

REFLECTIONS

First Christian Reformed Church
Orange City, Iowa

September 2023

For we walk by

Faith

not by sight.

2 CORINTHIANS 5:7

Reflections

Please forgive any errors or omissions. We'd be grateful if you would call them to our attention. Thank you for submitting news articles-without your help, there would be no newsletter! Thank you to the volunteers who help each month.

Members unable to worship with us on a regular basis:

Prairie Ridge Care Center

Helen Anderson, Elizabeth Dykstra,
Lois De Beer, Arlys Feenstra,
Otto & Pris Huizenga,
Arie & MaryLou Noteboom,
Irene Pennings

Landsmeer Assisted Living

Henrietta Jeltema, Leona Noteboom

Royale Meadows

Joan Den Hartog

Whispering Heights (Rock Valley)

Jake Van Den Hul

Transportation


If you need a ride to a church service or another activity in church, please contact Darrell Schuller or Matt Van Schouwen.

Hospitality

If you are in need of assistance, or know of someone who is, please contact your care unit deacon.

Upcoming Events

- September 10 – Sunday School and Catechism Begin
Burger Fry, 12:00 p.m. Windmill Park
- September 17 – Post High Meal
- September 20 – Classis Heartland Meets at Immanuel CRC
- September 20 – Youth Group Fund Raiser – 5:00-7:00pm
- September 27 – Service at the Pioneer Home, 7:00 p.m.
Care Unit 5 (M. Zylstra/K. Timmermans)



Let your light shine so
people everywhere may
see your good actions
and praise God in
heaven because of it.
Matthew 5:16

Sunday Evening Greeters

September 3 – SE-Pete & Laura Zomermaand, FHW-Ross & Amy Bolkema

September 10 – SE-Gordon & Pat Bruxvoort, FHW-Orv & Joyce Bruxvoort

September 17 – SE-Grant & Heidi De Groot, FHW-Greg & Angela De Groot

September 24 – Rod & Sondra De Groot, FHW-Alan & Jody De Jong

October 1 – SE-Irwin & Judy De Jong, Bob & Carla De Jong

Children and Worship

September 10 – *Talking to God* – Leader: Kristi Reinders, Flag Greeter: Angela De Groot

September 17 – *Listening to God* – Leader: Lindsey Van Schepen, Flag Greeter: Sarah Pluim

September 24 – *The Good Shepherd* – Leader: Shari Visser, Flag Greeter: Shawndra Kuiken

October 1 – *Creation* – Leader: Christina Zuiderveen, Flag Greeter: Bethany Schuller

Media

September 3 – Gary Jeltema, Jon Hellinga, Austin Van Donge, Phil Kuiken

September 10 – Ryan Raines, Ryan Noteboom, Grant De Groot, Carson Noteboom

September 17 – LeRoy De Jager, Mike Byker, Riley Mulder, Linda Ver Steeg

September 24 – Greg De Groot, Matt Van Schepen, Nicholas Noteboom, Shannon Schuller

October 1 – Jon Hellinga, Austin Van Donge, Ryan Van Schouwen

Bulletin Delivery

September 3 – Doug Hamming

September 10 – Gordon & Pat Bruxvoort

September 17 – Jim De Boer

September 24 – Arlin & Karen Klein

October 1 – Rod & Sondra De Groot

Ushers:

September:

SW-Arlin Klein

SE-Bob De Jong

Center-Trevor Mulder, Loren Dykstra

October:

SW-Warren Dekkers

SE-Kaleb Hamming

Center-Nick Noteboom, Doug Schuller

Sunday Morning Refreshments

September 3 – Justin & Stephanie Hellinga, Pastor Jordan & Luralyn Helming

September 10 – *No Coffee – Education Year Kick Off*

September 17 – Gary & Anita Jeltema, Arlin & Karen Klein

September 24 – Brian & Nancy Kroeze, Ed & Ethel Kruid

October 1 – Bruce & Connie Lefever, Josh & Ema McBrayer

October 8 – Jeremy & Jennifer Mills, Ryan & Jennifer Mulder

October 15 – Nick & Maria Noteboom, Ryan & Jennifer Noteboom

October 22 – Brent & Anita Nykamp, Ross & Krista Oolman

October 29 – Caleb & Sarah Pluim, Ryan & Shanelle Raines

Valet Parking
September – Ken Timmermans
October – Ryan Mulder



NURSERY WORKERS

SEPTEMBER 3 AM-JILL JACOBSMA, MARCIA SCHOLTEN, OLIVIA YOUNG
PM-AMY BOLKEMA, JOEL HAMMING, KALEB DE GROOT
SEPTEMBER 10 AM-CHRISTINA ZUIDERVEEN, HEIDI DE GROOT, PARKER MILLS
PM-BETHANY SCHULLER, AYVA VAN SCHOUWEN, MADISON SCHULLER
SEPTEMBER 17 AM-JENN MILLS, NANCY KROEZE, AUTUMN KROEZE
PM-AUDREY SCHULLER, HALEY SCHULLER, GARRETT DE GROOT
SEPT. 24 AM-PATTY TIMMERMANS, KRISTI REINDERS, CONNOR SCHULLER
PM-SARAH PLUIM, JULIA DYKSTRA, JANELLE ZUIDERVEEN
OCTOBER 1 AM – ANITA JELTEMA, DENISE SCHULLER, KARLI NOTEBOOM
PM-SHAWNDRA KUIKEN, RUBY ZYLSTRA, GAVIN MILLS
OCTOBER 8 AM – KRISTA OOLMAN, KAREN VAN SCHOUWEN, BEAU HELLINGA
PM-JAYDEN MULDER, KYRA VAN SCHOUWEN, LINDSEY DE GROOT
OCT. 15 AM – JENNIFER MULDER, JANNA VAN DONGE, CARTER SCHULLER
PM-ANGELA DE GROOT, REAGAN NOTEBOOM, HENRY ZYLSTRA
OCTOBER 22 AM – JODY DE JONG, JANICE HAMMING, CLAIRE HELLINGA
PM- BECKY VISSER, SABRINA TIMMERMANS, CALVIN REINDERS
OCTOBER 29 AM – LEIANNA HELLINGA, GINA ZYLSTRA, BRENNIA BOLKEMA
PM-COMBINED REFORMATION WORSHIP AT CALVARY

From the Worship Team: Starting next Sunday, September 10, in addition to the children's bulletins, there will be general sermon note sheets on the table as well. These are available for any student who would like to take notes on the sermons.



*thank
you*

We would like to thank all who remembered me with many prayers, cards and calls after my shoulder surgery. A special thanks to Elder Mark Kuiken for his visit. God is good and we are thankful for our caring church.

--Jim & Marilyn Goslinga

Thanks for the many cards and good wishes for our 60th anniversary. Thanks to Rebecca Dykstra for baking the delicious cupcakes! Above all, we give thanks to our Heavenly Father for blessing us with 60 years. God is so good.

--Tuny & Kathy Vollink

Thank you to the person who put a prayer heart in my mailbox. What a thoughtful gift. Thank you again and may God bless you.

--Kathy Schuller

Dear Congregation of First CRC,
THANK YOU for making the 2022-23 school year at Sioux Center Christian a transforming reality in the lives of 2 SCCS students through your 22-23 Legacy Plan gifts. We are blessed to report that your prayers and your gifts worked together to fuel our daily pursuit to treasure and train every child so they may be transformed as they learn and live God's Story. Thank you!

-- Sioux Center Christian School

August Council Report

- Pulpit supply update was given. Our church continues to be blessed with faithful preaching of God's word. The classis will be providing us pulpit supply one Sunday a month starting up again in September.
- Classical credentials were completed for the Classis Heartland meeting scheduled for September 20 at Immanuel CRC, Orange City. Delegates are Elders Curt Ahrenholz and Mark Kuiken and Deacon Nate Zuiderveen.
- Church Order Article 42 was reviewed. This article deals with classis' responsibility to provide counselors during pastor vacancies and annual church visitors to church councils.
- Committee reports were given (worship, outreach/mission emphasis, education, congregational life, building and grounds) – the council is very thankful for the work of Pastor Jordan Helming, Trevor Mouw, and Pastor Cliff Hoekstra. Our church will be hosting the Shepherd's Table on October 26. The community wood splitting events for the Rosebud Reservation are going well. A potluck/burger fry is planned for Sunday, September 10, to kick off the education year. A roof leak above the youth room has been repaired.
- Treasurer's report for July was given.
- The combined 150th anniversary Tulip Festival float that our church shared with First Reformed Church will be disbanded.
- Search committee gave progress report. The committee continues to receive names and to make contacts. Matt Van Schepen will give an update to the congregation after the morning service on August 27.

In His Service,
Curt Ahrenholz, Clerk

Offering Schedule

September 3 AM
Rehoboth Christian School
September Mission of the Month

September 3 PM
Sioux City Gospel Mission

September 10 AM
Areopagus Campus Ministry
Benevolent Fund

September 10 PM
OCCS General Fund

September 17 AM
Reformed Youth Services

September 17 PM
Cary Christian Center

September 24 AM
Christian Schools International

September 24 PM
Orange City Cadets

October 1 AM
Launch Global (S. Dekkers)
October Mission of the Month

October 1 PM
Dordt University

***The second offering every Sunday morning is for Christian Education**
