

Church Calendar

Lord's Supper Sunday ~ November 11 · Sunday School

Name Tags Sunday; offering is for the General Fund

Monday ~ November 12th

9:30am – Prayer For Persecuted Believers ~ Rm. 12/13

Tuesday ~ November 13th

10:00 leave church-1:00pm **Senior Moments** ~ "Oceans: Our Blue Planet"

12:30-2 pm - Lunch & Staff Meeting, rm. 21

6:30pm – Deacon's Meeting

Wednesday ~ November 14th

7:30am – Men's Bible Study in the Emerson House

6:00pm - GEMS Baking Event in Kitchen & Fellowship Hall

6:30pm – Coffee Break in Emerson House

Thursday ~ November 15th

9-11am – NO Sew & Sews

Friday ~ November 16th

9:30am-11:30am - Library is staffed for your assistance.

Saturday ~ November 17th

1-3pm – Stamp Class

Sunday – November 18th is **GROW GROUP Sunday** & Youth Group

Thank you to all serving this Sunday, November 11th:

Children in Worship: Davinia Lyon, Eileen Ruter, Charlotte Reynolds and Adam DeBoer

Nursery: Beth DeBoer, Tina Van den Boogaard, David Youngsma, Evelyn Keyes

Camera: Matthew Jonker **Lyrics:** Dan Addink **Sound:** Cory Vermeer

Prayer Ministry Elder: Dave Cady & Sheri DeHaan

Coffee: Vermeer Family

Lord's Supper Prep: GG#5

Thank you to all serving next Sunday, November 18th:

Children in Worship: Jill Schreurs, Laurie Sanderson, Elianah Reynolds, Logan P.

Nursery: Davinia Lyon, Paul DeBoer, Bode Blohm,

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

Prayer Ministry Elder: Fred Ritsema & Nancy Waanders

Coffee: Schans **Lord's Supper Prep:** GG#5

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 celebrate communion today and all Baptized believer's, trusting in Jesus Christ's atoning sacrifice for salvation, are invited to receive the Sacrament.

First Christian Reformed Church #303.733.4936

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

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Pastor Joel Schreurs:	Minister of the Word	ext. 101
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Thanksgiving, Advent and Christmas:

November 22nd ~ 9:30am Worship Service with GEMS
Bake Sale immediately following downstairs.

December 1st ~ Global Bazaar – Fair Trade Craft fair

December 11th ~ Senior Moments Christmas Party in Fellowship Hall from 11:30am

December 2, 9 & 16th,

~ Advent Series: on the **Book of Ruth** and *Live It Out* Activities for all! Remember to sign up so we have enough supplies for everyone.

Christmas Day Service at 9:30am

Coming in December - Live It Out!

For Advent this year we are offering intergenerational activities during our Sunday School hour that will allow us to put our faith into action. We have six options for you to choose from:

1. Intergenerational choir and possibly orchestra
2. Visual arts for the sanctuary using the Advent theme from Ruth
3. Readers theater based on the book of Ruth
4. Christmas cookies for the home-bound
5. Wish List and/or Move-in Packets for Family Promise
6. Ornament craft based on the Advent theme from the book of Ruth

These groups will meet for **3 weeks, Dec. 2, 9, & 16**. Everyone - from 3 to 103 - is encouraged to sign up on the sheets available in the back of church. **Deadline for sign up is Nov. 18.** *Note: some of the options have size limits, so if one of these sounds especially good to you, sign up early!*

Global Bazaar Update:

- Save the date - **Saturday, December 1, 9am to 2pm**
- The next baking day is scheduled for **Saturday, November 24th**. Sign up in the back of church.
- We are still **accepting applications** for vendors at the 10th annual Global Bazaar on Saturday, December 1. If you or someone you know is interested in selling a fair trade and/or quality item at the Bazaar, please contact Carol Willis (carolwillis80631@msn.com)



Celebrating The Lord's Supper

Sunday November 11th, 2018

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.*

Gathering

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Processional

*Call to Worship: Psalm 96:1-3
Sing to the Lord a new song;
sing to the Lord, all the earth.
Sing to the Lord, praise His name;
proclaim His salvation day after day.
Declare His glory among the nations,
His marvelous deeds among all peoples.

*Song: *Rejoice the Lord Is King* LUYH 224

*Psalm 107:1-3
Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good;
His love endures forever.
Let the redeemed of the Lord tell their story—
those He redeemed from the hand of the foe,
those He gathered from the lands,
from east and west, from north and south.

*Song: *Across the Lands* LUYH 775

*God's Greeting and Mutual Greeting

Renewal

Prayer for Intercession and Gratitude

Offering: General Fund

Offertory: *The Harvester*

Word

Children In Worship Dismissal

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.**

Scripture: Matthew 28:16-20. Page 1000

Sermon: *Taking God To Work* Dr. Bret Lamsma

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...

Word of Institution:

We give thanks to God the Father...

Therefore we proclaim our faith

as signed and sealed in this sacrament:

Christ has died. Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Prayer for the Work of the Spirit

Invitation

Distribution songs: *The Wonderful Cross*

Carry Your Name

Sending

Sending Prayer

*Sending Song: *To God Be The Glory* LUYH 604

*Blessing

*Postlude:

Minister of the Word: Rev. Joel Schreurs

Director of Faith Formation: Dr. Bret Lamsma - Preaching today

Worship Coordinator: Kyle Cooper, First CRC Band, accompanist: Christy Bol

Up ~ Prayer and Praise:

Our Persecuted Believer's prayer focus will be for the country of Pakistan during November and December. Please look for a prayer sheet by the silver message board with strategic prayer requests and links to more information.

- We pray a welcome and blessing upon Cindy and Ashley, mother and daughter, new to Denver and staying with the Schreurs family.
- Last week a **drill/hygiene team from First Church** traveled to Honduras, to drill and develop a clean water well in a small community, under the direction of *Living Water Int'l*. Team members are: Joe & Adam Otto, Roger & Andy Van den Boogaard, Jon & Ari Waanders, Jeremy & Sam Waanders, Mark Hamstra & his son Pierce, Carol & Al Wassenaar. First CRC is a sponsor of the well. *We ask for your prayers for safety, health and provision for the community in Honduras.*
- We continue to pray for Chris Vanden Broeke's immunology treatments, and for his granddaughter, Gabby (13), recently diagnosed with a rare disease involving a tumor being removed from her hip.
- Please pray for Aubrey, young neighbor of Henry and Miriam Zoetewey, facing another open-heart surgery.

IN ~ Events & Upcoming Activities

Due to our scheduled activity being outdoors and a cold and possibly snowy forecast for Sunday, **Club 68 will NOT be meeting tonight**. We will instead meet next Sunday night, November 18, from 4-6. We will be doing some yard work for a member of our congregation, so please dress appropriately and bring a rake and/or shovel and gloves along that night. Any questions, please talk to Pastor Bret today.

Senior Moments: Today is the last time to sign up for our November 13th trip to IMAX at the Denver Museum. We plan to leave church at 10 a.m. 3D Film "Oceans our Blue Planet" begins at 11:30. After the film we will have lunch at TREX. For details, please see the flyer.
Questions: Betty K. 303-514-6251 or Beth P. 303-947-1085.

Our GEMS girls club is so grateful for all the donations for the jars we are making for the Global Bazaar! Please make sure you bring them in by today, **Sunday, November 11**. There are bins by the signup sheet to collect the items. If you have any questions, contact: julie.lamsma@gmail.com.

GEMS Annual Bake Sale is Thanksgiving Day! Please consider baking and donating deserts to help support the GEMS organization, Esther School and our local club. See the flyer in your mailbox for more details. Please know there is very limited space in our freezer and refrigerator if you bring items early. If you have any questions please contact julie.lamsma@gmail.com.

Men's Morning Small Group meets every **Wednesday morning at 7:30am** in Emerson House next door, and a **Men's Bible study** meets every other Saturday (next mtg. is **11/24**) at **7am** in rm. 21.

Ladies Coffee Break meets every Wednesday evening for Bible Study, prayer and fellowship in the Emerson House next to church. **Ladies Morning Bible Study** meets every other Wednesday for Bible study and prayer support (next meeting is 11/21).

Grow Group Meal Locations for November 18:

Grow group gatherings are pot-luck meals for everyone, where we share God's Word, prayer and fellowship. If you are new to First church; feel welcome to join the group meeting in the church basement. We'll have plenty of food for all!

GG1: Ritsema/Buys: To Be Determined

GG2: Waanders/Timmer: Church Basement or pit stop garage.

GG3: Van Heukelem/Natelborg: 2319 S. Columbine, Denver 80210

GG4: Buteyn/VDB: Youngsma's - 8046 S. Logan Ct., Centennial 80122

GG5: DeHaan/Posthumus: DeHaan's - 8028 S. Ammons Ct., Littleton 80128

GG6: Cady/Nibbelink: Schreurs': 4632 West Oxford Ave. Denver, 80236

OUT ~ Living Our Faith & Growing by

Joyfully Surrendering To Jesus ~

Do you have a special prompting to **pray for persecuted believers**

around the globe? When you learn of persecution, do you feel led to DO

something, yet powerless to help? We are seeking a volunteer *Prayer*

Advocate to choose a geographical area for focused prayer every two

months, and educate us as a congregation on strategic prayer points. Office

staff is available to help create prayer sheets and implement your ideas!

Please contact Rebecca at the office #303.766.4936, or

rebecca@firstcrcdenver.org.

Freely Sharing Our Lives ~

Thanksgiving Food Bags: If you know someone who is in need of a bag filled with Thanksgiving Food, please contact:

chadnibbelink@firstcrcdenver.org by **Sunday, November 18th**. Youth

Group will be purchasing food and assembling bags for you to deliver. Bags

will be assembled, with Thanksgiving cards from our card stamping group,

ready for you to deliver on Monday, November 19th.

Humbly Embracing The Hurting ~

Circle of Hope meets on Saturday, November 10 at **10:00am** in room

21 to offer on-going encouragement to those providing support and care to

loved ones navigating varied forms of mental illness. Contact Cathy for

more information: czoetewey@comcast.net

Thank you to Betty Klap and Larry Young for putting together a display in the foyer to honor our veterans.