

Church Calendar

Lord's Supper Sunday ~ October 14: Name Tags & Deacon Installation

Director of Faith Formation, Bret Lamsma is preaching.

Offering is for: Living Water Well Sponsorship

5-7pm Club 68 for Middle Schoolers

Monday ~ October 15

6:30pm - Count Committee

Tuesday ~ October 16

9-1pm - Senior Moments to Arvada Center;

1-3pm - Staff Meeting, rm. 21; 7:00pm - Young Adults at Emerson

6:30-8pm YFC *Changing Their Stories* event at Cherry Creek Presbyterian

Wednesday ~ October 17 Family Night: Chef Beth George/Henry Z.

5:45pm - Dinner is served! 6:30pm - Council Meeting in room 21

6:30pm - GEMS/Cadets/Coffee Break/Yoga/Cast Away Discussion in Library

Thursday ~ October 18

7:00pm Worship Practice

Friday ~ October 19 ~ High School Fall Retreat thru Sunday at Long Scraggy

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

Saturday ~ October 20

9-12noon: Global Bazaar Baking Day

Sunday School/Catechism ~ October 21

8:30am Choir Rehearsal

Pastor Joel Preaching; Offering is for General Operating Fund of First CRC.

Thank you to all serving this Sunday, October 14th:

Children in Worship: Christine Nibbelink, Julie Lamsma, Ali Schroder, and Erin Youngsma

Nursery: Kelsie Ruter, Ann Rajewski, Annika DeBoer, Natalie Roberts

Camera: Isaac Jonker **Lyrics:** Davis Addink **Sound:** Logan Posthumus

Prayer Ministry Elder: Cal Van Heukelem & Anne Buteyn

Coffee: Timmers

Thank you to all serving next Sunday, October 21st:

Children in Worship: Jill Schreurs, Josh Youngsma, Natalie Roberts, Marissa Bol

Nursery: Karen Waanders, Torre Blohm, Hannah Grafton, Matthew Jonker

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

Prayer Ministry Elder: Dave Cady & Sheri DeHaan

Coffee: Sanders

Newcomers, guests and visitors: Hot tea, cocoa and coffee are in the back, prayer elders are available up front and it is **Name tag Sunday!**

We'll also be **celebrating the Lord's Supper together today.** All baptized believers, who place their faith in Jesus Christ for salvation, are welcome to receive communion.

Position Announcement: Volunteer Coordinator

Volunteers in Action is grateful for the work of our Volunteer Coordinator Kelli Schuttinga over the past 5+ years. Kelli is planning to retire at the end of 2018. Volunteers in Action is now seeking applications for 20-30 hours per week staff position to coordinate VIA volunteer services and manage the *Faith in Deed* program. This includes screening referrals, recruiting, training and supporting volunteers. If interested, please send a cover letter and resume to Volunteers in Action, [9185 E. Kenyon Ave. #130, Denver, CO 80237](mailto:9185.E.Kenyon.Ave.#130,Denver,CO.80237) or e-mail to donnh@volunteersinaction.info. Feel free to contact Donn Hansum at 303-713-9144 if you have questions regarding this position. www.volunteersinaction.info

Persecuted Church Prayer Advocate:

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 *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.

Missionary Update: John and Marian Cady

In the September Newsletter Jonathan and Marian announced they are pregnant, with an expected due date of February 2019! We are excited for this new addition to the Cady family, and our church family.

Jonathan has been engaged in facilitating a preaching training and practicum. He will be preaching once a month for the remainder of the year to help lighten the load for the pastor of the church. Marion recently celebrated 10 years of her workplace ministry. Both are grateful for this stable place of employment and many friendships.

Prayer Requests: That in God's providence, any pressure on the church would only bear more Gospel fruit, and strengthen the faith of believers in Jesus. Jonathan also asks for prayer for wisdom to know how to best encourage and disciple his pastor friends and of course, for Marian and the baby.

October Missionary Birthdays

Jeanie Broek - 1st

Craig Broek - 22nd

First Christian Reformed Church

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
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Rebecca J. Schaefer:	Communications & Admin.	ext. 102



FIRST CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

DENVER, COLORADO

Sunday October 14, 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

Processional

*Call to Worship: Psalm 145:3-6

Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise;

His greatness no one can fathom.

One generation commends Your works to another;

they tell of Your mighty acts.

They speak of the glorious splendor of Your majesty—

We will meditate on Your wonderful works.

*Song: *We Will Extol You God and King* LUYH 562

*Psalm 145:17-20

The Lord is righteous in all His ways

and faithful in all He does.

The Lord is near to all who call on Him,

to all who call on Him in truth.

He fulfills the desires of those who fear Him;

He hears their cry and saves them.

*Song: *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* LUYH 348

*God's Greeting and Mutual Greeting

Renewal

Call to Prayer and Confession

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon: *Luke 15:4-7*

Song of Assurance: *Over & Over Again*

Offering: *Living Water Well Sponsorship*

Offertory

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.**

Prayer for Intercession and Gratitude

Scripture: Genesis 11:27-12:9, page 11

Sermon: "Kinship and Calling"

Installation of Aaron Buys

*Prayer

Table

Words of Institution

Prayer for the Work of the Spirit

Invitation

Distribution Songs:

*How Deep the Father's Love for Us
Man of Sorrows*

Communion

Sending Prayer:

Loving God,
You graciously feed us with the bread of life
and the cup of eternal salvation.
May we who have received this sacrament
be strengthened in Your service;
we who have sung Your praises
tell of Your glory and truth;
we who have seen the greatness of Your love
see you face to face in Your kingdom.
For you have made us Your own people
by the death and resurrection of Your Son, our Lord,
and by the life-giving power of Your Spirit. Amen.

*Sending Song: *He Leadeth Me* LUYH 440

*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

Up ~ Prayer

*Our Congregational Prayer Focus for Persecuted Believers for September/October is the country of **China**. See the silver message board in the foyer; please take a prayer sheet. Remember to pray for our missionary partners in China. *Do you have a suggestion regarding which country to pray over in November & December?**

- Pray for all **students** who are struggling with who they are and what their future might look like.
- Please pray for **Steve Rozendaal**, son of Marge and Wayne, who will have surgery on Oct. 17 to remove a kidney due to cancer.
- Praise God for **new babies** on the way!
- Praise God for the launching of **Family Promise** soon. Pray that we will welcome and embrace the homeless, hurting and lonely individuals and families that the Holy Spirit brings. May we be spiritually formed and impacted by every guest in the house of the Lord.

IN ~ Events & Upcoming Activities

Want to sing in the choir?

Next Sunday, **October 21st**, the First Church choir will be leading some of the morning's singing. People of all ages and abilities are invited to join!
The *choir will meet at 8:30* next Sunday morning to rehearse the songs. This will be the only rehearsal, so we'll sing more familiar songs.
Please email kylecooper@firstcrcdenver.org if you'd like to join!"

Club 68: our Middle School Youth Group will meet TONIGHT, from 5-7 at church.

Young Adults meet in Emerson House, next to the church, at **7:00pm on Tuesdays**. Contact kylecooper@firstcrcdenver.org!

Men's Morning Small Group meets every **Wednesday morning at 7am** in Emerson House next door, and a **Men's Bible study** meets every other Saturday (next mtg. is **10/13**) at **7am** in rm. 21.

Please Note: The Senior Moments Trip to the Arvada Center has been **cancelled**. Questions: Betty K. 303-514-6251 or Beth P. 303-947-1085.

Women's Night Out, Tues., Oct. 23, 7-9 PM. Come join us for an evening of dessert and invite a friend or neighbor! We will have a message on **Finding Joy**, followed by a craft and singing songs of thanksgiving. Look for an invitation in your mailbox today. Please let us know if you plan on coming by signing up at the table in the back of the foyer. Any questions can be directed to either Deb VanEps or Cathy Zoetewey.

October is Pastor Appreciation Month!

1st Church is blessed to have pastors and a worship coordinator who put an incredible amount of thought and care into our worship, community and outreach. Please let them know how their work has impacted your life and your walk with the Lord by sharing with them in person, with a note in their boxes at church, or via email. If you have questions, talk to any member of the 1st CRC HR Committee: Eileen Ruter, Karen Waanders, Mike Van Donselaar and Maria Buteyn. Thank you!
Pastor Joel Schreurs - joel@firstcrcdenver.org
Pastor Bret Lamsma - bret@firstcrcdenver.org
Worship & Music Coordinator Kyle Cooper - kylecooper@firstcrcdenver.org

Global Bazaar Update: Save the date - **Saturday, December 1, 9am to 3pm**

- Vendors needed - we still have room for a few more vendors. If you or someone you know has a quality product to sell, contact carolwillis80631@msn.com.
- The first baking day is scheduled for **Saturday, October 20**. Sign up in the back of church if you are interested in being part of this event.

OUT ~ Living Our Faith & Growing by

Joyfully Surrendering To Jesus ~

Agricultural Development in the Middle East - Come be part of Resonate Global Mission's work in the Middle East! The Cohort is a year-long opportunity for an integrated group of young adults from North America and the Middle East to volunteer in various ministries alongside Resonate Global Mission workers. This position is a one-year volunteer commitment working in agriculture development and sustainable farming. For more information, visit: www.resonateglobalmission.org/agriculture or contact Lisa Sochacki at lsochacki@crcna.org.

Freely Sharing Our Lives ~

Dear Congregation of Denver Christian Reformed Church,

We want to share our deep heartfelt gratitude for your amazing generosity with us, which has opened the possibility of us being able to purchase a more reliable vehicle for our family here in Nicaragua! We have been praying that God would provide for this need for several years and are so grateful to see these prayers being answered. To receive a gift like this, at a time that we are experiencing a lot of additional stress in our lives, truly amounts to the lifting of a great burden from our shoulders and reassures us that *God is our great provider* at all times! We hope to finalize the purchase of a vehicle in the next week or two and will send you a picture once we have it.

In Christ,
*Liam and Jessica Starkenburg
Caleb, Judah, Belen and Asher*

Humbly Embracing The Hurting ~

Did you know we have a confidential group of women that meets together in room 21 once per month, on the second Saturday from 10-12n, for support, prayer and encouragement? This group is designed for those who live with, and care for, a loved one battling mental illness issues. Contact czoetewey@comcast.net

Cribs needed! Joshua Station is a Christian transitional housing ministry in Denver. Their residents stay for about 18 months before moving on to more permanent housing. This means they have a turnover of rooms quite often and with that comes the need for a variety of furniture options. They currently are in need of some good quality cribs. If you have a crib that you are willing to donate, please contact Pat Holwerda at (720) 474-1076 or patolwerda@gmail.com.

Foster care family needs a twin-sized bed, (and fresh bedding), for one of their foster children. Please contact the church office if you have one available. Thank you!