

# Church Calendar

**Lord's Supper Sunday ~ February 10**

**Grow Group Sunday; 5-7pm** Youth Group; Offering: General Fund

**Monday ~ February 11**

**9:30am** – Prayer for Persecuted Believers ~ rm 12/13

**6:30pm** – Count Committee

**Tuesday ~ February 12**

**1:30-3:00pm** – Staff meeting; **6:30pm** Deacon's Meeting

**Wednesday ~ February 13**

**8:00am** – Men's Breakfast Bible Study in Emerson House

**6:30pm** - Coffee Break in Emerson Housep[[... ,.....//;pp,mnp[

**6:30pm** - *Beloved of God* Yoga

**Thursday ~ February 14 ~ *Happy Valentine's Day!***

**Friday ~ February 15** - Library is staffed

**Saturday ~ February 16**

**7:00am** – Men's Morning Bible Study

**Sunday ~ February 17: *Ecclesiastes Series*** continues

No Sunday School; Offering is for Benevolence Fund

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## Thank you to all serving this Sunday, February 10th

**Children in Worship:** Kelsie Ruter, Isaac Jonker, Aaron Elgersma, Ali Schroder

**Nursery:** Christine Nibbelink, Julie Lamsma, Jacob Van Donselaar, Owen Vermeer

**Camera:** Mieke Waanders **Lyrics:** Ari Waanders **Sound:** Jon Waanders

**Prayer Ministry Elders:** Fred Ritsema & Nancy Waanders

**Coffee:** Schaefer/Schuttinga

## Thank you to all serving next Sunday, February 17th

**Children in Worship:** Julie Lamsma, Becky Vermeer, Natalie Roberts, Marissa Bol

**Nursery:** Leader –Cristin Buys, Paul DeBoer, Mieke Waanders, Darrin Gunnett

**Camera:** Ian Reynolds **Lyrics:** Charlotte Reynolds **Sound:** Bob Reynolds

**Prayer Ministry Elders:** Cal Van Heukelem & Anne Buteyn

**Coffee:** Jonkers

**Newcomers, guests and visitors:** Hot tea, cocoa and coffee are available in back; prayer elders are available up front to support you on your faith journey. We have *Connect cards* in the pew pockets to help us to communicate with you. We celebrate the Lord's Supper today. All baptized believers, who place their faith in Jesus Christ for salvation, are welcome to participate.

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## Reading the Moravian Text

together in 2019. Pastor Bret has ordered 2019 devotionals. Donations to offset the cost are appreciated: \$10 for the small books & \$15 for the Journal. Books will be on a table in the foyer. You can place your offering in the green box. Please access the Moravian Church web site if you would like to receive the Daily Scripture readings via email: [www.moravian.org](http://www.moravian.org).

**Save The Date: March 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm:** First Christian Reformed Church Faith & Family night for the **Colorado Avalanche Hockey Game** at the Pepsi Center with Danny Oertli concert. \$25 Ticket price includes game, concert and \$10 food/beverage credit.

**Visit: [Avalanche.KSETickets.com/FCR](http://Avalanche.KSETickets.com/FCR)** to reserve seats (no fees or taxes). Handicap seating is available by calling Will Kelley #303.405.6197.

*Our First Church section has 14 seats left, so order your tickets ASAP! We may still be able to reserve more seats at the discounted price.*

## Family Promise Update:

Plans for our first Family Promise host week (**April 7-14**) are going well. If you have any questions about volunteering or about the program, contact:

- Bret Lamsma ([bret@firstcrdenver.org](mailto:bret@firstcrdenver.org)) - Overall Coordinator
- Chris/Amanda Lighthiser ([clighthiser@gmail.com](mailto:clighthiser@gmail.com))- Grocery Coordinators
- Ed Schans ([ejs-62@comcast.net](mailto:ejs-62@comcast.net)) - Transportation Coordinator
- Jill Schreurs ([jill.schreurs@gmail.com](mailto:jill.schreurs@gmail.com)) - Meal Coordinator
- Mary Lanser ([marylanser@gmail.com](mailto:marylanser@gmail.com)) - Facilities Coordinator
- Melanie Jonker ([melanie.jonker@gmail.com](mailto:melanie.jonker@gmail.com)) -Overnight Coordinator

We are less than two months away from our first host week for Family Promise. If you haven't already, please **put April 7-14 on your calendars** as we'll need all the help we can get that week! Before we host our first week, we need to have some training for every person who will have contact with our guests throughout our weeks. So if you would like to be a van driver, evening host, overnight host, or would just like to know more about the program and how we will be running things during our host weeks you need to attend one of these training meetings.

The dates and times are **Wednesday, February 20 from 6-8 pm**, **Sunday February 24 from 5-7 pm**, or **Sunday March 10 from 11 am -1 pm**. *Everyone who will have contact with our guests MUST ATTEND ONE OF THESE MEETINGS!* Even if you aren't sure if you might possibly want to be involved at a future date please attend! **Family Promise staff will be at each of the meetings** to help walk us through the program and members of our leadership team will be at each meeting as well to talk about how Family Promise will work at our church. *Please sign up for one of these meetings in the back of church as soon as possible. If you have any questions please talk to Pastor Bret at any time.*

## **Grow Group Meal Locations: February 10**

**GG#1:** Newcombe's Home: 2158 S. Clarkson 80210

**GG#2:** Jonker's Home: 3690 E. Dartmouth Ave. 80210

**GG#3:** Van Heukelem's Home: 2319 S. Columbine St. 80210

**GG#4:** VanDonselaar's Home: 3736 E. Easter Circle S Centennial, 80122

**GG#5:** Mike and Deb Van Ep's home: 2691 S. Vine Denver, CO 80210

**GG#6:** Church Basement or Pit Stop

## **Disaster Response Services Learning Webinars**

Do you have questions about volunteering with DRS, or know someone who does? Have questions answered on Tuesday, February 19, 12 PM EST. Hear from DRS program managers Diana Marquez & Chris Gibson. To register, [click here](#).

## **First Christian Reformed Church #303.733.4936**

**Church Office Hours: Tuesday ~ Friday 9:00am to 3:00pm**

**Address: 1814 South Emerson Street, Denver, CO 80210**

Pastor Joel Schreurs:	Minister of the Word	ext. 101
Shirley Van Heukelem:	Programs & Office Admin.	ext. 104
Kyle Cooper:	Worship Coordinator	ext. 103
Bret Lamsma:	Director of Faith Formation	ext. 105
Larry Young:	Custodial & facilities	#303-582-4039
Rebecca J. Schaefer:	Communications & Admin.	ext. 102



## **First Christian Reformed Church**

*A Family of God, Living our Faith and Growing by:  
Joyfully surrendering to Jesus, Freely sharing our lives,  
and Humbly embracing the hurting.*

## **February 10, 2019 ~ Grow Group Sunday**

Prelude  
Welcome  
Processional

Call to Worship: Psalm 19:1-4  
The heavens declare the glory of God;  
**the skies proclaim the work of His hands.**  
Day after day they pour forth speech;  
**night after night they reveal knowledge.**  
They have no speech, they use no words;  
no sound is heard from them.  
**Yet their voice goes out into all the earth,  
their words to the ends of the world.**

\*Songs:  
*We Sing the Mighty Power of God*  
*O Worship the King LUYH 2*

\*God's Greeting  
People of God, from where does your help come?  
**Our help comes from the Lord,  
The Maker of heaven and earth.**  
Grace, mercy and peace be yours in the name of the Triune God:  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. **Amen**

Children In Worship: *Children ages 3 to Kindergarten are invited to hear God's Word downstairs. Parents and guardians are always welcome.*

Leader: We are God's family.  
We joyfully surrender to Jesus.  
We freely share our lives.  
We humbly embrace the hurting.

People: **The Lord be with you,**  
Children: **And also with you.**

Meditation: *How's Your Diet?*

Testimonies of God's Grace:

Alan Natelborg  
Karen Waanders  
Kelli Schuttinga  
Sharon Engel  
Kyle Cooper

Offering: General Fund

Offertory: *How Far We've Come*

Words of Institution:

We give thanks to God the Father  
that our Savior, Jesus Christ, before He suffered,  
gave us this memorial of His sacrifice, until He comes again.  
At His last supper, the Lord Jesus took bread,  
and when He had given thanks, He broke it  
and said, "This is My body, which is for you;  
do this in remembrance of Me."  
In the same way, He took the cup after supper  
and said, "This cup is the *new covenant* in My blood;  
do this in remembrance of Me."  
For whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,  
we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

Prayer for the Work of the Spirit

Living God,  
Send your Holy Spirit upon us as we share Your heavenly meal;  
nourish us with Your grace so that we are strengthened  
to do Your work in this world; unite us with You so that we are renewed;  
and join us with Your covenant people throughout time and space  
so that all divisions will be healed. May we gratefully and joyfully  
remember that Jesus, our Savior, lived, died, and rose to give us new life  
and make us new creations in Him. May we live in the hope we discover  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Invitation

Distribution Song: *Behold the Lamb* LUYH 840

Communion

Sending Prayer

\*Psalm 19:7-13

The law of the Lord is perfect, refreshing the soul.

**The statutes of the Lord are trustworthy, making wise the simple.**

The precepts of the Lord are right, giving joy to the heart.

**The commands of the Lord are radiant, giving light to the eyes.**

The fear of the Lord is pure, enduring forever.

**The decrees of the Lord are firm, and all of them are righteous.**

They are more precious than gold, than much pure gold;

**they are sweeter than honey, than honey from the honeycomb.**

\*Sending Song: *Speak O Lord* LUYH 755

\*Blessing

\*Postlude: *Speak O Lord* reprise

Minister of the Word: Rev. Joel Schreurs

Director of Faith Formation: Dr. Bret Lamsma

Worship Coordinator: Kyle Cooper with First CRC Band

Accompanist: Christy Bol

## Up ~ Prayer and Praise:

*Our Persecuted Believer's prayer focus will be for the country of **Yemen** during January/February. Please look for a prayer sheet by the silver message board with two prayers written by Yemen believers. Yemen Christians are being denied food and water relief distributed by local mosques in conjunction with Islamic State.*

We rejoice with **Chris Vanden Broeke:**

"Well friends and family-God is so good! My PET Scan shows no evidence of Cancer anywhere in my body!!!! Isn't that a miracle with the Lords intervention! There might be a chance of a small lump in my chest but Oncologist feels it's a very small chance! I'm skipping the Immunology Treatment for 3 weeks to see if I can maybe get some of my energy back and then decide to do maintenance. Please share with many Prayer Warriors. Blessings to you all! Words do not express my Gratitude!

**Jack and Jean Allen** really appreciate all the visits, prayer and support from the First Church family.

**Betty Klap** is resting comfortably at home after successful hand surgery.

We pray for **Ryan Horinga** for complete healing for a leg injury.

We pray for strengthened faith and renewed hope for **struggling marriages**.

We pray for fellowship for the lonely and godly **companionship for singles**.

## IN ~ Events & Upcoming Activities

**Visitors and Regular Attenders** - Have you ever wanted to know more about First Church or about becoming a member of First Church? We would love to talk to you! Connect with Pastor Bret or Pastor Joel, and we can arrange a time to talk about the benefits and responsibilities of being a member of this community.

**Sunday School Teachers** - SAVE THE DATE - **Sunday, March 3, noon to 1:30pm** for a thank-you luncheon. We'd love to have you all there!

**Save the Date!!! Women of First CRC:** We have a date, venue and speaker lined up for our 2019 Fall Retreat. Put **September 27-29** on your calendars. We will meet in Breckenridge Friday evening through noon on Sunday. More details to follow. Contact Shirley Van Heukelem at [shirley@firstcrcdenver.org](mailto:shirley@firstcrcdenver.org) if you have questions.

**Stamp Class** Greeting Card Group: meets monthly (typically the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday) to create the lovely cards available for your use on the Narthex welcome tables. If you would like more information, please contact Carol Kats: [crkats@yahoo.com](mailto:crkats@yahoo.com)

**Prayer group for Persecuted Believer's** meets on the second Monday at 9:30am in room 12/13 to lift up those who cannot worship freely without fear of potential punishment or violence. Next meeting is Monday, **February 11<sup>th</sup>**.

**Men's Wednesday Am Bible Study** breakfast has changed their starting time to **8:00-9:00am**; coffee is on at 7:30 in Emerson house across from church.

**College Student Support: February 10<sup>th</sup>**, Youth Group will be preparing encouragement boxes for our College age students this evening; Candy, snacks, microwave popcorn, baked goods, school supplies, post it notes, and other small items to fit into a pre-paid postage box. A collections bin is in the foyer.

## OUT ~ Living Our Faith & Growing by

**Joyfully Surrendering To Jesus ~**

**Urgent Need for Missionaries** - How is God calling you to spread the gospel? Resonate has an urgent need for people to step into ministry in North America and throughout the world. You might be surprised by how God can use your knowledge, skills and abilities to expand His kingdom. Explore volunteer and career opportunities by visiting [resonateglobalmission.org/go](http://resonateglobalmission.org/go).

**Freely Sharing Our Lives ~**

**Camp Invention** is coming to *St. John's Lutheran School* this summer. Camp Invention is a week-long hands on STEM camp [INVENT.ORG/CAMP](http://INVENT.ORG/CAMP). Camp takes place **June 24-28 from 9:00am – 3:30pm**. See flyers in the back for more information, or contact Sara Ribbens: [sararibbens@gmail.com](mailto:sararibbens@gmail.com).

**Hillcrest Church** is hoping to welcome an intern from Calvin this summer! He is married with three kids (7, 5, 4 mos). Do you know of anyone who may have an open house this summer from June to mid August? Please contact **Eric Snyder** <[ericpsnyder@gmail.com](mailto:ericpsnyder@gmail.com)>

**Humbly Embracing The Hurting ~**

This is the time of year for thanksgiving, reflection and planning for another trip to **Honduras**. This is thirteenth (13) year we have, under the direction of **Living Water International (LWI)**, taken drill/hygiene teams to Central America. We are thankful for the opportunities and experiences many of us have had providing clean water for poor communities and schools.

In 2019 we are planning another **drill/hygiene trip November 2-9** in northeast Honduras. The cost for the trip is \$1950 per person which includes transportation, food and lodging upon leaving the Houston airport. Fifty percent (50%) of the cost is due six (6) months before the trip or by May 2, 2019. The balance will be due two (2) months before our trip. Suitable passports and immunization shots are required. The age range for team members is from 14 to 88 with 14 and 15 year olds accompanied by a parent.

All applications to register must be completed on-line six (6) months before the scheduled trip. Prior to registration a security check costing about \$50 is necessary. The registration and security link for Honduras is obtained from LWI's Honduras Trip Coordinator, Kim Rathgeber ( 877 594 4426 ). Her email is [kim@water.cc](mailto:kim@water.cc).

We accept team members on a first come, first serve basis. Please notify me, Al Wassenaar, [awassenaar@cox.net](mailto:awassenaar@cox.net) when you register. Anyone needing more information, please call Kim or me at 720 530 0907, or go on line to LWI website [www.water.cc](http://www.water.cc) The need for clean, safe water is emerging countries still exists for over 600 million people. A high percentage of Hondurans do not have access to clean and safe drinking water. Consider joining the LWI team for a vacation with a purpose by drilling a clean water well for the poor. If you have any questions or need additional information please contact Al Wassenaar at [awassenaar@cox.net](mailto:awassenaar@cox.net).

**Help Needed**

**Administrative Assistant Needed:** *Volunteers in Action* has a ministry position opening for a 10 hour per week Administrative Assistant. This involves providing administrative and office assistance, bookkeeping assistance and distributing organizational communications. If interested, please e-mail a cover letter and resume to [donnh@volunteersinaction.info](mailto:donnh@volunteersinaction.info) or sent to Volunteers in Action, 9185 E. Kenyon Ave. #130, Denver, CO 80237. Feel free to contact Donn Hansum at 303-713-9144 if you have questions.