

*He lives,
he lives,*

*Christ Jesus
lives today!*



EASTER SUNDAY
March 31, 2024
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:**

"Come, People of the Risen King"

GH:1-3

Responsive Reading of God's Law

Song of Salvation:

"Low in the Grave He Lay"

BsH 357:1-3

Congregational Prayer

***Song of Preparation:**

"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"

PsH 356:1-3

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture: Job 19:23-29 (page 480/811); John 20:1-21 (page 1005/1685)

Sermon: **"I KNOW MY REDEEMER LIVES"**

Prayer for God's Blessing on the Preached Word

***Song of Response:**

"Resurrection Hymn"

GH:1-3

Offertory Prayer/Offering: Justice For All & Building Fund

Ministry of Music - "My Redeemer Lives" - Adult Choir

*Benediction

***Closing Song: "Agnus Dei"**

LUYH:1

*Organ Postlude

Organist: Ranae Kooistra

*Please stand if you are able

**FIRST CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH
ROCK VALLEY, IOWA
March 31, 2024 - EASTER SUNDAY**

WELCOME!

"He arose! He arose! Hallelujah Christ arose!"

*We come together to rejoice and celebrate the resurrection of
our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, on this Easter Sunday!*

TODAY

-- There will be no Catechism or Sunday School classes and no Children's Choir or Adult Choir practice today.

-- April Faith & Life Newsletters are available in the bulletin racks.

EXPRESSIONS OF APPRECIATION & PRAISE

-- *Thank you to the Adult Choir for blessing us with your song of praise during our morning worship service! Thank you to Rachelle Vanden Bos for leading the choir!*

-- *We would like to thank the congregation for all the prayers offered on our behalf on our mission trip to Guatemala. Thank you for the generous monetary and supply donations! We thank God for watching over us and we have been blessed to see God at work in so many ways! 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*

-- *Thank you to all of the volunteers who spent time helping out at the Kingdom Boundaries Apartment Buildings yesterday. Your time and faithful service is a blessing to the work being done for the future residents who will all this place home!*

-- Don Postma will be celebrating his 90th birthday on Tuesday, April 2! The family would like to honor him with a card shower. Please send birthday greetings to Don at their home address: 1014 9th Ave., Rock Valley.

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

-- The *first* offering received today will be for **Justice For All**, and the *second* offering and *evening* offering will be for our **Building Fund**. The offerings for next week will be for Tuition Assistance and One Body One Hope.

-- The Elders/Deacons will have a Council meeting tomorrow, Monday, April 1, at 6:30pm.

-- 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 tomorrow, Monday, April 1!***

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

- Pastor Matt will be on his annual study leave April 2-8. If you have any needs or concerns during this time, please contact your Care Group Elder.
- The Christian Education Chapter will be holding their annual **Taco Supper** this week *Wednesday, April 3*, serving from 5:30-7:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. Come show your support and enjoy a delicious meal!
- Next week Sunday, April 7, we will welcome Rev. Todd Zuidema as he leads our morning worship service, and Rev. Duane Tinklenberg as he leads our evening worship service.
- A **Mission Presentation Night** is scheduled for the evening of *Sunday, April 14*.
- It is our turn to deliver **Meals on Wheels** the week of *April 15-19*. If you are able to deliver meals and bless the elderly in our community, please sign-up on the sheet which is provided on the table in the Narthex.
- **Care Groups #3 & #5** will serve at the *Sioux City Gospel Mission* on Monday, April 22, at 7:00pm.
- **Care Groups #1 & #8** will serve at the *Sioux Falls Gospel Mission* on Tuesday, April 23, at 7:00pm.
- The final week of Sunday School and Catechism classes for this season will be *Sunday, April 28*, which is Christian Education Sunday.
- 2nd Grade RVCS Cook Books are available for purchase on the table in the Narthex.
- **Parents & Graduates** of 8th grade, high school, college, and/or graduate school, please submit your picture and a brief description of your future plans for school and/or work for our May Graduate Newsletter **by April 21!** Please timely submit your information directly to Carla Jansma - djansma@alliancecom.net.

Remember

If you've accepted Christ, then you are a new creation.

The old you, replaced. The old sin, erased.

The devil's work, disgraced by Jesus.

*"May it never be that I would boast, except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ,
through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.*

Galatians 6:14

March 31, 2024 - Easter Sunday

PRAISE TEAM:

Lanae H, Ashley VO,
Andy VR, Mike B

USHERS:

East: Jeff E, Rick D
West: Joe M, Gene L

NURSERY:

AM: Jill M, Jackie R,
Kaysha A, Noah DK
PM: Lisa P, Mason J

GREETERS:

AM: Harm & Bonnie W
Glenn & Leah W
Blak & Genae Z
PM: Ryan & Jamie Z
Evan & Kim A
Howie & Lynette A

NARTHEX: John & Carol

OFFERING:

AM: Justice For All
PM: Building Fund

LETTERS:

Ribbens: Mike H
Maletoungou: Eddie H
Klomprens: Leonard H

ORGANIST: Ranae K

April 7, 2024

PRAISE TEAM:

Rachelle VB, Tracy B,
Evan VB, Randy VK

USHERS:

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

NURSERY:

AM: Jackie R, Ellen VB
Rashana M, Jaelyn K
PM: Laurie VK, Harper VB

GREETERS:

AM: Mike & Tammy B
Myron & Amy B
Austin & Allison B
PM: Dan & Shannon B
Elmer & Lori B
Karl & Alyssa B

NARTHEX: Rog & Hilaine

OFFERING:

AM: Tuition Assistance
PM: One Body One Hope

LETTERS:

Ribbens: Steve H
Maletoungou: Betty H
Klomprens: Darwin H

PIANIST: Krista VE

SERMON NOTES:

March 31, 2024 - EASTER SUNDAY

TODAY: 6:45 AM: Community Easter Sunrise Service - St. Mary's Catholic Church
9:30 AM: Morning Worship Service
6:00 PM: Evening Worship Service

MON: 6:30 PM: Council Meeting

TUES: 9:45 AM: Coffee Break - Galatians - Lesson 6

WED: 5:30 PM: CEC Taco Supper

PRAYER REMINDERS

Health, Healing, & Peace

- ◆ Pastor Dan De Groot

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 Klompfen - classically supported missionaries in Nepal

Classical Missions

- ◆ Siouxland Unity CRC

Denominational Requests

- ◆ (Resonate) *Easter Sunday* - As we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus today, let us give thanks for the good news of God's amazing plan to redeem all of creation. Please pray with us as we seek to support and equip Christian Reformed churches and members joining God on mission. Ask the Holy Spirit for courage, wisdom, and guidance as our denomination shares the love of Christ.

HOW ARE YOU FEEDING YOUR FIRE OF FAITH?



THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Sunday - Abby Altena

Tuesday - Don Postma (90)

Wednesday - Carol De Roon, Stephanie Elgersma

Thursday - Emeri Bliet, *the Clarence Klarenbeek's (65)*

Saturday - Kyle Hoogendoorn, Kim Van Tilburg, *the Dick Jansma's*

FUTURE DATES

April 14 - Mission Presentation Night

April 15-19 - Meals on Wheels

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

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

April 28 - Christian Education Sunday/Last session SS/Catechism

SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rock Valley Christian School:

◇ SC RIP Orders due - Monday, April 1 - 9:00am

◇ 2:30pm dismissal - Wednesday, April 3

◇ ARROWS Prayer Warriors - 8:30am - Friday, April 5 - All are welcome to pray with us!

◇ 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:

◇ 9:25am start - Wednesday, April 3

◇ 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.

◇ We invite you to attend the Annual Western Christian Foundation Luncheon. This will be held at noon on Wednesday, April 24, in the Western Christian Event Center. Mr. Brad Van Heuvelen, Chief Wealth Management Officer at Peoples Bank will be the guest speaker. Lunch will be provided by Beyer Catering and Amie Smit and the Western Christian Orchestra will provide special music. Please RSVP to Brad Vis - brad.vis@westernchristianhs.com or reach him by cell phone - 605-359-5704 if you plan to attend. We hope to see you there.

Rock Valley Community School:

◇ 1:00pm dismissal - Wednesday, April 3



COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

www.firstcrrv.org/resources

6:00 PM Divine Worship

Organ Prelude

Call to Worship

Silent Prayer

*Declaration of Trust in God

*God's Greeting

***Song of Praise:**

"Angels Roll the Rock Away"

BsH 359:1-2

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

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

GH

The Belgic Confession - Article 8 (read responsively)

Congregational Prayer

***Songs of Preparation:**

"Creator Spirit, by Whose Aid"

GsH:1,3

"Spirit of God, Dwell Thou Within My Heart"

PsH:1,3,4

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture: 1 Samuel 4:12-22 (page 249/425)

Sermon: **"LEADERS GET THINGS DONE"**

Prayer for God's Blessing on the Preached Word

***Song of Application:**

"Afflicted Saint, to Christ Draw Near"

SG:1-3

Offertory Prayer/Offering: Building Fund

*Benediction

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

CH:4

*Organ Postlude

Organist: Ranae Kooistra

*Please stand if you are able

