

Church Calendar

Lord's Supper Sunday ~ July 7th

Pastor Joel Preaching: *The 10 Commandments*; Offering for Wajaro

Monday ~ July 8

Tuesday ~ July 9

6:30pm Deacon's Meeting

Wednesday ~ July 10

8:00am – Men's Morning Bible Study in Emerson

6:30pm – Coffee Break in Library

6:30pm - Elder's Meeting in rm. 24

Thursday ~ July 11

9-12 Sew & Sews in rms. 12/13

Friday ~ July 12

9:00am- Library

Saturday ~ July 13

Sunday ~ July 14: Pastor Joel Preaching, *New Office Bearers Installed*

Offering is for the General Operating Fund of First CRC

Thank you to all serving this Sunday, July 7

Children in Worship: Becky Vermeer, Davis Addink, Gracie Hansum, Wyatt Vermeer

Nursery Leader: Charys Youngsma, Paige Cady, Mikaila Bol, Matthew Jonker

Camera: Owen Vermeer Lyrics: Lilli Vermeer Sound: Cory Vermeer

Prayer Ministry Elders: Fred Ritsema & Nancy Waanders

Coffee: Jonkers

Thank you to all serving next Sunday, July 14

Children in Worship: Karen Waanders, Bret Lamsma, Ari Waanders

Nursery Leader: Jessica Benson, Jeremy Waanders, Eli Vermeer, Charlotte Reynolds

Camera: Isaac Jonker Lyrics: Mieke Waanders Sound: Jon Waanders

Prayer Ministry Elders: Cal Van Heukelem & Anne Buteyn

Coffee: Cadys

Welcome guests and visitors: *First CRC is happy to have you worship with us! Please fill out a Connect card in the pew pocket so we know how best to support and encourage you. Elders will be up front to talk with you and pray for you. We celebrate the Lord's Supper today. All baptized believers who place their faith in Jesus Christ for salvation are welcome to receive the sacrament.*

WOMEN'S RETREAT UPDATE: **Only 2 weeks left** to register and pay for the Sept. 27-29, 2019 retreat in beautiful Breckenridge, Colorado. **33 women of all ages**, from 16 to 76, have already committed to attending. We hope to see at least 50 of you up there, so if you have been meaning to register, **don't put it off: register today and pay by July 21.** There will be a **25% surcharge** if you register after July 21. Scholarships are available through July 21; you can request one on your application. Registration forms are in the foyer or you can sign up online

at: <https://forms.gle/XEWVgBQjGTLJPN9N8>. Contact shirley@firstcrcdenver.org or julie.lamsma@gmail.com for more information.

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

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| Pastor Joel Schreurs: | Minister of the Word | ext. 101 |
| Shirley Van Heukelem: | Programs & Office Admin. | ext. 104 |
| Kyle Cooper: | Worship Coordinator | ext. 103 |
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OUT ~ Serving & Sharing

Joyfully Surrendering To Jesus ~

Education Consultant in West Africa - Resonate Global Mission has a full-time career position for an Education Consultant in West Africa. Work alongside educators and administrators to strengthen Christian education throughout Nigeria and West African. To learn more and apply, visit www.resonateglobalmission.org/education.

Freely Sharing Our Lives ~

Family Faith Formation Tip - *Faithful Families* by Traci Smith and *Every Moment Holy* by Douglas Kaine McKelvey are amazing resources for transforming your family's everyday activities into sacred moments. (Faith Formation Ministries; crcna.org/FaithFormation)

Kidscorner.net Ten Commandment resources: WHAT TIME IS IT? - What's the best use of your time? Liz and Lucille face difficult choices as they do their homework and a Bible study. What's your worst distraction? Listen now at kidscorner.net and subscribe to KC's weekly emails for future episodes. Download KC's 10 Commandments Bookmark to help with your bible reading.

Humbly Embracing The Hurting ~

We are just a few weeks away from hosting Family Promise at our church.

Families will arrive on July 21 and will remain at our church through the **28th**. Many overnight hosts are still needed as well as a few open spots for meal providers and evening hosts. We also need people to help with set up and lifting on the 21st before church and after church and people to help with take down, cleaning, and lifting on the morning of the 28th before and after the service. If you can help with any of these opportunities, please talk to Mary Lanser #303.761.8028, or Pastor Bret Lamsma bret@firstcrcdenver.org

Count Committee Report: 6/16, 6/23/6/30

Council is grateful for the faithful contributions of First CRC:

General Fund: \$35,361.00

Christian ED: 1,900.00

Benevolence: 768.00

Malachi 3:10

"Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in My house. Test me in this," says the LORD Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it!"

Contact Updates:

Donn and Pamela Hansum have a new home address & email updates:

7904 Ponderosa Lane, Parker CO 80138

dohansum@gmail.com

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We want to thank two faithful volunteers for their times of service over the past number of years. **Joel Jonker** is stepping down from leading our Cadet ministry and **Kelsie Ruter** is stepping down from leading our Children in Worship ministry. We want to thank both of them for all of the time and effort they have put into leading these ministries, and the impact they have had on so many children during their years of service. Thanks Kelsie and Joel! This also creates opportunities for other people to step into these roles. If you are interested in being a part of our Cadet or Children in Worship ministries as coordinators or in any other ways, please talk to Pastor Bret. The whole congregation's prayers and encouragement are requested as we pray together for the right people to fill these crucial ministry roles.



FIRST CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

DENVER, COLORADO

Save this Important Date!

Our entire church family is invited to worship and fellowship at beautiful Long Scraggy Ranch: 20203 Spring Creek Trail, Conifer, CO 80433 on **August 25th**. *We will be worshipping together in the open air chapel at 10 am that morning. Lunch will be served by Council following the service.* Transportation will be provided for those who may need assistance. Camping is available by reservation that weekend. Please contact Jon at #303.838.7770, or longscraggy.org for details.

July 7, 2019

*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: Psalm 96:7-10

Ascribe to the Lord, all you families of nations,

ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

Ascribe to the Lord the glory due His name;

bring an offering and come into His courts.

Worship the Lord in the splendor of His holiness;

tremble before Him, all the earth.

Say among the nations, "The Lord reigns!"

The world is firmly established, it cannot be moved;

He will judge the peoples with equity.

*Song: *All Creatures of Our God and King* LUYH 551

*Reading: Revelation 5:11-14

"Then I looked and heard the voice of many angels, numbering thousands upon thousands, and ten thousand times ten thousand. They encircled the throne and the living creatures and the elders. In a loud voice they were saying:

Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!

Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and on the sea, and all that is in them, saying:

To Him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and honor and glory and power, for ever and ever!

The four living creatures said, "Amen," and the elders fell down and worshiped."

*Song: *Holy Holy Holy* LUYH 538

*God's Greeting and Mutual Greeting

*Indicates where we stand. **BOLD** type indicates congregational responses.

Renewal

Prayer for Intercession and Gratitude: Psalm 42:1-5

“As the deer pants for streams of water, so my soul pants for You, my God.

My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When can I go and meet with God?

My tears have been my food day and night, while people say to me all day long,

“Where is your God?”

These things I remember as I pour out my soul:

how I used to go to the house of God under the protection of the Mighty One

with shouts of joy and praise among the festive throng.

Why, my soul, are you downcast? Why so disturbed within me?

Put your hope in God, for I will yet praise Him, my Savior and my God.”

Song: *I Will Look Up*

Offering: Wajaro Foundation: (www.wajaro.org) Wajaro means “Let’s get together”. Wajaro Foundation seeks to walk alongside groups of people engaged in peace and justice work in war ravaged Colombia.

Offertory: Family Promise Update

Word

Children in Worship Sending

Leader: We will love the Lord our God

with all our heart, with all our soul,

with all our mind and with all our strength.

And we will love our neighbor as ourselves.

People: **The Lord be with you.**

Children: **And also with you.**

Heidelberg Catechism: Lord’s Day 38

Scripture: Exodus 20:8-11; pg. 76

Sermon: *Don’t Forget!*

Prayer for Application

Table

*Great Prayer of 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.

It is truly right to glorify You, Father, and to give You thanks,

for You alone are God, living and true,

dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and forever.

Fountain of all life and source of all goodness,

You made all things and fill them with Your blessing;

You created them to rejoice in the splendor of Your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before You to serve You night and day,

and, beholding the glory of Your presence, they offer You unceasing

praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under

heaven, we glorify Your name and lift our voices in joyful praise:

Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might,

Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.

Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

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.

Creator God, be present with Your life-giving Word and Holy Spirit,

that we, and Your entire church, may be called out and made whole through this

supper. Grant that all who share the communion of the body and blood of Your

Son may be united in Him. And may we all remain faithful in love and hope

until we feast joyfully with Christ at the coming of the Kingdom.

Invitation

Distribution Songs: *Behold The Lamb* LUYH 840 & *Jesus Paid It All*

Communion

Sending

Sending Prayer

*Sending Song: *We Will Feast In the House of Zion*

*Blessing

*Postlude

Minister of the Word: Pastor Joel Schreurs

Director of Faith Formation: Dr. Bret Lamsma

Worship Coordinator: Kyle Cooper with First CRC Band

Up ~ Prayer and Praise:

*Our Persecuted Believer’s prayer focus in **July** and **August** will be for believers in **Afghanistan**, #2 on the World Watch List! You are invited to add Sanctuary post-able articles, photos and prayers related to Afghanistan. Bring your additions, especially testimonies of God’s faithfulness, to the office to be included on the prayer display. Please take a prayer sheet by the silver message board (or take a phone picture) for strategic prayer ideas.*

We praise God for the ability and **privilege to gather** publicly for worship and to participate in sacraments together.

We pray for **provision for farming communities** all across the Midwest that have been severely impacted by devastating flood waters.

We seek **reconciliation and forgiveness** during summer family reunions.

We pray for **godly wisdom** for incoming Elders and Deacons being installed next week; and seek guidance for Council and our entire faith family.

We ask for **God’s healing touch** upon those recovering from surgery or recent hospitalization. We pray for Kyle Cooper as he approaches his second eye surgery.

We pray for **Kerry and Beth George** and family as they grieve the death of Kerry’s father this past Wednesday. Services are still being planned.

Judy DenBraber Update:

Life is changing again for Judy. After several years of stable PET scans one of her tumors (the unusual one in her right arm deltoid muscle) has started to grow again. After consultations with a surgeon, a radiologist, and the oncologist a decision was made to proceed with a course of very focused radiation to the deltoid muscle to knock the tumor back into dormancy. She had radiation on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of this week and will finish up with Monday and Tuesday next week. A follow up PET scan is scheduled for September. If the tumor in the muscle is back to stable and none of the other tumors (all of which are in her bones) are still stable we will just continue with the current regime of an infusion every three weeks. If other tumors have “woken up” we will be changing to a different chemo regime. We continue to be very grateful for all the support of our family at First Church and covet your continued prayers for peace of mind and wisdom for the medical team.

Russ & Judy

IN ~ Events & Upcoming Activities

Our High School Youth Group will meet next Sunday night, **July 14th**, for a spike ball tournament and ice cream! All graduates and incoming Freshman are invited to join in the fun. Talk to Pastor Bret for more details, or email: bret@firstcrdenver.org

Men’s Wed. AM Bible Study 8:00 in the Emerson House South of church, coffee is on at 7:30am. Contact: Joel.jonker@gmail.com

Men’s Sat. AM Bible Study in rm 21, *every other Sat* 7AM, next mtgs. **July 20 & August 3rd**. Contact Rod Oosterhouse: rodohouse@comcast.net

Ladies’ Coffee Break Bible Study Summer Schedule: 6:30pm. **July 10** in Library; **July 24th** serving *Family Promise Meal*. August Pot Luck – TBD Contact Betty Eyser: b.eyser@comcast.net; or Beth@firstcrdenver.org

Sew & Sews meets every other Thursday in rm 12/13 (**next meeting is 7/11**) to sew nursing cover-ups, receiving blankets and baby buntings for local hospitals, and clothing for ministry to abandoned infants from Haiti. Contact Joey Vander Ark for more information: joeyvanark@aol.com

Please note: **Stamp Class** has rescheduled to **August 3rd**, 1-3pm in rm. 12/13. *Please note:* **Circle of Hope** support group is not meeting in July.

Senior Moments: Save the date: **August 6, 2019 @6:30 pm**. Senior Moments will be hosting author Dirk Van Leenen. Mr. Van Leenen is a Holocaust Survivor and author of several books including "*Resistance on a Bicycle*". He will be in Denver for only a few days, speaking at several different venues. Please join us as we listen to this man speak with first hand knowledge of experiences he and his family endured. Everyone is welcome.

Bethany Christian Services Coors Field Concession Nights

Bethany Christian Services is partnering with Aramark’s nonprofit fundraising program to raise funds through selling concessions at 2 Rockies games.

Volunteers must be 16 years old, attend a mandatory volunteer training session Monday, July 22, 6-8 pm at Coors Field, and commit to work concessions at one of the Rockies games that Bethany has been assigned (Aug. 3 and Aug. 31). The more volunteers we recruit to help, the more Bethany earns. Email Deone (dquist@bethany.org) for details and to sign up to volunteer.