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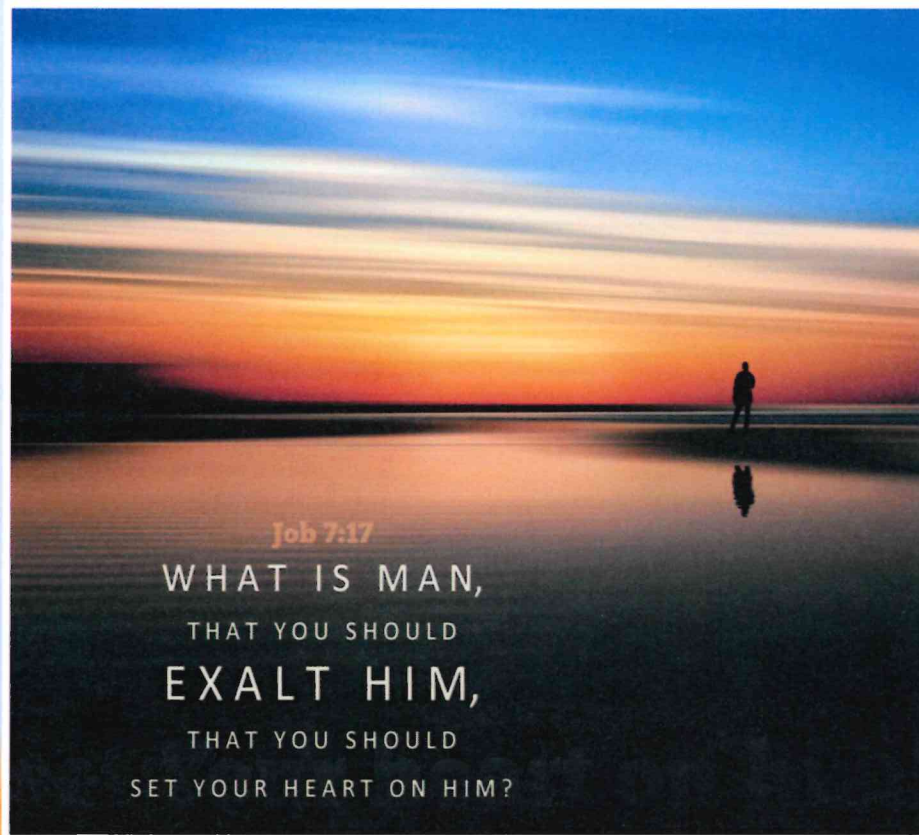
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THE LORD'S DAY
March 17, 2024
9:30 AM Divine Worship

Piano Prelude

Call to Worship

Silent Prayer

*Declaration of Trust in God

*God's Greeting/We Greet One Another

***Song of Praise:**

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

PH 104:1-4

Responsive Reading of God's Law

Song of Salvation:

"God, Be Merciful to Me"

PsH 94:1-6

Congregational Prayer

***Song of Preparation:**

"What Wondrous Love Is This"

PH:1-4

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture: Job 4:1-10; 6:1-10; 7:17-21 (page 469/792)

Sermon: **"GOD IS FOLLOWING THE RULES. NO HE IS NOT."**

Prayer for God's Blessing on the Preached Word

***Song of Response:**

"Man of Sorrows', What a Name"

PsH 381:1-4

Offertory Prayer/Offering: Hope Haven & Siouxland Unity

*Benediction

***Closing Song:**

"Agnus Dei"

LUYH:1

*Piano Postlude

Pianist: Alyssa Bos

*Please stand if you are able

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ROCK VALLEY, IOWA
March 17, 2024**

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

- This morning we welcome Rev. Duane Tinklenberg as he leads us in our morning worship service and Rev. Dave Van Kley as he leads us in our evening worship service. *Thank you for being with us today Rev. Tinklenberg and Rev. Van Kley!*
- Adult Choir will NOT be held this morning, but will meet next week in the Sanctuary.

EXPRESSION OF APPRECIATION

- *We would like to thank the congregation for your cards and kind words after the passing of our sister-in-law, Wilma Van Zanten, and thank you to Pastor Matt for your visit. Your prayers and sympathies are appreciated. -- Albert & Harriett Van Zanten*

PRAYER CONCERN

- Please be in prayer for all those serving in Guatemala this week, March 17-23: Ady Blankespoor; Brian & Amera Faber; Colton, Kristi, & Ezekial Harthoorn; Keith & Jaydn LeLoux; Rashana Mulder; Vern Van Beek; Jeff & Harper Van Bommel; Brea Van Kley; Jenna & Kayla Van Otterloo; and Mark & Deb Van't Hul. Pray for traveling mercies, guidance, protection, and for God's blessings to be seen and known for all as they serve.

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The *first* offering received today will be for **Hope Haven**, and the *second* offering and *evening* offering will be for **Siouxland Unity**. The offerings for next week will be for our Youth Group and Missionaries: Rev. Mark & Jinhee Klompien.
- Pastor Haan will be out of his study through March 21. Please contact your Care Group Elder for any needs or concerns during this time.
- Next week Sunday, March 24, is Palm Sunday. The Children's Choir, ages Preschool through 4th Grade, will be singing our Call to Worship. Please have your child at Church by 9:10am in Classroom #5 to practice and line-up.
- Newsletter Articles are due next week.

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

-- If you have not turned in your Jr. High (6th-8th) Minn-I-Kota Retreat registration form, please turn them in ***no later than Sunday, March 24*** - Limited registrations are accepted, and we cannot guarantee your spot if your forms are not turned in on time. Church will cover the registration fees. The Retreat dates are April 19-21 and it will be held at Inspiration Hills. If you have any questions, please contact the Church office.

-- **Book Club Discussion Night** for the book No One Ever Asked will be held *Monday, March 25*, at 6:30pm in Classroom #5.

-- **Bingo Night & Ice Cream Sundaes (for anyone aged 55+)** - Our Youth Group has partnered with Calvin CRC's Youth Group this year for lesson nights and social events. Together they will be holding a Bingo Night and Ice Cream Sundae Social on ***Wednesday, March 27, at 7:00pm in the Fellowship Hall at Calvin CRC.*** If you are aged 55+, please join us for a night of fun and fellowship!

-- Cadet-O-Rama is scheduled for the evening of *Wednesday, March 27*.

-- **Kingdom Boundaries** - *Saturday, March 30*, the Mission Committee is seeking volunteers to work at the Kingdom Boundaries Apartments in Sioux Falls. Service work times will be 9:00am-3:00pm. A sign-up sheet is on the table in the Narthex. Contact Leonard Hoekstra with any questions.

-- 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. Please contact a Youth Group Leader with any questions. ***Sign-up by April 1!***

-- **CEC Taco Supper** - *Wednesday, April 3*, the Christian Education Chapter will be holding their annual Taco Supper, serving from 5:30-7:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. Come show your support and enjoy a delicious meal!

-- 2nd Grade RVCS Cook Books are available for purchase on the table in the Narthex.

EASTER WEEK SERVICES

-- Our Maundy Thursday/Communion worship service will be held Thursday, March 28, at 7:00pm.

-- Our Good Friday worship service will be held Friday, March 29, at 7:00pm.

-- The Easter Sunrise Community Service is scheduled for 6:45am on Easter morning, March 31, at St. Mary's Catholic Church.

-- Our Church services Easter morning will be as normally scheduled at 9:30am & 6:00pm. *There will be NO Sunday School/Catechism classes on Easter morning.*

March 17, 2024

PRAISE TEAM:

LaRae VDB, Julie VO,
Jack VB, Randy VK

USHERS:

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

NURSERY:

AM: Deb H, Kristin J,
Brielle J, Taryn B
PM: Jessica K, Aftyn B

GREETERS:

AM: Andy & Sharla VR
Eric & Erica VS
Alyssa VH
PM: Chad & Sandra VH
Carol VH, Mary VH
Loy & Janice VH

NARTHEX: Harlan & Priscilla

OFFERING:

AM: Hope Haven
PM: Siouxland Unity

LETTERS:

Ribbens: Bob G
Maletoungou: Marva H
Klompens: Austin H

PIANIST:

AM: Alyssa Bos
PM: Carisa Maassen

March 24, 2024 - Palm Sunday

SONG LEADER:

Tracy B

USHERS:

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

NURSERY:

AM: Tamae K, Malorie K,
Kayla B, Abby A
PM: Michelle K, Benjamin H

GREETERS:

AM: Loy & Taryn VH
Mark & Deb VH
Mike & Christal VH
PM: Mitchel & Shelby VH
Tim & Kendra VT
Tim & Kim VT

NARTHEX: Ron & Darletta

OFFERING:

AM: Youth Group
PM: Missionaries:
Rev. Mark & Jinhee Klompier

LETTERS:

Ribbens: Kelly H
Maletoungou: Larry H
Klompens: Rev. Matthew H

PIANIST:

AM: Alyssa Bos
PM: Carisa Maassen

Remember

God's mercy is indescribable, and His tolerance so merciful.

He loves our innocence, and understands our current level of maturity.

"Just as a father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on those who fear Him.

For He Himself knows our frame; He is mindful that we are but dust."

Psalms 103:13-14

SERMON NOTES:

March 17, 2024

TODAY: **9:30 AM:** Morning Worship Service - Rev. Duane Tinklenberg
 10:45 AM: Sunday School/Catechism
 6:00 PM: Evening Worship Service - Rev. Dave Van Kley

TUES: **9:45 AM:** Coffee Break - Galatians - Lesson 4

WED: **7:00 PM:** Men's Society - Lesson 5
 Mission Guild - Lesson 10

PRAYER REMINDERS



Health, Healing, & Peace

- ♦ Paula Kats, Pastor Dan De Groot

Missions

- ♦ Guatemala Team: Ady Blankespoor; Brian & Amera Faber; Colton, Kristi, & Ezekial Harthoorn; Keith & Jaydn LeLoux; Rashana Mulder; Vern Van Beek; Jeff & Harper Van Bommel; Brea Van Kley; Jenna & Kayla Van Otterloo; and Mark & Deb Van't Hul

Our Care Center Residents

Whispering Heights

Esther De Roan

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

- ♦ Cornerstone Prison Ministry

Denominational Requests

- ♦ (ReFrame) *Today devotions* - Pray with a woman named Karen as she continues cancer treatment. She shared, "God bless those who minister to people in need of comfort. A kind minister prayed with me before I went in for cancer treatment. She clasped my hand in prayer and gave me much comfort. She shared a copy of the Today devotions with me."

HOW ARE YOU FEEDING YOUR FIRE OF FAITH?



THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Sunday - April De Kam, Niki Pollema

Monday - Ethan Van't Hul

Wednesday - Remi Elgersma, Carol Van't Hul

Thursday - Karen Jansen, Katlien Van Der Weide, Mitchel Van't Hul

Friday - Kyler Pollema

Saturday - Faith Kirkley

FUTURE DATES

March 24 - Palm Sunday

March 25 - Book Club Discussion Night

March 27 - YG Bingo Night/Cadet-O-Rama

March 28 - Maundy Thursday/Communion

March 29 - Good Friday Service

March 30 - Kingdom Boundaries Work Day

March 31 - Easter Services - No SS/Catechism/Choir

April 1 - Council Meeting

April 3 - CEC Taco Supper

April 14 - Mission Presentation Night

April 22 - SC Gospel Mission-Care Groups 3 & 5

April 23 - SF Gospel Mission-Care Groups 1 & 8

April 28 - Christian Ed. Sunday/Last session SS/Cat.

SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rock Valley Christian School:

◊ No SCRIP Orders this week

◊ Spring Break - No School - March 20-22

◊ Looking ahead:

- Full day - Wednesday, March 27

- Preschool Open House - Wednesday, March 27 - 6:00-6:30pm - Preschool Room

- No School - Friday, March 29 - Good Friday

◊ As the RVCS Annual Meeting approaches in June, the RVCS Board of Directors is seeking individuals with gifts and talents in finance/building/grounds who would be interested and willing to serve a 3-year term on the board. Positions to be filled for 2024 are Partners in Faith, Calvin CRC, Trinity CRC, and an at-large member. To place nominations, please contact Andy Van Roekel at 470-6490 or email at andy.vanroekel@gmail.com.



Western Christian High School:

◊ Spring Break - No School - March 18-22

◊ Looking ahead:

- No School - Friday, March 29 - Good Friday

- Are you ready for high school? On **Thursday, April 4** we would like to welcome all **8th grade students and parents** to Western Christian High School. We will serve a free supper to our guests between 5:15-6:15pm, and the main program will start in the Event Center at 6:15pm. We ask that parents and students attend 8th Grade Day together. If you have any questions, please contact Brad Vis at brad.vis@westernchristianhs.com or by cell 605-359-5704.

Rock Valley Community School:

◊ Parent Teacher Conferences - March 21 & 26 - 4:00-8:00pm

◊ Looking ahead:

- 2:00pm dismissal - Wednesday, March 27

- Spring Break - No School - March 28 - April 1

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

www.firstccrv.org/resources

6:00 PM Divine Worship

Piano Prelude

Hymn Sing

"Wonderful, Merciful Savior"

PH:1-3

"How Can I Keep from Singing"

WH:1-2

Call to Worship

Silent Prayer

*Declaration of Trust in God

*God's Greeting

***Song of Praise: "O Church Arise"**

GH:1-3

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

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

GH

The Heidelberg Catechism - Lord's Day 1 Q/A 1 (read responsively)

Congregational Prayer

***Song of Preparation: "Speak, O Lord"**

GH:1-3

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture: Multiple Selected Passages

Sermon: **"GOD OUR FATHER"**

Prayer for God's Blessing on the Preached Word

***Song of Application:**

"How Deep the Father's Love for Us"

WH:1-3

Offertory Prayer/Offering: Siouxland Unity

*Benediction

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

CH:4

*Piano Postlude

Pianist: Carisa Maassen

*Please stand if you are able

FIRST CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH - ROCK VALLEY, IOWA
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)

----- Care Group 1 -----
----- Care Group 2 -----
----- Care Group 3 -----
----- Care Group 4 -----
----- Care Group 5 -----
----- Care Group 6 -----
----- Care Group 7 -----
----- Care Group 8 -----

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, Jaydn 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, Steph K, Jill M, Brenda P
Flowers Marva Haak, Karla Van Kley, Carol Van't Hul
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Library Committee Joyce VE (Chr.), Diana DG, Carol DR, Hilaine K, Lois P, Judy VO
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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 or Megan at mribbens@gmail.com)

Rev. Sosthene & Kara Maletougou-West Africa (email smaletougou@crcna.org)

Rev. Mark & Jinhee Klompien-Nepal (mklompien@crcna.org)