



CadetTs ROOTED and GROUNDED 2023-2024

And I pray
that you, being
rooted and established
in love, may have
power, ... to grasp how
wide and long and high
and deep is the
love of Christ.
Ephesians 3:17-18

THE LORD'S DAY
January 28, 2024
CADET SUNDAY
9:30 AM Divine Worship

Piano Prelude

Call to Worship

Psalm 89:30-35

Silent Prayer

*Declaration of Trust in God

*God's Greeting/We Greet One Another

***Song of Praise:**

"By Faith"

GH:1,2,4

Responsive Reading of the Cadet Litany

Song of Salvation:

"All Hail King Jesus"

PH

Congregational Prayer

***Song of Preparation:**

"Let It Be Said of Us"

WH:1-2

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture: Isaiah 6:1-8 (page 638/1068); Ephesians 3:16-19 (page 1083/1820)

Sermon: **"THE LORD SWEARS ON HIS HOLY FAITHFULNESS"**

Prayer for God's Blessing on the Preached Word

***Song of Response:**

"Living for Jesus"

PH 64:1,3,4

Offertory Prayer/Offering: Cadets & Guatemala Mission Trips

*Benediction

***Closing Song:**

"Oh How Good It Is"

GH:3

*Piano Postlude

Pianist: Alyssa Bos

*Please stand if you are able

**FIRST CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH
ROCK VALLEY, IOWA
January 28, 2024 - CADET SUNDAY**

WELCOME!

*We pray that everyone 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.*

TODAY

-- Today we celebrate Cadet Sunday. Our Cadet members will be greeting, ushering, and sitting together during our morning worship service. We thank the counselors and leaders who volunteer their time to teach Cadets! We pray that both leaders and Cadets may continue to be blessed by their involvement with the Cadet ministry.

-- **Guatemala supplies** - If you signed up to bring supplies for Guatemala, please place them in Classroom #3 across from the Youth Group room **by today**. The special offering for Guatemala will be taken this morning as well. *Thank you!*

-- February Faith & Life Newsletter are available in the bulletin racks.

EXPRESSIONS OF APPRECIATION

-- *Thank you to the group who worked at Kingdom Boundaries last Saturday! A lot of work was accomplished and you were a blessing to those who will live there!*

-- *Our family offers sincere and heartfelt thanks to the congregation for the many prayers, offers of condolence, and cards after the passing of our father and grandfather William (Bill) Jansma. Special thanks to Rev. Haan and Elder Vanden Bos for their visits. Thanks for being such a caring and kind congregation! We know that our dad/grandpa has joined the throng that is singing praises to God eternally. --The Kevin Jansma Family*

PRAYER CONCERNS

-- Please keep in your thoughts and prayers Alvin LeLoux as he anticipates having heart ablation surgery for his atrial fibrillation. The surgery is scheduled for Tuesday, January 30, at the heart hospital in Sioux Falls.

-- Continue to be in prayer for Jennie and the fullness of the Maassen family, as Jennie's son, Mike Maassen, passed away Saturday, January 20, at the age of 66. His funeral was held Saturday, January 27, at Faith CRC in Rock Valley.

-- The following people will be traveling to Guatemala the week of February 4-10: Eric & Tracy Breuer, Mike & Tammy Haverhals, Leonard & Deb Hoekstra, Jarod LeLoux, Damon Rus, Owen Rus, Kristi Tiedeman, Dustin Van Beek, Kilee Van Beek, Carter Vanden Bos, and Tyler Van't Hul. Please pray for traveling mercies, guidance, protection, and for them to be blessed and be a blessing to those they serve.

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

-- The *first* offering received today will be for **CADETS**, and the *second* offering will be for the **Guatemala Mission Trips**. Our *evening* offering will be for our **Building Fund**. The offerings next week will be for Tuition Assistance and our CEC.

-- Elders/Deacons will have a Council meeting tomorrow, Monday, January 29, at 6:30pm.

-- Next week Sunday, we will welcome Rev. Jason Wiersma as he leads our morning worship service, and Rev. Tim Ouwinga as he leads our evening worship service. Pastor Matt has a classical appointment to preach at Inwood CRC that day.

-- The month of January recognizes Sanctity of Human Life. A baby cradle is located in the Narthex for donations of baby clothes and supplies. Donations will be delivered to the Alpha Center by our Community Impact Committee early February.

-- **Family Faith Visitation** - *All members of Care Groups 5-8 will meet with the Elders this year.* Please schedule your Family Faith Visitation meeting promptly. ***If you have not yet selected a time, it will be scheduled for you!*** The sign-up schedule is available on the table in the Narthex. *If you cannot make your scheduled time, you are responsible to switch for another time.* If you are a member of Care Groups 1-4 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 on the table.

-- **Marriage Strong** - ***"Making A Good Marriage Great"*** - The new season of Marriage Strong will begin on February 8. Please contact Pastor Matt to pick-up your book if you would like to join the class.

-- **Meals on Wheels** - It is our turn to deliver meals to the elderly in our community the week of February 19-23. Please sign-up on the sheet provided on the table in the Narthex if you are able to deliver meals.

-- **Youth Group** will be holding their annual catered supper on *February 21*, with a "Family Feud Game Night"! Please RSVP by February 11 if you plan to attend. Flyers are provided in your Church mailbox with an RSVP slip at the bottom. They can be turned in to the basket on the table in the Narthex.

-- **Society Treasurers** - *CEC and Youth Group* - please turn in your 2023 financial reports to the church office as soon as possible.

-- Bible-In-A-Year - Materials are provided to you on the table in the Narthex. You can also find these options/links on our Church website - www.firstcrcrv.org. Click on the "Resources" tab and select "Bible-In-A-Year" on the left menu.

CEC FUNDRAISER

-- The Christian Education Chapter is selling **JOLLY TIME** **Koated** **Kernels** **popcorn** in a variety of different flavors! Order forms were placed in your Church mailbox; extra forms are available on the table in the Narthex. ***The orders are due by next Sunday, February 4, 2024. Thank you!***

FROM THE COUNCIL

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

January 28, 2024 - CADET Sunday

SONG LEADER:

Evan VB

USHERS:

AM: CADETS

PM: East: Joel B, Matt VE

West: Jace M, Alvin L

NURSERY:

AM: Lisa P, Jackie R

Benjamin H, Teeghan B

PM: Ellen VB, Titus H

GREETERS:

AM: CADETS

PM: Kevin & Kristin J

Sara Johnson

Galen & Paula K

NARTHEX: Vern & Ellen

OFFERING:

AM: CADETS & Guatemala Mission Trips

PM: Building Fund

LETTERS:

Ribbens: Vern DB

Maletoungou: Kevin DG

Klompens: Zach DJ

February 4, 2024

PRAISE TEAM:

Rachelle VB, Ashley VO

Jack VB, Mike B

USHERS:

East: Arnold K, Bob G

West: Benjamin H, Keith L

NURSERY:

AM: Laurie VK, Sharla VR

Alison L, Noah DK

PM: Taryn VH, Mason J

GREETERS:

AM: Jonathon & Tamae K

Taylor & Jessica K

Brett & Malorie K

PM: Ruth Koedam

Alex & Michelle K

Darin & Megan K

NARTHEX: Harlan & Priscilla

OFFERING:

AM: Tuition Assistance

PM: CEC

LETTERS:

Ribbens: Steve DK

Maletoungou: Clarence DR

Klompens: Doug DR

FAMILY FAITH VISITATION SCHEDULE

If you are in *Care Groups 5-8*, please schedule a time for your Family Faith Visit with the Elders. Care Groups 1-4 can still meet as well if you desire.

REMINDER: *If you have not yet chosen a time slot, a time will be scheduled for you. Also, if you can not make your scheduled time, you will be responsible to switch with someone. Thank you!

Tuesday, January 30 - At Church

6:15 PM - Galen & Elsie Grevenoged

6:45 PM - Jeff & Steph Elgersma

7:15 PM - Myron & Amy Bleyenber

7:45 PM - Brad & Brenda Postma

Tuesday, January 30 - At Church

6:15 PM - Travis & Kendra Jansen

6:45 PM - Gene, Carla, & Shanna LeLoux

7:15 PM - Mike, Niki, & Kyler Pollema

7:45 PM - Larry & Yvonne Haak

SERMON NOTES:

January 28, 2024

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

MON: **6:30 PM:** Council Meeting

PRAYER REMINDERS



Health, Healing, & Peace

- ♦ Alvin LeLoux, Gerrit Kats, Pastor Dan De Groot, Kayla Groeneweg, Marv Van Den Top

Sympathy

- ♦ The Maassen Family

Our Care Center Residents

Whispering Heights

Esther De Roan

Violet Haak

Jennie Maassen

Grace Teunissen

Mary Ann Van Bommel

Joan Van Maanen

Harvey & Joanne Van Otterloo

Alvina Van't Hul

Four Seasons

Teresa Oostra

Riverview 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 Malentoungou - West Africa
- ♦ Rev. Mark & Jinhee Klompier - classically supported missionaries in Nepal

Classical Missions

- ♦ Amistad Cristiana

Denominational Requests

- ♦ (Cadets) *Cadet Sunday* - On this Cadet Sunday, our "Rooted and Grounded" theme, based on Ephesians 3:17-18, reminds boys and men involved in Cadets how wide and long and high and deep the love of Christ is. Please join us in praying that cadets and counselors will reflect that love as they continue living for Jesus.

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Sunday - Justin Faber, Cole Van Der Brink
Tuesday - Hayden Van Otterloo, Skylar Zomer
Wednesday - *the Taylor Kat's*
Thursday - *the Larry Maassen's*
Saturday - Owen Laman, Laura Van Kalsbeek

FUTURE DATES

February 18 - Communion/First Sunday of Lent
February 19-23 - Meals on Wheels
February 21 - Youth Group Supper

SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rock Valley Christian School:

- ◇ SCIP Orders due Monday, January 29 - 9:00am
- ◇ 2:30pm dismissal - Wednesday, January 31
- ◇ ARROWS Prayer Warriors will gather Friday, February 2 - 8:30am - Join us!
- ◇ The 2nd graders at RVCS have cookbooks for sale in the narthex. Along with their favorite recipes you will notice pictures of them, their ideas, and some of the memory verses they are working on in second grade. There is an envelope next to the cookbooks where you can put a freewill donation. All proceeds will go to blessing others in our community.
- ◇ Winter Festival is scheduled for Friday, February 16 - Mark your calendars!

Western Christian High School:

- ◇ 9:25am start - Wednesday, January 31

Rock Valley Community School:

- ◇ 1:00pm dismissal - Wednesday, January 31

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please check our Church website for community events & announcements.
www.firstcrrcv.org/resources

Think About It

On God's team, no one is ranked by ability. Everyone is simply chosen. First. Every time.

You've got the precise skillset you were designed to have,
and your team needs you just as you are!

"You are a holy people to the Lord your God; the Lord your God has chosen you to be a people for His own possession out of all the peoples who are on the face of the earth."

Deuteronomy 7:6

HOW ARE YOU FEEDING THE FIRE OF FAITH?



6:00 PM Divine Worship

Piano Prelude

Call to Worship

Silent Prayer

*Declaration of Trust in God

*God's Greeting

***Song of Praise:**

"He Knows My Name"

LUYH:1-2

***The Apostles' Creed** (in unison)

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

GH

Canons of Dort - Point 5 - Articles 3,4,6,8,12,14 (read responsively)

Congregational Prayer

***Songs of Preparation:**

"Blessed Assurance"

PH 39:1-2

"Jesus, Draw Me Ever Nearer"

GH:1-2

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture: Ephesians 1:9-10 (page 1082/1818)

Sermon: **"PERSEVERANCE OF THE SAINTS"**

Prayer for God's Blessing on the Preached Word

***Song of Application:**

"Humble Praises, Holy Jesus"

BsH 435:1-2

Offertory Prayer/Offering: Building Fund

*Benediction

***Closing Song:**

"Savior Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise"

Chorus

*Piano Postlude

Pianist: Krista Van Engen

*Please stand if you are able

The theme for the 2023-2024 Cadet season is "Rooted and Grounded", based on Ephesians 3: 17-18. Two words that give a feeling of permanence, stability, and strength. When these words are used in connection with Christ dwelling in us, we realize we are rooted and grounded in His love. A love which is wider, longer, higher and deeper than what our knowledge can even understand.

Being rooted in the Father's love for us gives us our foundation. It allows us to know our reason for being here on earth. We understand we have been created to do good works, created in advance for us to do. Being rooted in Christ allows God to work through us.

Being grounded gives us our humility. No matter what God does through us, *it is through us*. It is not anything we have done on our own. The verses which follow our theme verses remind us that we can do nothing, He can do more than all we ask or imagine.

The Cadets in this church are members of an organization consisting of clubs in Canada, the United States, Kenya, Uganda, South Sudan, Ukraine, and partner clubs in New Zealand and Australia. The Calvinist Cadet Corps is an independent ministry, not connected to, or receiving funding from, any denomination. We rely on your gifts and offerings to allow us to continue providing ministry materials for the boys and counselors.



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