

Our Sin Is Atoned For

Assurance of Pardon: Isaiah 6:6-7

Offering: *Ignite Ministries*

Offertory

Children in Worship Dismissal

Leader: The Lord is here.
The Lord is there.
The Lord is everywhere.
The Lord is high. The Lord is low.
The Lord is on the path we go.
People: **The Lord be with you.**
Children: **And also with you.**

Heidelberg Catechism: Lord's Day 15, Q & A 37

Scripture: Ephesians 2:1-10; page 1174
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon: *Sinners in the Hands of a Loving God*

Prayer for Application

*Songs of Response
Man of Sorrows
And Can It Be LUYH 695

Here We Are, Send Us!

Sending: Isaiah 6:8

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I. Send me!"

Sending Prayer

*Sending Song: *I Will Follow*

*Blessing

Postlude: *I Will Follow* reprise

Minister of The Word: Rev. Joel Schreurs
Director of Faith Formation: Dr. Bret Lamsma
Worship Coordinator: Kyle Cooper and First CRC Band
Accompanist: Barb Hogan

Up ~ Prayer

Our Congregational Prayer Focus for Persecuted Believers this July and August is the country of North Korea, #1 on the World Watch List, as the most oppressive place in the world for Christians. Pray for freedom for entire Christian families imprisoned in hard-labor camps, where unknown numbers succumb to torture, overexertion and starvation. They ask us to pray that the love of Christ will soften the hearts of all government leaders, bringing them to a place of repentance and complete surrender to Jesus. Commit to pray through the sheet in the foyer this summer.

The youth group is requesting prayer partners for the CSM mission trip to downtown Denver. The trip is **July 15-19** and we would ask prayer partners to commit to daily prayer for the student or leader that they are matched with. If you would like to give treats or notes for the person you are matched with, any packages would need to be dropped off in Bret's office **by today, Sunday, July 15th.**

Katherine Elgersma is traveling to El Salvador July 7 - July 16 on a missions trip with her Grandpa Benson. Please **pray for safety** and their work in Santa Ana, El Salvador. You can see what the group is up to on the blog that the group is posting to.
Travel Blog: <https://tlctravelblog.wordpress.com/2018/07/05/brothers-and-sisters-hermanos-2018-el-salvador-summer-trip/>

Marge Rozendaal was hospitalized this week after a fall, and the family is expecting to move her to Julia Temple for on-going care. **We pray** for sustaining grace and new mercies every morning for Marge, Wayne and family in the days ahead.

We **praise** God for His powerful healing touch upon those recovering from recent surgeries.

We **thank** our Heavenly Father for His tender mercies for those grieving the death of a loved one.

We **bless** the Lord for the tender lovingkindness He extends to those battling cancer, Parkinson's disease or chronic pain.

We **are grateful** for the precious peace of Christ for everyone navigating life's journey with mental illness, memory loss, or battling addiction.

We **offer praise** and thanksgiving for the dedication of En-Gedi Children's Home in Nairobi, Kenya, on July 7th, and for the safe return of Kay Bierling and granddaughters. We continue to entrust Margaret Njuguna and the precious children to the Lord's care.

IN ~ Events & Upcoming Activities

July 19 – Sew & Sews in Rm 12/13

July 21 – Men's Morning Bible Study

July 25 – Cinema group meets to discuss *Casa Blanca* at 6:30pm.

July 28 – Stamp Class in rm. 21, from 1-3pm

OUT ~ Living Our Faith & Growing by:

Joyfully Surrendering To Jesus: Work. Walk. Pray. - Resonate Global Mission is seeking a hiking/backpacking intern to work alongside long-term missionaries in West Africa. Hike to remote West African villages and help bring Scripture to people in their local language. Learn more and apply at www.resonateglobalmission.org/hiking.

Freely Sharing Our Lives: Loving Your Neighbor Conference – Join us July 30 - August 1 at Calvin Seminary for this year's Loving Your Neighbor Conference, where we will ask, from a variety of perspectives, "What Does 'Loving Your Migrant, Immigrant and Refugee Neighbor mean today?'" Hear from Dr. Paul Lin, professor at Vanderbilt Divinity School and this year's keynote, and a variety of other speakers whose ministries focus on migrants, immigrants, and refugees. We invite pastors, ministry leaders, and lay members to attend this conference. Register on line by visiting: www.calvinseminary.edu/neighbor.

Humbly Embracing The Hurting: How often do you use your kitchen? - Imagine living in tents during weeks of rain, without access to a kitchen (with a latrine a hike away). This is the daily reality of thousands of Rohingya refugees living outside of Cox's Bazaar, Bangladesh. You can help. Please donate \$7 or more via our partner, One Day's Wages. Go to onedayswages.com/worldrenew to give.

The Climate Witness Project (CWP) of the Christian Reformed Church was born out of the 2012 report on Creation Care to the CRC synod. The report called on Christians in the CRC to consider their personal contributions to climate change as well as their responses. Since its inception in 2014, over 600 individuals, including nearly twenty here at First Christian Reformed Church have become *Climate Witness Partners* and nearly 100 congregations have at least 3 partners. In the Denver area there are nearly 100 partners. Barry Meyer of Hope Fellowship CRC is the regional coordinator and has begun to publish a bi-monthly newsletter. If you would like to learn more or even consider becoming a partner of CWP, pick up a copy at the back of church today!

Missions Opportunity: Claire Froelich ~ YFC Denver

We have special permission to have a tour at Mt. View on **Tues Aug 14th** at 3pm so I thought that might be a great time for First CRC visitors. webpage: http://www.denverareayouthforchrist.com/events/see_the_story/see_the_story/ or email me at claire@yfcdenver.org or **call 720-771-0517**. We do need people to register before Friday Aug 10th to be approved by management. Claire A. Froehlich, MA, CACII – claire@yfcdenver.org
Chaplain, Mt View & Betty Marler Youth Services Center

Travel to Southern Spain and Andalucia region - March 2019.

Led by Prof. Cynthia Slagter, this tour includes Granada's Alhambra Palace, Sevilla's cathedral, and a walk between cities in the Alpujarras. See calvin.edu/go/travel for full tour details. Sponsored by the Calvin Alumni Association and Calvin Academy for Lifelong Learning; open to all.