## FIRST CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

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## THE LORD'S DAY February 9, 2025 9:30 AM Divine Worship

Organ Prelude

Call to Worship

Silent Prayer

\*Declaration of Trust in God

\*God's Greeting/We Greet One Another

\*Song of Praise:

"Crown Him with Many Crowns" PH 13:1,3,4

**Responsive Reading of God's Law** 

**Song of Salvation:** 

"Facing a Task Unfinished" GH:1-2

Congregational Prayer

\*Song of Preparation: "He Will Hold Me Fast" GH:1-3

\*Children ages 2-4 invited to Children in Worship

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture: Luke 17:20-37 (page 971/1627)

Sermon: "THE KINGDOM OF GOD IS WITHIN YOUR GRASP"

Prayer for God's Blessing on the Preached Word

\*Song of Response:

"I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord"

CH:1,2,4

Offertory Prayer/Offering: Rev. Sos & Kara Maletoungou & Classical Quotas

Offertory Pianist: Jenessa Van Roekel

\*Benediction

\*Closing Song:

"Facing a Task Unfinished" GH:4

\*Organ Postlude Organist: Ranae Kooistra

\*Please stand if you are able

# FIRST CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH ROCK VALLEY, IOWA February 9, 2025

## WELCOME!

We pray that all will enjoy the presence of the Lord among His people today as we bring our praises & prayers, 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.

#### **CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- -- The *first* offering received today will be for **Missionaries: Rev. Sosthene & Kara Maletoungou** and the *second* offering and *evening* offering will be for our **Classical Quotas**. The offerings next week Sunday will be for The Genesis House and Roseland Christian Ministries.
- -- Newsletter Articles are due next week.
- -- You're invited to **Ignite Youth Group's Valentine's Day Party**! It will be held on <u>Wednesday, February 19</u> at 6:30pm at First CRC in the Fellowship Hall. RSVP by February 11 by text 712-587-8742 or email <u>youth@firstcrcrv.org</u>. There is also a sign-up sheet on the table in the Narthex. A donation box will be available the night of the supper; suggested donation is \$20/person.
- -- **First CRC Book Club** The next book for reading is <u>Saving Grayson</u> by Chris Fabry. Two copies are available to borrow on the table in the Narthex. Discussion night will be held on *Monday, March 3*.
- -- **CEC Taco Supper** The CEC Annual Taco Supper is scheduled for March 24. If you have any ground beef available for donation, there is a need for approximately 65 lbs. Donations can be brought to Church and placed in the East freezer; be sure to mark clearly "CEC" on your donation. *Thank you!*



## **FUTURE GOSPEL MISSION SERVICE DATES**

-- April 8 - Sioux City - Care Groups 6 & 7 -- April 29 - Sioux Falls - Care Groups 2 & 8

-- June 23 - Sioux Falls - Care Groups 4 & 5 -- June 24 - Sioux City - Care Groups 1 & 3



## **ISRAEL 2026**

-- If you are interested in embarking on the next opportunity to travel to Israel, Pastor Matt will be hosting a trip, January 12-22, 2026, which will follow the "Abraham Route of the Holy Land." There is an early bird discount available if you sign-up *prior to February 15*. If you have any questions or are ready to sign-up for this adventure or know someone who may be interested, please contact Pastor Matt.

#### **FAMILY FAITH VISITATION SCHEDULE**

-- <u>All members of Care Groups 1-4 will meet with the Elders this year.</u> The sign-up schedule is available on the table in the Narthex. If you are a member of Care Groups 5-8 you met last year, but if you would still like to meet again this year, please sign-up on the schedule. Extra outlines are available for you on the table. **Meeting times are now scheduled for you and you will be responsible to switch if it doesn't work; therefore, please watch for when you are listed on the schedule closely, and be respectful of the Elders time!** 

Monday, February 10 - At Church 6:15 PM - Kevin & Diana De Groot 6:45 PM - Shanna LeLoux 7:15 PM - Harlan & Priscilla Driesen 7:45 PM - Davis & Aubrie Van Roekel	Monday, February 10 - At Church 6:15 PM - Lyle & Joyce Van Engen 6:45 PM - Damon & Jackie Rus 7:15 PM - Trevor & Lexi Koedam 7:45 PM - Larry & Pam Maassen
Tuesday, February 11 - At Church 6:15 PM - Steve & Sue Hoekstra 6:45 PM - Brett & Malorie Kirkley 7:15 PM - Jarod LeLoux 7:45 PM - Mike Van Zanten	Tuesday, February 11 - At Church 6:15 PM - Elaine Bolkema 6:45 PM - Sara Johnson 7:15 PM - Jeremy Kooiker & Abbie Eppinga 7:45 PM - Ver & Sandy Van Bemmel
Monday, February 17 - At Church 6:15 PM - Nathan Dorhout 6:45 PM - Joel Baartman 7:15 PM - Dereck & LaRae Van Der Brink 7:45 PM	Monday, February 17 - At Church 6:15 PM - Janice Attema 6:45 PM - Logan Van Engen 7:15 PM - Mike & Christal Van't Hul 7:45 PM
<u>Tuesday, February 18 - At Church</u> 6:15 PM	Tuesday, February 18 - At Church 6:15 PM
Tuesday, February 25 - At Church 6:15 PM - Colton & Leah Van Surksum 6:45 PM - Kelly & Patty Haak 7:15 PM 7:45 PM	Tuesday, February 25 - At Church 6:15 PM 6:45 PM 7:15 PM 7:45 PM



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SONG LEADER:

Tricia M

**USHERS**:

East: Joel B, Matt VE West: Tyler DB, Alvin L

**NURSERY:** 

AM: Priscilla D, Steph E, Kayla B, Ada K PM: Deb H, Noah DK **GREETERS:** 

AM: Lindsey VB

Ver & Sandy VB Dereck & LaRae VDB

PM: Lyle & Joyce VE Matt & Krista VE Albert & Grace VG

NARTHEX: Vern & Ellen

**OFFERING:** 

AM: Rev. Sos & Kara Maletoungou

PM: Classical Quotas

**LETTERS**:

<u>Ribbens:</u> Travis J <u>Maletoungou</u>: Dick J <u>Klompiens:</u> Kevin J

**ORGANIST:** AM/PM - Ranae K AM Offertory Pianist: Jenessa VR

VIDEO: Alex K SOUND: James VB PPT: Cowan VK

CHILDREN IN WORSHIP: Leader: Jill M Helper: Alison L

PRAISE TEAM:

Lanae H, Pat B, James VB, Mer VO

**USHERS:** 

East: Arnold K, Bob G
West: Benjamin H, Keith L

NURSERY:

AM: Cherie G, Kendra J, Amera F, Kate L

PM: Jessica K, Titus H

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GREETERS:

AM: Fred & Karla VK

Nate & Laurie VK

Colton & Ashley VO PM: Mer & Cindy VO

Mike & Judy VO
Nolan & Julie VO

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**OFFERING**:

AM: The Genesis House

PM: Roseland Christian Ministries

<u>LETTERS</u>:

<u>Ribbens:</u> Sara J <u>Maletoungou:</u> Galen K <u>Klompiens:</u> Gerrit K

NARTHEX: Harlan & Priscilla PIANIST: Carisa M

VIDEO: Ron L SOUND: Rich R PPT: Tammy B

**CHILDREN IN WORSHIP:** Leader: Kristin J Helper: Kayla VE

\*Volunteers to help with our weekly services are always welcome and highly encouraged!

Please notify the Church office if you are high school age and above and are willing to help in any of our service opportunities such as:

Praise Team, Usher, Nursery, Video, Sound, PPT, Narthex greeting, Children in Worship, etc. Where can you help Feed Your Fire of Faith at First CRC? Thank you for serving so faithfully!

"Community in Christ"

We covet your prayers for leaders, students, and all others involved as we look forward to a year of fellowship, learning, and growth together.

- -- Youth Group Email: youth@firstcrcrv.org
- -- Valentine's Supper Wednesday, January 19
- -- Meeting Wednesday, March 5 7:00pm



-- Cadets - Meeting - Wednesday, February 12 - 7:00pm

- Meeting - Wednesday, February 19 - 6:30pm



- GEMS - Meeting - Wednesday, February 19 - 6:30pm

# **SERMON NOTES:**

## February 9, 2025

TODAY: 9:30 AM: Morning Worship Service

10:45 AM: Sunday School/Catechism/Choir

6:00 PM: Evening Worship Service

TUES: 9:45 AM: Coffee Break - Shalom - Lesson 2

WED: 7:00 PM: Cadets

L.I.G.H.T.

Men's Society - Lesson 10 beginning with Question 5 Together in Faith Bible Study - Joshua Book 2 - Lesson 2

#### PRAYER REMINDERS

#### Health, Healing, & Peace

♦ Don Postma, Ruth Koedam, Addison Van't Hul, John De Roon

## Flood Relief, Recovery

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

River View Ridge Hull - Pleasant Acres Whispering Heights Elaine Bolkema Jerry Velgersdyk Esther De Roon Jennie Maassen Nathan Dorhout Crown Pointe - SC Jim Driesen Harriet Vande Kamp Grace Teunissen

Gerrit & Esther Kats Four Seasons Joan Van Maanen Harvey & Joanne Van Otterloo LeRoy & Jane Koedam Teresa Oostra Alvina Van't Hul

Henrietta Vanden Bosch Sheldon Christian Retirement Home Don & Lois Postma

#### **Missionaries**

- Rev. Michael & Megan Ribbens Johannesburg, South Africa
- Rev. Sosthene & Kara Maletoungou West Africa
- Rev. Mark & Jinhee Klompien classically supported missionaries in Nepal

#### **Classical Missions**

Lakeview CRC - Valentine, NE

#### **Denominational Requests**

(Resonate Global Mission) Japan - Resonate missionaries Jeong and Misook Gho, who serve in Japan, give thanks for the recent baptism of Mr. Kitamura. Please pray for Mr. Kitamura as he continues to grow as a disciple of Christ, and ask the Holy Spirit to work through him as he shares his faith with family and friends.

#### Outreach

**Orphan Grain Train** - a non-profit Christian volunteer network that shares personal and material resources with those in need in America and around the world by gathering donations of clothing, medical supplies, food, Christian literature, & aid.



### THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

<u>Sunday</u> - Bristyl Bleyenberg <u>Monday</u> - Jeff Kats, Aysha Pollema <u>Tuesday</u> - Evan Altena, Jackie Rus

Wednesday - Steve Hoekstra, the Gerrit Kats' (65)

<u>Thursday</u> - the Rick Davelaar's <u>Friday</u> - Owen Laman **Saturday** - Easton Kooima

#### **FUTURE DATES**

February 19 - Valentine's Day Supper hosted by Youth Group for the Congregation

February 24 - Council Meeting

March 2 - Communion

March 3 - Book Club Discussion Night

March 12 - Prayer Day Service

March 24 - CEC Taco Supper

#### **SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

- No SCRIP this week
- Coffee Cuttin' Club Monday, February 10 9:30-10:30am at RVCS
- ♦ Full Day Wednesday, February 12
- Noon Dismissal Friday, February 14
- Winter Festival Friday, February 14:



#### Western Christian High School:

- 9:25am start Wednesday, February 12
- ♦ The Bargain Alley Thrift Store and Furniture Outlet would like to welcome more volunteers. Please contact Kari Hoekstra at <a href="mailto:bargainalleyhull@gmail.com">bargainalleyhull@gmail.com</a> if you are interested in helping at one of the Bargain Alley locations.

## **Rock Valley Community School:**

2:00pm dismissal - Wednesday, February 12

**COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS** - www.firstcrcrv.org/resources

How are YOU Feeding Your Fire of Faith?



## 6:00 PM Divine Worship

Organ Prelude Call to Worship Silent Prayer \*Declaration of Trust in God \*God's Greeting \*Song of Praise: "The Glorious Gates of Righteousness" GsH 179:1,3,5 \*The Apostles' Creed (in unison) \*Song of Response: "Lord, I Lift Your Name on High" CH:1 The Heidelberg Catechism - Lord's Day 6 - Q/A 16-19 (read responsively) Congregational Prayer \*Songs of Preparation: "Revive Us, O Lord" CH:1 "Sanctuary" PH:1 Prayer for Illumination Scripture: Jeremiah 6 (page 706/1180) Sermon: "LISTENING TO RIGHTEOUSNESS AT THE CROSSROADS" Prayer for God's Blessing on the Preached Word \*Songs of Application: "The King is Coming" CH Offertory Prayer/Offering: Classical Quotas \*Benediction \*Closing Song: "There Is a Redeemer" PH 20:3

\*Please stand if you are able

Organist: Ranae Kooistra

\*Organ Postlude

## FIRST CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH - ROCK VALLEY, IOWA 2025 COUNCIL

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

ELDERS:		DEACONS:
Evan Vanden Bosch, President '25 - (470-1022)	Care Group 1	Travis Jansen, Secretary '25 - (470-3486)
Randy Vande Kamp '26 - (541-7500)	Care Group 2	Mitchell Byl, Special Offerings '26 - (470-2920)
Tim Van Tilburg '27 - (470-5009)	Care Group 3	Carter Vanden Bos, Benevolence '27 - (422-2107)
Carl Elbers '27 - (451-8150)	Care Group 4	Colton Van Otterloo, GF Treasurer '27 - (451-9007)
Leonard Hoekstra, Vice President '27 - (451-9430)	Care Group 5	Blake Zomer, Vicar of Deacons '27 - (460-2552)
Darwin Hoogendoorn '26 - (470-0697)	Care Group 6	Myron Bleyenberg, President '25 - (605-359-8574)
Scott Koedam '25 - (470-7037)	Care Group 7	Ryan Zomer, Building Treasurer '25 - (712-441-3970)
Ron LeLoux, Vicar '26 - (470-2426)	Care Group 8	Evan Altena, <i>Missions</i> '26 - (470-2575)
Nate Van Kley, Clerk '25 - (470-2348)		

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

#### 2025 COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS:

Executive Committee	Pastor Matt, Evan VB (Chr.), Leonard H, Nate VK, Ron L, Myron B, Colton VO
Pulpit Supply	Pastor Matt, Leonard H (Chr.), Evan VB
Bulletin	Pastor Matt, Kim A, Evan VB, Nate VK
Church Governance	Elders
Sacraments	Ron L, Tim VT
Missions Committee	Leonard (Chr.) & Deb H, Mike & Tammy B, Mark & Deb VH, Tim & Kim VT
Family Faith Visitation Committee	Darwin H, Randy VK
Worship Committee	Pastor Matt, Evan VB, James VB (Chr.), Rachelle VB, Krista VE, Andy VR
Music Coordinator	Rachelle VB
Building and Grounds Committee	Carl E (Liaison), Jeff VB (Chr.), Ryan Z (Treas.), Steve DK, Marva H, Mike P
Education Committee	Pastor Matt, Damon R (Chr.), Mitchell B, Jamie DJ, Steph E, Scott K, Sharla VR, Alyssa VH
Sunday School Superintendent	Damon R
Christian Education Committee	Keith & Jacque L (Pres.), Eric & Tracy B, Steve & April DK, Brad & Nanci G,
	Darin & Megan K, Joe & Jill M, Andy & Sharla VR
Rock Valley Calvinist Board	Ron L, Mike P
Youth Group Sponsors	Josie F, Evan & Rhonda L, Brad & Brenda P, Mark & Deb VH, Kevin & Cheryl DB,
	Colton & Kristi H, Mike K, Dave & Amy VB, Nate VK (Liaison)Roger & Hilaine K (Chr), Harlan & Priscilla D, Eric & Tracy B, Larry & Yvonne H,
Welcome Committee	Roger & Hilaine K (Chr), Harlan & Priscilla D, Eric & Tracy B, Larry & Yvonne H,
	Ron & Darletta L, Vern & Ellen VB
Memorial	Ron & Darletta L, Vern & Ellen VB  Deacons
Head Usher	Kon L
Funeral Ushers	Roger K (Chr.), Harlan D, Bob G, Dick J
Organists/Pianists	Ranae K, Carisa M, Krista VE, Rachelle VB
Nursery Committee	Jackie R, Kelsey VB
Tech Committee	Brian F, Joe M, Rich R, Andy VR, Josie F
Sound System Team	James VB (Chr.), Mike H, Leonard H, Rich R, Evan VB
Video Recording Team	Brian F (Chr.), Alex K, Ron L, Rich R, Carter VB, Matthew VO
PowerPoint System Team	Rachelle VB (Chr.), Tammy B, Benjamin H, Jaydn L, Jenna VO, Kayla VO, Aiden VR
Custodians	Rich & Lynnette R (476-5724)
Church Secretary	Kim A (Office-476-5902; Cell-712-470-6103) *Present bulletin announcements by 4:00 PM Wednesday*
Prayer Chain	Pastor Matt, Evan VB
Fellowship Committee	Bonnie D (Chr.), Tracy B, Katie B, Alli DB, Patty H, Kendra J, Kristin J, Sara J, Steph K, Jill M, Brenda P
Flowers	Marva H, Karla VK, Carol VH
Newsletter	Carla J (editor), Kim A
Library Committee	Joyce VE (Chr.), Diana DG, Carol DR, Hilaine K, Judy VO
Website Team	Tracy B (Chr.), Kim A, Brian F, Josie F
Safe Church Committee	Scott K (Chr.), Kim A, Sue L
Scheduling Rides	Travis J
Community Impact Committee	Mitchell B
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

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MISSIONS: Rev. Mike & Megan Ribbens-Johannesburg, South Africa (email Mike at mribbens@crcna.org or Megan at mribbens@gmail.com)
Rev. Sosthene & Kara Maletoungou-West Africa (email smaletoungou@crcna.org)
Rev. Mark & Jinhee Klompien-Nepal (mklompien@crcna.org)

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