

# Church Calendar

Welcome guests and visitors! Elders will be up front with prayer nametags after the service, to answer any questions and pray with you. Please fill out a Connect Card (found in the pew Bibles). Return Connect Cards to the Elder up front.

## Lord's Supper Sunday ~ February 2<sup>nd</sup>

Pastor Joel is Preaching; offering is for Joshua Station: *Part of Mile High Ministries, Joshua Station is a faith-based community helping families make the transition from homelessness to a healthy, stable living environment.*

**11:00am** - Age-specific Sunday School and "Growing With" class.

## Monday ~ February 3<sup>rd</sup>

## Tuesday ~ February 4<sup>th</sup>

**1:30pm** Staff meeting; **2:30pm** Meeting in the Library

## Family Night Wednesday ~ February 5<sup>th</sup>

**9:30am** - Ladies' AM Bible Study

**5:45pm-6:15pm: Family Night Meal** (*Council Serving/Henry Z. Dishes*)

**6:30pm** - Elder's Mtg., GEMS/Cadets, Movie Group, Coffee Break in Emerson

**6:45pm** - Beloved of God Yoga downstairs

## Thursday ~ February 6<sup>th</sup>

**NO Sew & Sews**

## Friday ~ February 7<sup>th</sup>:

**9:30am-11:30am** Library

## Saturday ~ February 8<sup>th</sup>

**10:00am**- Circle of Hope in rm. 21

## Grow Group Sunday: ~ February 9<sup>th</sup>

Pastor Joel is preaching, offering is for CEAF (Christian Education Assistance Fund), Hayes Ruter Baptism, Family Promise Week Begins.

**3:45pm** Youth Group meets at *Laser Quest*: 8988 E. Hampden Ave.

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## Thank you to all serving this Sunday, February 2

**CIW: Lea Gunnett**, Deb Van Eps, Andrew Van den Boogaard, Annika DeBoer

**Nursery: Cristin Buys**, Randy Schwager, Lilli Vermeer, Natalie Roberts

**Camera: Matthew Jonker** **Lyrics: Micah DeHaan** **Sound: Jim DeHaan**

**Prayer Ministry Elders: Dave Cady & Jim DeHaan**

**Coffee: Cadys**

**Lord's Supper: Northeast Group: Anne Buteyn/Donn Hansum**

## Thank you to all serving next Sunday, February 9

**CIW: Karen Waanders**, Jessica Cleveland, Erica Bol, Adam DeBoer

**Nursery: Davinia Lyon**, Aaron Elgersma, Elianah Reynolds, Seth Soodsma

**Camera: Owen Vermeer** **Lyrics: Davis Addink** **Sound: Logan Posthumus**

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

**Coffee: Schaefer/Schuttinga**

## Missions Update:

### February 2020 Birthdays:

Claire Froehlich 4<sup>th</sup>

Calvin Cady - 13<sup>th</sup>

### Missionary Prayer Requests:

Please pray for **Chaplain Claire** Froehlich as she travels to attend to her family. Her mother-in-law, Allene, is at the end of her long battle with cancer. Pray for travel mercies and for her students while she is away.

Pray for our mission family **in China** to be protected from the coronavirus, for opportunity to share the love and hope of Jesus and for provision for all their needs through the wonderful riches of Christ Jesus.

### Bulletin Art:

In Scripture the grain from which bread is made is a symbol of *God's nourishing our whole being*. Most familiar in the Old Testament is the manna given to the Israelites to physically sustain them through the wilderness. The loaves placed in the tabernacle represented their spiritual sustenance through God's continuing care. The New Testament contains many examples of people being fed. In the Lord's Supper these elements come together in our rendering thanks through communal remembrance of the Incarnate Word, Christ's body broken and raised for us. In this design the wheat is accompanied by the cup, a symbol of Christ's blood shed for us. May we share in the Lord's banquet until Christ comes again!

### Our next Family Promise Host Week is February 9-16!

We are still in need of more volunteers for our upcoming *Family Promise* hosting week (**February 9-16**). Please sign up in the back of church or online today- <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050F4AAFA923A0F94-family2> and find one way you can support the families God brings to First CRC. Do not hesitate to sign-up if you have not taken formal training. Pastor Bret can prepare you to serve.

### Save the Date: February 26<sup>th</sup>: Ash Wednesday evening service at Hope.

Hope Fellowship has invited First CRC to join them for an Ash Wednesday service. Time and details to follow.

*Please note the correct Grow Group list and designated areas as follows. If you have any questions regarding Grow groups, please contact [Shirley@firstcrcdenver.org](mailto:Shirley@firstcrcdenver.org).*

**Our next Grow Group pot-luck Meals are February 9<sup>th</sup>**, immediately following worship at the these locations:

1	North	Van Heukelem	Kieft's: 2878 Florence St. 80238
2	Northeast	Anne Buteyn	Morningside Clubhouse: 7100 E. Hamilton
3	Southeast	Dave Cady	Paul DeBoer's: 3940 S. Tamarac Ct. 80237
4	South	Cathy VanDonselaar	<b>Downstairs in Fellowship Hall</b> - Visitors to First CRC welcome! Plenty of food for all.
5	Southwest	Jim DeHaan	Draijer's: 7618 S. Cedar Circle 80120
6	Northwest	Fred Ritsema	Newcombe's: 2158 S. Clarkson 80210

*Visitors, Newcomers or First-timers are invited to lunch downstairs on Feb. 9<sup>th</sup>!*

### Freely Sharing Our Lives ~

Want to help with the census, while serving our community? 2020 Census jobs are flexible, well-paying temporary jobs (Census takers in Denver and Jefferson Counties will be paid \$20.50/hour + mileage).The application can be completed online: [www.2020Census.gov/jobs](http://www.2020Census.gov/jobs). If you have any questions, please call (303) 256-0900 and ask to speak with someone in the Recruiting department.

## First Christian Reformed Church #303.733.4936

**1814 South Emerson Street, Denver 80210**

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

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

Lord's Supper Sunday~ February 2, 2020

*A Family of God Living Our Faith and Growing by...*

*Joyfully surrendering to Jesus, Freely sharing our lives and Humbly embracing the Hurting.*

## Gathering

Prelude  
Welcome  
Processional

### \*Call to Worship:

The earth is the Lord's for He made it:

**Come, let us adore Him.**

Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness:

**Come, let us adore Him.**

The mercy of the Lord is everlasting.

**Come, let us adore Him.**

Lord, open our lips.

**And our mouths shall proclaim Your praise.**

Songs: *Praise the Lord Ye Heavens* (Marshall)

*Holy, Holy, Holy* LUYH 538:1,3,4

### \*Litany of Praise:

The earth is the LORD'S and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it;

**For He has founded it on the seas, and established it on the rivers.**

Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD? And who shall stand in His holy place?

**Those who have clean hands and pure hearts,**

**who do not lift up their souls to what is false,**

**and do not swear deceitfully.** Psalm 24:1-4

\* Song: *Kwake Yesu nasimama/ Here on Jesus Christ I Will Stand* (LUYH 708)

God's Greeting and Mutual Greeting

\* indicates where we stand. Congregation proclaims the words in **BOLD** print.

## Renewal

Prayer for Intercession and Gratitude  
Offering: *Joshua Station*  
Offertory  
Offertory Prayer

## Word

Children in Worship Sending: *Our littlest worshippers follow leaders downstairs for special songs, activities, Bible teaching and prayer. Parents are always welcome!*  
Leader: When I listen to You, God,  
I am like a tree planted by a river,  
a tree full of fruit with leaves that are always green.  
Congregation: **The Lord be with you.**  
Children: **And also with you.**

Song: *Ancient Words* (LUYH 762)

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 1:18-30  
*The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God*

Sermon: *Something to Brag About*  
Prayer

## Table

\*The Thanksgiving  
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right for us to give thanks and praise.**

With joy we praise You, gracious God, for You have created heaven and earth, made us in Your image, and kept covenant with us—even when we fell into sin. We give you thanks for Jesus Christ, our Lord, who by His life, death, and resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore we join our voices with all the saints and angels and the whole creation to proclaim the glory of Your name:

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of Your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

The Institution: 1 Cor. 11:23-26  
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. Therefore we proclaim our faith as signed and sealed in this sacrament:  
**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Prayer of Consecration  
Lord, our God, Send Your Holy Spirit so that this bread and cup may be for us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ.  
May we, and all your saints, be united with Christ and remain faithful in hope and love.  
Gather your whole church, O Lord, into the glory of Your kingdom.  
We pray in the name of Jesus, who taught us to pray:

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Invitation and Distribution  
*Not What My Hands Have Done* (LUYH 624:1,3)  
*God of Grace, Amazing Wonder* (Getty)  
*How Deep the Father’s Love for Us*

\*Communion  
\*Prayer

## Sending

\*Sending Litany: Phil 3:7-9. Jeremiah 9, Heidelberg Catechism, Q & A 60:  
How are you righteous before God?  
**Without any merit of my own, out of sheer grace,  
God grants and credits to me the perfect satisfaction,  
righteousness, and holiness of Christ, as Christ was obedient for me.  
All I need to do is accept this gift with a believing heart.**  
Let not the wise boast of their wisdom or the strong boast of their strength, or the rich boast of their riches.  
Let the one who boasts boast in the Lord.  
**Whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ.  
Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord.**  
He has given us a righteousness that is not our own, a righteousness that can come only from Him through faith.  
**Blessed be the name of the Lord!  
All praise, honor, and glory belong to him!**

\*Song: *Glory Be to Christ* (Kensrue)  
\*Benediction  
\*Postlude  
Minister of the Word: Pastor Joel Schreurs  
Director of Faith Formation: Dr. Bret Lamsma  
Worship Coordinator: Kyle Cooper, with Kevin Roberts, First CRC Band

## Up ~ Prayer and Praise

*In January/February we will pray as a church for persecuted believers in Eritrea, #6 on the new 2020 World Watch List. Government security forces have continued to conduct numerous raids on Christians and house churches, arresting hundreds of Christians being held by the government in miserable conditions. Christians are being forced to join the armed forces. Protestants, in particular, face serious problems with accessing community resources, especially state social services.*

We thank God for provision for homes for those seeking a new living space.

We thank God for faithful provision for Christian Education at all levels.

Please pray for peace, provision and strengthened faith for those facing surgeries.

We thank God for providing courage and comfort to those in recovery.

We pray for swift and complete healing for all facing flu and virus symptoms.

## IN ~ Events & Upcoming Activities

**You are invited to Family Night:** Wednesday, February 5, 2020:  
**5:45pm-6:15pm:** Free Meal is served by Council (Donations appreciated)  
**6:30pm:** GEMS girl’s club in 12/13, Cadets for boys in Pit stop, Movie Discussion: *“Hunt for the Wilderpeople”* in Library, Coffee Break Women’s Bible study & Fellowship Group: in Emerson House next door.  
**6:45pm:** Beloved of God Yoga in Fellowship Hall

**Women’s AM Bible Study** meets every other Wednesday. The next meetings are **February 5 & 19** at **9:30am** in rm. 12/13, to study *“Cultures in Conflict”* by Ray Vander Laan. Facilitated by Walt Ackerman.

**Coffee Break ~ Women’s Evening fellowship,** prayer and Bible Study meets every Wednesday at **6:30pm** in the Emerson House next to church. Everyone is welcome! Contact Beth Posthumus or Betty Eyser.

**Beloved of God Yoga** meets **Feb. 5 & 19** downstairs at 1st CRC, **6:45** pm. Our focus is strengthening and renewing bodies and minds through Christ-centered prayer and movement to restore us to do God’s work in the world.

**Men’s Wed. AM Bible Study** in Emerson House South of church, coffee is on at **7:30am** each Wednesday; Study begins at 8:00am. Led by Cal Van Heukelem.

**Men’s Sat. AM Bible Study** in rm 21, *every other* Saturday at **7am**, next month’s meetings: **February 15 & 29.** Led by Rod Oosterhouse.

**Sew & Sews:** *Sew & Sews* next meeting is **February 20<sup>th</sup>** (*no meeting February 6<sup>th</sup>*) **from 9-12n**, in room 12/13. Led by Joey Vander Ark.

**Senior Moments 2020:**  
Save these dates, and keep an eye out for more information, for interesting, fun outings for our 55 + fellowship: 2/18, 3/17, 4/21, 5/17 or 19 *depending on event* 6/16 and July is an off month. Contact Sharon Engel, or call the church office.

**Card Stampers:** Card Stamping Group is meeting **February 22<sup>nd</sup>, from 1-3pm** in rooms 12/13. Led by Carol Kats and Marj DeBoer. We have lovely cards, suitable for all occasions, on the tables in the foyer free for your use.

**Next Sunday night, February 9,** our High School Youth Group will be playing laser tag at Laser Quest (8988 E. Hampden Ave) and PARENTS ARE INVITED AS WELL! Please be at *Laser Quest at 3:45pm.* The cost for the evening is \$10, which will include 2 games and pizza. Check our weekly Youth Group email for more information or talk to a Youth Group leader today.

**Club 68 Middle School Youth** will meet **February 16** at 5pm.

## OUT ~ Serving & Sharing

**Joyfully surrendering to Jesus ~**  
Extreme Church Makeover in Honduras - Do you have a passion for renovating buildings? Do you know any skilled carpenters, plumbers, or electricians? Resonate Global Mission has a volunteer opportunity for you! We’re looking for a team to partner with a CRC church in Honduras to spruce up their new property so their ministry in their neighborhood can thrive. Do you have a team from church or school who’s ready to take on this project? Learn more by visiting [www.ResonateGlobalMission.org/makeover](http://www.ResonateGlobalMission.org/makeover).

**Humbly Embracing The Hurting ~**  
**Circle of Hope** confidential encouragement and prayer group, for those with loved ones navigating mental health issues, meets the second Saturday of the month: **February 8<sup>th</sup>,** from 10:00am-12:00pm in room 21.

**From the Deacons:**  
**Online Giving is here!** If you wish to give to First CRC other than cash or check, now you can! There are two very easy ways to do this:  
**1. Download the Church Center App** in the app store, link your bank account, select First CRC, and select the specific fund you would like to designate to (General, Benevolence, or CEAF). You can make single donations or even schedule donations using the app.  
**2. Text any amount to 84321...**You will get a text back with a web link to set up an account or make a one-time gift.  
Both of these methods will keep track of your giving the same way an envelope does. If you have any questions, please talk to any Deacon about this...we are happy to help!