

Morning Order of Worship – April 27, 2025 – 9:30 a.m.

Prelude, Welcome and Announcements

Gathered

*Call to Worship: Psalm 138:1-2

*Prayer of Invocation (concluded with the Lord's Prayer)

*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 "I Know that My Redeemer Lives" LUYH #193 (1,2,4,7)

Call to Confession: 10 Commandments

Sung prayer "Lord, Have Mercy" LUYH #639

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon: Colossians 1:15-23

Call to Holy Living: Colossians 3:1-17

*Hymn "Thine is the Glory" LUYH #187 (1,2,3)

(During the first verse, children ages 3-TK are dismissed for Children and Worship.)

Word

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture: James 2:14-26 (page 1197)

Sermon: **"Faith & Works"**

Response

Prayer of Application

*Hymn "Fill Thou My Life, O Lord, My God" GPH #547 (1,2,3)

Congregational Prayer

Offerings for GEMS Girls' Clubs and Christian Education

Sent

*Hymn "O Church, Arise" (Getty)

*Benediction

*Doxology "Glory Be to the Father" GPH #635

*Postlude

Minister of the Word: Rev. Stephen Terpstra

Organist: Maria Byker; Pianist: Christine Terpstra

Sunday, April 27, 2025

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
Offering: GEMS' Girls Clubs, Christian Education
10:50 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Catechism
5:00 p.m. Combined GEMS Worship Service at Immanuel
Offering: Orange City GEMS
6:30 p.m. Growing in Christ Fellowship
Lunch: Bykers and De Jongs

Wednesday, April 30

6:00 p.m. Corn Hole Tournament

Thursday, May 1

6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
9:00 a.m. Ladies' Bible Study

Sunday, May 4

9:30 a.m. Worship Service
Offerings: Geneva and Areopagus Campus Ministries,
Christian Education
10:50 a.m. Sunday School/Catechism
12:00 p.m. All Church Potluck
6:00 p.m. Worship Service
Offering: Amistad Cristiana

General Announcements

Please Note: Our evening service tonight is a combined service for GEMS Sunday. The service will be held at Immanuel CRC and will begin at 5:00 p.m.

Reflections: Articles for the May edition of the *Reflections* are due on Tuesday, April 29 at 8:30 a.m. Thanks!

2025 Graduates: If you are graduating from middle school, high school, college or grad school, we'd love to celebrate you! Please email the office (office@firstcrcoc.org) with info about you – education you are completing, future plans, summer plans, and anything else you'd like to include. Please send this info by Tuesday, April 29 for inclusion in the May *Reflections*.

Corn Hole Tournament: The Congregational Life Committee is making plans for a Corn Hole Tournament on Wednesday, April 30. The tournament will be held in the church parking lot and will start at 6:00 p.m. There will be two divisions, adult (6th grade and up) and youth (5th grade and younger). Please sign your team up on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall. Fire pits will be available to roast hot dogs and s'mores, all supplies will be provided. Come join us for a fun night!

All Church Potluck: There will be an all church potluck on Sunday, May 4 at noon. Families, please bring one hot and one cold dish. Singles, bring one dish, either hot or cold. If you are in care facility or are a college student, please come and join us for the potluck, no need to bring food.

From the Council:

At the last council meeting we received the membership of Carter Van Hulzen from First CRC in Edgerton, MN. Welcome to First CRC, Carter!

We also accepted the resignation of Elder Doug De Haan, effective June 1, 2025, as Doug and Kathy will be moving to Cleveland, Ohio. We thank Doug for his service and pray God's blessing on Doug and Kathy in this transition in their lives.

Serving in Ministry

	Today (4/27)	Next Sunday (5/4)
AM Refreshments	Brent & Anita Nykamp Ryan & Jennifer Noteboom	<i>No Coffee – Noon Potluck</i>
AM Nursery	Leianna Hellinga Ruby Zylstra Connor Schuller	Connie Lefever Lindsey Van Schepen Addelyn Bolkema
Children & Worship	Leader: Christina Zuiderveen Helper: Lauren Noteboom	Leader: Jennifer Mills Helper: Bethany Schuller
PM Nursery	<i>Combined GEMS Worship at Immanuel</i>	Jill Jacobsma Collin Dykstra
Greeters	<i>Combined GEMS Worship at Immanuel</i>	SE-Orv & Joyce Bruxvoort FHW-Grant & Heidi De Groot
Media	Ryan Raines Ryan Noteboom Grant De Groot Ryan Van Schouwen	LeRoy De Jager Mike Byker Riley Mulder Shannon Schuller
Intentional Greeter	AM-Matt Van Schepen PM- <i>Combined Worship</i>	AM-Bert Reinders PM-Jon Hellinga

Ushers for May:

SE-Rod De Groot; SW-Henry Zylstra
Center-Arlin Klein, Matt Van Schouwen

Advance Notices:

May 27 – Worship Team Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
May 29 – Ascension Day Service