



Welcome

Our Mission

“Rooted in Christ: growing in faith, serving our neighbors, reaching the nations.”

Morning Worship 9:30 a.m. | Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.

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Our Morning Worship Celebration October 29, 2023

CCLI #757338

*Please stand if you are able.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*Opening Prayer

*Song: “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God” LUYH #776

*Call to Worship

*God’s Greeting and Mutual Greeting

*Song: “Behold Our God”

(Children in Toddler Church and Children’s Worship are dismissed.)

A Time of Grace: Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

Introduction

Instruction and Invitation

The Thanksgiving

Prayer of Consecration

Preparing and Passing the Bread

Ministry through Music: “Creator”

Preparing and Passing the Cup

Congregational Song: “O Praise the Name”

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Thank Offering for Benevolent Fund/Safe Families

Offertory Song of Thanksgiving: LUYH #604

“To God Be the Glory”

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture: Philippians 3:7-21

Message: “We Are Forever”

Prayer of Application

*Song of Response: “I Will Rise” LUYH #468

Intercessory Prayer

Offerings for the General Ministry Fund and Christian Ed Fund

Offertory Song: “Hymn of Heaven”

*God’s Parting Blessing

*Doxology: LUYH #965

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

*Postlude

Assisting us in our Worship:

Minister of the Word: Pastor Bob Pollema

Pianist: Andrea Wieringa Violin: Faith Bierma

Drums: Tyler Rozenboom

Vocalists: Anna De Jong, Erin Niklasen, Lydia Van Kley

Welcome to everyone who has joined us for worship either in person or via YouTube! We are thankful that you have joined us for a time of refreshment, renewal, and encouragement. We invite you to make Faith Church your church home if you are seeking a place to worship regularly. After the morning service you are invited to join us for coffee, juice, and fellowship. **Tables are set up along the north wall of the fellowship hall for senior members who would like to sit during their time of fellowship.**

<p>Some information to acquaint you with our worship service:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Please follow the “Order of Worship” in the bulletin and on the screen as some of the service is responsive and proceeds unannounced. ➤ For children we offer nursery care for infants through age 2½ downstairs; Toddler Church for 2½ to 3 yr. olds in church school rooms 2 & 3; and Children’s Worship for 3 yr. olds in church school room 10 and 4-5 yr. olds in rooms 17 & 18 (see order of worship indicating when the children are dismissed). A mother’s room is available in room 1. ➤ To watch our services via YouTube go to our website www.faith-crc.org.

WORSHIP NOTES

This morning we will celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion together. If you are visiting us and are a member of a Bible-believing church, you are welcome to join us in this celebration.

This evening Bethel CRC and Bridge of Hope CRC invite us to the annual combined Reformation Day service at 6:00pm at Bethel CRC. Pastor Sam Ashmore will be giving the message, “Take a Seat” based on Psalm 91. An offering will be received for One Body One Hope and a nursery will be provided. We look forward to a time of worship together.

THANK YOU

“A big Thank You to all who served us in many ways while Marge was healing from knee replacement surgery. We are so blessed to be a part of the family at Faith. Marge will continue physical therapy for a number of weeks yet. Praise God for his healing hand in her life.” ~ Don and Marge Van Voorst

“Dear Faith family, Jim and I would like to thank you for all the cards and prayers in the passing of our dear sister-in-law, Clazina. She was so special in our lives. Also, the celebration of my 80th birthday, for all the cards and well wishes. We are overwhelmed by your love and kindness. We thank the Lord for you. Blessings to all! Praise the Lord for His greatness!” ~ Jim and Joyce Burggraaf

CHURCH FAMILY

Theresa Ver Steeg continues to heal from foot surgery in the Orange City Hospital with hopes of being transferred to Sioux Center sometime next week.

Congratulations to Alex and Haley Van Holland on the safe arrival of Blakely Scott on October 19. Blakely remains in the NICU at Sanford to grow and become stronger.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- TODAY:

Byker/Hoelsema household will share a noon meal today in the fellowship hall. Visitors are invited to join them!

- THIS WEEK:

Wednesday Women of Faith groups will meet at 9:30AM and 2:00PM.

Youth group will meet on Wednesday at 7:15PM for a cookie baking contest. Sophomore boys have snacks. We could use 2-3 people to be cookie judges. Contact Karla if you would be interested in judging (441.7178).

Thursday night men’s Bible study will meet at 7:00PM in the council room.

- UPCOMING EVENTS:

Please continue feeding your Peter Fish banks as part of the **World Hunger Campaign sponsored by World Renew**. The money you give will help hungry people feed themselves, build their livelihoods, and strengthen their families. The banks, along with the **Operation Christmas Child boxes**, will be collected on November 12.

Our annual Congregational Dinner and Meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 13, at 6:30pm. Come and enjoy a time of fellowship over dinner, followed by our annual congregational meeting. Please RSVP by October 31 at:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C054BA5AB2EA0FD0->

[45339221-congregational](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C054BA5AB2EA0FD0-). If you are not comfortable using signup genius, you can RSVP by contacting the church office (office@faith-crc.org or 722-3179).

In preparation for the congregational meeting on November 13, the council presents the following nominees for the office of elder: Scott Driesen, Wes Fopma, Dean Kollis, Jeff Koops, Henry Kraayenbrink, Steve Mouw, Brian Van Donselaar, and Ken Walvoort; for the office of deacon: Joel Feekes, Brad Gulker, Jon Holwerda, Paul Kleyer, Grant Stelling, Jeremy Van Den Berg, Scott Van Essen, and Jesse Veenstra. Nominees for the Christian Ed Fund Committee are: Natasha Hooyer, Kari Timmer, Rhonda Van Donge, Eric Faber, Russ Feekes, and Aaron Tuschen. Please prayerfully consider these nominees in the weeks ahead.

- PLEASE NOTE:

Faith CRC is a part of a cohort of 5 churches in Northwest Iowa who are working together to make their churches more accessible and welcoming to ALL people. One of the ways our church can be more welcoming and accommodating is understanding the mental, emotional, physical, and social needs of each of you. At the beginning of September, the Faith Accessibility Team placed in each of your mailboxes an Accessibility Survey. Thank you to those who have already completed one. We are asking each of you to look over the survey again and if you feel there is something that we as a church could do better with mental, emotional, or physical health accommodations, please complete a survey and place it in Lisa Olivera’s church mailbox. There will be copies of the survey available on the information table. If you would like to contact a team member with questions or comments, please connect with Pastor Bob Pollema, Emily De Boer, Gord Blom, John Kooyenga, Lexi Olivera or Lisa Olivera.

We are in the process of **implementing a new church website** with new branding and a fresh, updated look. We will continue to update the content and there will be some new features coming such as an online directory and phone app. If you have questions or suggestions, please contact one of the committee members, Bret Van Wyk, Brittany Keizer, Ken Emmelkamp or Glenda Kraayenbrink.

OFFERING SCHEDULE:

TODAY AM: 1st - Budget; 2nd - Christian Education
AM Communion Thank Offering: Benevolence/Safe Families
PM: One Body One Hope
NOV 5 PM: Faith Mission and Outreach

THIS WEEK AT FAITH:

Sun.	9:30AM-Morning Worship Celebration 10:45AM-Church school and catechism classes 11:00PM-Adult Bible study 11:45AM-Byker/Hoelsema household dinner 6:00PM- Combined Evening Worship Celebration
Mon.	6:00AM-Men’s Bible study
Tues.	6:30AM-Men’s Bible study
Wed.	9:00PM-Staff meeting 9:30AM-W of F 12:00PM-Men’s Bible study 2:00PM-W of F 7:15PM-YPS
Thurs.	7:00PM-Men’s Bible study
Sat.	7:00AM-Men’s Bible study

NURSERY SCHEDULE:

TODAY AM Inf – Elizabeth VB, Emily VDB, Aislynn V; **Todd** – Kevin R. family, Rilee K; **PM Combined** – Combined at Bethel; **NOV 5 AM Inf** – Tyler J. family, Hadley D; **Todd** – Andrew VDV. family, Jackson H; **PM Combined** – Lyle & Shar VH, Taeten K.

REFRESHMENTS:

TODAY: Pete & Emily De Boer	Ryan & Liz De Groot
NOV 5: Kirk & Kristin De Jong	Brad & Helen De Vries

TOT CHURCH:

TODAY: Beth F/Brianna A/43	NOV 5: Brianna A/Veronica H/44
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CHILDREN’S WORSHIP HELPERS:

TODAY: SR/ Autumn/Natalie	RR: Annika/Morgan
NOV 5: SR/Autumn/Natalie	RR: Kendra/Hannah

ELDER GREETERS:

October: Harry Wieringa Scott Wynja	November: Denny Van Zanten Kevin Gesink
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VIDEOGRAPHER:

TODAY: Bret Van Wyk	NOV 12: Caleb Van Der Brink
NOV 5: Phil Kats	

SOUND SYSTEM OPERATOR:

TODAY: Jim Bolkema	PROJECTOR OPERATOR: Linda Kroeze
NOV 5: Dennis Dokter	Jeff De Boer
NOV 12: John Kooyenga	Zach Van Den Top

USHERS:

October	November
Center: Brad De Vries	Dave Eekhoff
Center: Clark De Vries	Scott Driesen
South: Jay Dekkers	Jeremy Driesen
North: Jon Dekkers	Ken Emmelkamp
Balcony: Cory De Weerd	Eric Dooyema

Members to pray for the week of 10-29-23:

Pray for the following members this week:

Oct 29: Eric & Jessica Van Laren

Oct 30: Kyle Van Laren

Oct 31: Walt & Glenda Van Laren

Nov 1: Bethany Van Lingen

Nov 2: Jeff & Nancy Van Lingen

Nov 3: Katrina Van Lingen

Nov 4: Brent & Raelle Van Maanen (Aubrey, Brayden, Maddox, Edyn)

WEEKLY LIST OF PRAYER CONCERNS: (10-29-23)

Adoration – “This is how we know what love is; Jesus Christ laid down his life for us and we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers.” ~ I John 3:16

~ What an awesome expression of servitude that we care for our brothers and sisters.

Confession – “Why are you so downcast, O my soul? Why so disturbed within me? Put your hope in God, for I will yet praise him, my Savior and my God.” ~ Ps. 42:5 ~ Even in the midst of trials we can have that hope that God is there in those times.

Thanksgiving – “Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.” ~ I Thes. 5:16 & 17

- Give thanks that Theresa Ver Steeg is making steady progress after foot surgery.
- Give thanks that Marge Van Voorst is doing well after knee replacement surgery.
- Give thanks for a baby girl born to Alex and Haley Van Holland; pray for continued progress and weight gain for the baby.
- Give thanks for family and friends visiting this weekend.
- Give thanks for the dedicated work of all our staff members.
- **Supplication** – “Listen to my prayer, O God, do not ignore my plea; hear me and answer me.” ~ Ps. 55:1 & 2a
- Pray for wise choices in our day to day living.
- Pray for the guidance of the surgeon regarding Amy Van Voorst’s health.
- Pray for all those undergoing treatments for cancer.
- We lift up all those who are suffering from anxiety and depression.
- Pray this week for D & A M and their family as they do ministry in the Middle East.
- Pray this week for the Whispers of Love, Hope and Joy congregation and the ministry of Pastor Debra Rensink.

Memory Work: - spend 5 minutes a day learning this verse: Rom. 8:28 & 29 – “And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. For those God foreknew, he also predestined to be conformed to the likeness of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers.”