CRC in Ripon, CA. May God bless Tyler in his new church home.

From the Missions Committee: The service trip to Rehoboth Christian School will take place on February 8-15, 2027. If you are able to join us, please sign up on the sheet on the Missions bulletin board no later than November 15. There will a short informational meeting in the youth room on Sunday, November 1 at 5:15 p.m. for anyone interesting in going or for those who have questions.

The congregation is invited to the annual One Body One Hope Dessert Social on Wednesday, November 4, from 7-8 p.m. in the Dordt Overlooks Room. This is a wonderful opportunity to hear about OBOH's work in Liberia and enjoy delicious desserts.

Mailbox: If you are not a member of First CRC, but would like to have a church mailbox, please let the church office know.

Reflections: Articles for the November *Reflections* are due on Tuesday, October 27 at 8:30 a.m. Thanks!

Called: Have you ever considered that God might be calling you into vocational ministry? What might that look like in your life? Come to Dordt in Sioux Center on Saturday, November 14 from 9am to 12 pm to explore your calling alongside others at a free "Called" event. Listen to pastors talk about calling. Discuss areas of ministry like church planting, chaplaincy, pastoring, missions, and more with people who are working in those areas. Connect with various programs and practitioners of vocational ministry. "*The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few*" (Luke 10:2). Is the Lord of the Harvest calling you to come work in ministry? Please RSVP using this link (https://forms.gle/dX97eQYbhzvf1VBJ9) by November 1.

Project Pumpkin Pie: Each household in our congregation has been gifted a pumpkin pie for the week of Thanksgiving! There is a form in your mailbox today with details, fill it out and place it in the basket either near the mailboxes or on the table in the narthex. Forms need to be returned by Sunday, Nov. 8.

Serving in Ministry

	Today (10/25)	Next Sunday (11/1)
AM Refreshments	Mark & Vi Kuiken Phil & Shawndra Kuiken	Bruce & Connie Lefever Ryan & Jennifer Mulder
AM Nursery	Marcia Scholten Heidi De Groot Beau Hellinga	Lindsey Van Schepen Maria Noteboom Kylie De Groot
Children and Worship	Leader: Shari Visser Helper: Becky Visser	Leader: Christina Z. Helper: Bethany S.
PM Nursery	*Combined Worship at Calvary*	Christine Terpstra Audrey Zuiderveen
Greeters	*Combined Worship at Calvary*	SE-Warren & Ruth Dekkers FHW-Dennis & Margene Eekhoff
Media	Ryan Van Schouwen Lindsey De Groot LeRoy De Jager Mike Byker	Shannon Schuller Tyce Van Donge Greg De Groot Matt Van Schepen
Intentional Greeter	AM- Matt Van Schepen PM-*Worship at Calvary*	AM-Bert Reinders PM-Jon Hellinga

Ushers for November:
SW-Justin Hellinga SE-John Van Kalsbeek
Center-Ross Oolman, Mark Zylstra

Advanced Notices:
November 2 – Missions Committee Meeting
November 11 – Fellowship Committee Meeting
November 12 – Discipleship Committee Meeting

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