

# FIRST CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

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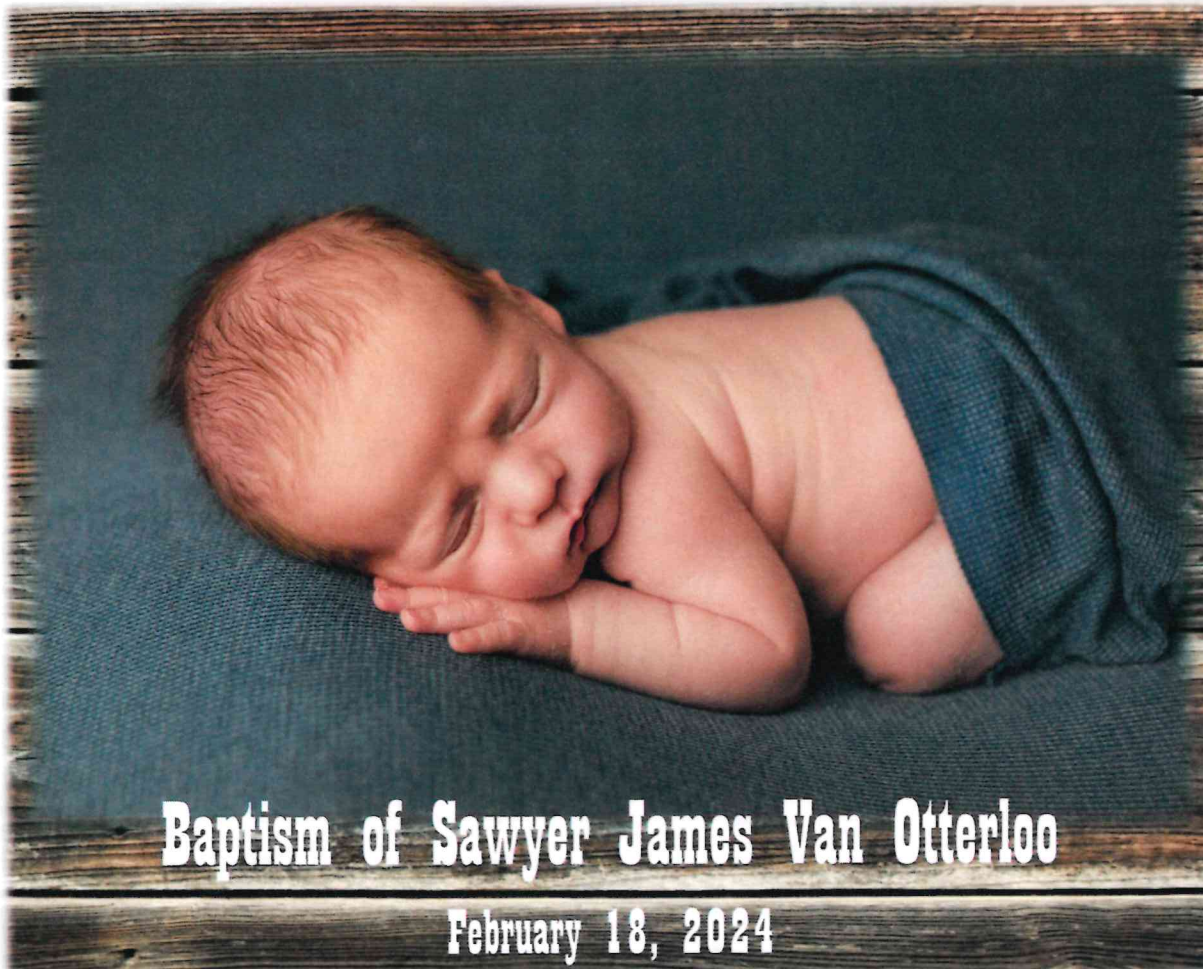
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**Baptism of Sawyer James Van Otterloo**

**February 18, 2024**

**THE LORD'S DAY**  
**February 18, 2024**  
**9:30 AM Divine Worship**

Piano Prelude

Call to Worship

Silent Prayer

\*Declaration of Trust in God

\*God's Greeting/We Greet One Another

**\*Song of Praise: "O Praise the Name"**

**Responsive Reading of God's Law**

**Song of Salvation:**

**"Christ Our Hope in Life and Death"**

GH:1-2

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism (Form No. 3 - page 129, back of Psalter)

administered to Sawyer James Van Otterloo

Ministry of Music - "Thank You Jesus for the Blood" - James & Rachelle VB

Congregational Prayer

**\*Song of Preparation:**

**"Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me"**

GH:1,3,4

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture: Job 1 (page 467/788)

Sermon: **"BLESSED BE THE NAME OF THE LORD"**

Prayer for God's Blessing on the Preached Word

**\*Song of Response: "Blessed Be Your Name"**

LUYH:1,2,4

Formulary for the Lord's Supper (Form No. 2 - page 151 - back of Psalter)

Offertory Prayer/Offering: Love INC & CEC

\*Benediction

**\*Closing Song: "Oh How Good It Is"**

GH:3

\*Piano Postlude

**Pianist:** Carisa Maassen

\*Please stand if you are able

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ROCK VALLEY, IOWA  
February 18, 2024**

***WELCOME!***

*We pray that everyone will enjoy the presence of the Lord among His people today as we bring our praises & prayers, participate in the Sacrament of Holy Communion, celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism, and hear His Word proclaimed!*

*If you are a visitor with us today and would like additional materials from First CRC, they are located in the "Visitor" mailboxes. If you currently do not have a church home and desire information about church membership, please contact the church office.*

**TODAY**

-- We have the privilege of celebrating the Holy Sacrament of the Lord's Supper during our morning worship service. We invite all who have publicly professed their faith in the Lord Jesus their Savior in a bible-believing church to partake of the elements today.

-- This morning as a congregation we have the joy of witnessing the Sacrament of Holy Baptism administered to Sawyer James Van Otterloo, infant son of Colton & Ashley Van Otterloo. May God equip Colton & Ashley to train Sawyer to grow in the light of God's Holy Word.

-- Adult Choir ***WILL NOT*** meet this morning.

-- Children's Choir - Grades P-2 - please meet in the *Sanctuary* for practice today.

-- Newsletter Articles are due *today*.

**EXPRESSIONS OF APPRECIATION**

-- *A special thank you to James & Rachelle Vanden Bos for your song of praise and gratitude during the morning worship service.*

-- *Thank you to Rev. Haan and our Church family for your prayers, cards, visits, phone calls, and food brought in following my foot surgery. Special thanks to Elder James Vanden Bos, Rachelle, & Levi for blessing us in so many ways during this time of recuperation.* -- Diana & Kevin De Groot

-- *We would like to thank the congregation for all the prayers offered on our behalf on our mission trip to Guatemala. We thank God for watching over us! Our theme verse for the week: "For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do." Ephesians 2:10* -- Guatemala Team

**CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

-- The *first* offering received today will be for **Love INC**, and the *second* offering and *evening* offering will be for our **CEC**. The offerings for next week will be for Roseland Christian Ministries & our Building Fund.

-- Meals on Wheels deliveries are this week, February 19-23. *Thank you to those who have volunteered their time to deliver meals to the elderly in our community.*

## **CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED**

-- **Youth Group Family Feud Supper** is this week Wednesday, February 21, at 6:30pm for all those who signed up to attend.

-- Next week Sunday, February 25, Lord-willing, we will celebrate and witness the Reaffirmation of Faith of Jaden Den Boer and Profession of Faith of Katlein Van Der Weide. May God bless Jaden and Katlein as they strengthen their faith and their personal walk with Christ.

-- The Spring Classis Iakota meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 5, at Trinity CRC in Rock Valley. The delegates attending representing our Church will be Pastor Haan, Elder James Vanden Bosch, and Deacon Ryan Zomer. Scott Koedam - alternate.

-- **We will be having our Prayer Day Service on *Wednesday, March 13*, at 7:00pm.**

-- Our Youth Group has an opportunity to travel to The Black Hills for an Impact Trip with "A Christian Ministry in the National Parks" (ACMNP) May 30 - June 2. *Information was provided to the Youth Group students in your Church mailboxes last week.* Please contact a Youth Group Leader with any questions. ***Sign-up by April 1!***

-- **Book Club Update:** There is going to be a change of books for our March meeting. The new book is "No One Ever Asked" by Katie Ganshert. Books are available on the narthex table today and will be available at the Rock Valley Public Library in the coming weeks. Discussion night is Monday, March 25 at 6:30 pm.

-- Updates for the black binder picture directory were placed in your mailbox last week. If you did not receive the updates or need a binder, please contact the office.

-- Youth Administrator applications continue to be accepted and can be turned in to Elder Evan Vanden Bosch or Elder Nate Van Kley.

## **FAMILY FAITH VISITATION**

--**Family Faith Visitation** - *All members of Care Groups 5-8 will meet with the Elders this year. If you cannot make your scheduled time, you are responsible to switch for another time.*

## **SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEK:**

### **Monday, February 19 - At Church**

**6:15 PM** - Jacob & Amanda Maassen

**6:45 PM** - Karl & Alyssa Bos

**7:15 PM** - Leonard & Deb Hoekstra

**7:45 PM** - Matt & Krista Van Engen

### **Tuesday, February 20 - At Church**

**6:15 PM** - Eric & Erica Van Surksum

**6:45 PM** - Blake & Genae Zomer

**7:15 PM** - Loy & Taryn Van't Hul

**7:45 PM** - Brian & Tricia Mulder

### **February 18, 2024**

**PRAISE TEAM:**

Breya VK, Pat B,  
James VB, Randy B

**USHERS:**

*East:* Cody D, Mike B  
*West:* Cole VDB, Colton VO

**NURSERY:**

*AM:* Kayla VE, Aftyn B, Abby A,  
Teeghan B, Erica VR  
*PM:* Jill M, Benjamin H

**GREETERS:**

*AM:* Shanna L  
Jacob & Amanda M  
Larry & Pam M

*PM:* Joe & Jill M  
Brian & Tricia M  
Darin & Lisa P

*NARTHEX:* Harlan & Priscilla

**OFFERING:**

*AM:* Love INC  
*PM:* CEC

**LETTERS:**

*Ribbens:* Harlan D  
*Maletoungou:* Harold D  
*Klomprens:* Jim D

### **February 25, 2024**

**SONG LEADER:**

Andy VR

**USHERS:**

*East:* Josh B, Mike VZ  
*West:* Dan B, Darin P

**NURSERY:**

*AM:* Leah W, Allison B,  
Kaysha A, Tad M  
*PM:* Shannon B, Brennan VK

**GREETERS:**

*AM:* Mike & Niki P  
Brad & Brenda P  
Rich & Lynnette R

*PM:* Damon & Jackie R  
Alex & Alexis R  
Dustin & Jodi VB

*NARTHEX:* Ron & Darletta

**OFFERING:**

*AM:* Roseland Christian Ministries  
*PM:* Building Fund

**LETTERS:**

*Ribbens:* Carl E  
*Maletoungou:* Jeff E  
*Klomprens:* Brian F

## **SERMON NOTES:**

## **February 18, 2024**

**TODAY:**   **9:30 AM:** Morning Worship Service - Communion/Baptism  
**10:45 AM:** Sunday School/Catechism  
**6:00 PM:** Evening Worship Service

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**MON:**    **11:00 AM:** Meals on Wheels - Rachelle Vanden Bos  
**7:00 PM:** ABC Bible Study - Chapters 17 & 18

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**TUES:**    **9:45 AM:** Coffee Break - 1 & 2 Timothy - Lesson 10  
**11:00 AM:** Meals on Wheels - Sue LeLoux  
**7:00 PM:** Men's Society - Lesson 3  
Mission Guild - Lesson 8

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**WED:**    **11:00 AM:** Meals on Wheels - Harm Wiersma  
**6:30 PM:** Youth Group Family Feud Supper  
**7:00 PM:** Cadets

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**THURS:**   **11:00 AM:** Meals on Wheels - Malorie Kirkley

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**FRI:**     **11:00 AM:** Meals on Wheels - Kevin Jansma

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### **PRAYER REMINDERS**

#### **Baptism**

♦ Colton, Ashley, Hayden, & Sawyer Van Otterloo

#### **Health, Healing, & Peace**

♦ Betty Hoogendoorn, Kyle Hoogendoorn, Paula Kats, Gerrit Kats, Marv Van Den Top

#### **Our Care Center Residents**

##### Whispering Heights

Esther De Roon

Violet Haak

Jennie Maassen

Grace Teunissen

Joan Van Maanen

Harvey & Joanne Van Otterloo

Alvina Van't Hul

##### Four Seasons

Teresa Oostra

##### River View Ridge

Nathan Dorhout

LeRoy & Jane Koedam

Henrietta Vanden Bosch

##### Hull - Pleasant Acres

Jerry Velgersdyk

##### Crown Pointe - SC

Harriet Vande Kamp

#### **Missionaries**

♦ Rev. Michael & Megan Ribbens - Johannesburg, South Africa

♦ Rev. Sosthene & Kara Maletoungou - West Africa

♦ Rev. Mark & Jinhee Klompier - classically supported missionaries in Nepal

#### **Classical Missions**

♦ Lakeview CRC - Valentine, NE

#### **Denominational Requests**

♦ (Thrive) *Worship* - Please pray for your congregations' worship leaders and planners. Ask God to fill worship leaders and planners with energy, give them joy in their work.

♦ World Renew is seeking prayers for all those suffering from the rains and flooding in CA.





## **THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES**

Tuesday - Brielle Jansma

Wednesday - Rod Banda

Thursday - Ryan Olivera, *the Tim Van Tilburg's*

## **FUTURE DATES**

**February 26** - Council Meeting

**March 13** - Prayer Day Service

## **SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Rock Valley Christian School:**

- ◊ NO SCRIP this week
- ◊ No School - Monday, February 19 - President's Day
- ◊ Wednesday, February 21 - Full Day
- ◊ Friday, February 23 - ARROWS Muffins with Moms - 7:45-8:15am
- ◊ Friday, February - Kindergarten Chapel - 8:30am

### **Western Christian High School:**

- ◊ No School - Monday, February 19 - President's Day
- ◊ 9:25am start - Wednesday, February 21

### **Rock Valley Community School:**

- ◊ 2:00pm dismissal - Wednesday, February 21

## **COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

\*Please check our Church website for community events & announcements.

[www.firstcrcrv.org/resources](http://www.firstcrcrv.org/resources)

### **Think About It**

We are like sheep protected by our Shepherd.

His boundaries keep us free and content in His presence.

*"The law of the Lord is perfect, restoring the soul; the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple. The precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes."*

*Psalms 119:7-8*

***HOW ARE YOU FEEDING THE FIRE OF FAITH?***





## **6:00 PM Divine Worship**

Piano Prelude

### **Hymn Sing**

**"Shine On Us"**

BH:1-3

**"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"**

PsH 436:1,3

Call to Worship

Silent Prayer

\*Declaration of Trust in God

\*God's Greeting

**\*Song of Praise: "May the Peoples Praise You"**

GH:1-4

**\*The Nicene Creed** (in unison)

**\*Song of Response: "The Lord is My Salvation"**

GH

**The Belgic Confession - Article 3** (read responsively)

Congregational Prayer

**\*Song of Preparation:**

**"Take Time to Be Holy"**

PsH 451:1-3

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture: 1 Samuel 2:1-11 (page 247/420)

Sermon: **"BE A LEADER IN PRAYER"**

Prayer for God's Blessing on the Preached Word

**\*Song of Application:**

**"Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"**

PH:1

Offertory Prayer/Offering: CEC

\*Benediction

**\*Closing Song: "Rise Up, O Church of God"**

CH:4

\*Piano Postlude

**Pianist:** Carisa Maassen

\*Please stand if you are able

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## 2024 COUNCIL

**MINISTER:**  
**REV. MATTHEW A. HAAN**

### ELDERS:

Evan Vanden Bosch, President '25 - (470-1022)  
Randy Vande Kamp '26 - (541-7500)  
Randy Byl, Vice-President '24 - (470-2259)  
James Vanden Bos '24 - (470-3682)  
Vern De Boer '24 - (470-2830)  
Darwin Hoogendoorn '26 - (470-0697)  
Scott Koedam '25 - (470-7037)  
Ron LeLoux, Vicar '26 - (470-2426)  
Nate Van Kley, Clerk '25 - (470-2348)

### DEACONS:

Travis Jansen, Secretary '25 - (470-3486)  
Mitchell Byl, Vicar of Deacons '26 - (470-2920)  
Jarod LeLoux, Special Offerings '24 - (460-2515)  
Mike Pollema, President '24 - (470-5223)  
Justin Faber, General Fund Treas. '24 - (460-3053)  
Myron Bleyenbergh, Benev. Treas. '25 - (605-359-8574)  
Ryan Zomer, Building Treas. '25 - (712-441-3970)  
Evan Altena, Missions '26 - (470-2575)

**Please contact the Pastor or assigned Elder with needs.**

### 2024 COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS:

Executive Committee ..... Pastor Matt, Evan Vanden Bosch (Chr.), Randy Byl, Nate Van Kley, Ron LeLoux, Mike Pollema, Justin Faber  
Pulpit Supply ..... Pastor Matt, Randy Byl (Chr.), Evan Vanden Bosch  
Bulletin ..... Pastor Matt, Kim Altena, Evan Vanden Bosch, Nate Van Kley  
Church Governance ..... Elders  
Sacraments ..... Ron LeLoux, Nate Van Kley  
Missions Committee ..... Leonard (Chr.) & Deb H, Mike & Tammy B, Randy (Liaison) & Pat B, Mark & Deb VH, Tim & Kim VT  
Family Faith Visitation Committee ..... Vern De Boer, Darwin Hoogendoorn  
Worship Committee ..... Pastor Matt, James VB (Chr.), Deanna F, Krista VE, Rachelle VB, Evan VB, Andy VR  
Music Coordinator ..... Rachelle Vanden Bos  
Building and Grounds Committee ..... James Vanden Bos (Chr.), Ryan Zomer (Treas.), Steve De Kam, Jeff Van Bommel, Harm Wiersma  
Education Committee ..... Pastor Matt, Damon R (Chr.), Mitchell B, Jamie DJ, Steph E, Kyle H, Scott K, Sharla VR, Alyssa VH  
Sunday School Superintendent ..... Damon Rus  
Christian Education Committee ..... Andy & Sharla VR (Pres.), Eric & Tracy B (Vice Pres.), Darin & Megan K (Treas.),  
Steve & April DK, Keith & Jacque L, Dereck & LaRae VDB  
Rock Valley Calvinist Board ..... Ron LeLoux, Mike Pollema  
Youth Group Sponsors ..... Evan & Rhonda L, Jeff & Kacie VB, Mark & Deb VH, Mer & Cindy VO, Nate VK (Liaison)  
Welcome Committee ..... John & Carol De Roon, Harlan & Priscilla Driesen, Larry & Yvonne Haak, Roger & Hilaine Kempema,  
Ron & Darletta LeLoux, Vern & Ellen VB  
Memorial ..... Deacons  
Head Usher ..... Ron LeLoux  
Funeral Ushers ..... Roger Kempema (Chr.), Harlan Driesen, Bob Gilman, Dick Jansma  
Organists/Pianists ..... Alyssa Bos, Ranae Kooistra, Carisa Maassen, Krista Van Engen  
Nursery Committee ..... Jackie Rus, Kelsey Ver Burg  
Sound System Committee ..... James VB (Chr.), Mike H, Leonard H, Carla J, Rich R, Evan VB  
Video Recording Committee ..... Brian F (Chr.), Alex K, Ron L, Rich R, Carter VB, Matthew VO  
PowerPoint System Committee ..... Carla J (Chr.), Tammy B, Benjamin H, Sue L, Jenna VO, Kayla VO, Aiden VR  
Custodians ..... Rich & Lynnette Rozeboom (476-5724)  
Church Secretary ..... Kim Altena (Office-476-5902; Cell-712-470-6103) \*Present bulletin announcements by **4:00 PM Wednesday**\*  
Prayer Chain ..... Pastor Matt, Evan Vanden Bosch  
Fellowship Committee ..... Bonnie D (Chr.), Tracy B, Katie B, Alli DB, Patty H, Kendra J, Kristin J, Sara J, Rhonda L, Jill M, Brenda P  
Flowers ..... Marva Haak, Karla Van Kley, Carol Van't Hul  
Newsletter ..... Carla Jansma (editor), Kim Altena  
Library Committee ..... Joyce VE (Chr.), Diana DG, Carol DR, Hilaine K, Lois P, Judy VO  
Website Committee ..... Tracy Breuer (Chr.), Kim Altena, Brian Faber, Kyle Hoogendoorn  
Safe Church Committee ..... Scott Koedam (Chr.), Kyle Hoogendoorn, Sue LeLoux  
Scheduling Rides ..... Travis Jansen  
Community Impact Committee ..... Mitchell Byl  
Care Districts ..... District Elders  
School Board Representatives ..... Western Christian - Brenda P, Loy VH, Jr. & Rock Valley Christian - Mike B, Keith L, Andy VR, Jack VB

**SACRAMENTS: HOLY BAPTISM** - Upon approved request

**HOLY COMMUNION** - 1st Sunday of Lent, Maundy Thursday, 2nd Sunday of June & September, and 1st Sunday of Advent

**MISSIONS:** *Rev. Mike & Megan Ribbens*-Johannesburg, South Africa (email Mike at [mribbens@crcna.org](mailto:mribbens@crcna.org) or Megan at [mribbens@gmail.com](mailto:mribbens@gmail.com))

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