

Church Calendar

Sunday ~ October 6 DFF Dr. Bret Lamsma is preaching; Offering is for Living Water Well Sponsorship: *Living Water International exists to demonstrate the love of God by helping communities acquire desperately needed clean water, and to experience "Living Water"—the Gospel of Jesus Christ—which alone satisfies the deepest thirst.*

11:00am ~ Age-specific Sunday School Pre-K thru High School

11:00am - Climate Awareness Class in Room 12/13 TODAY

4:30pm – Youth Group meets at church (yard work service project).

Monday ~ October 7

Tuesday ~ October 8 ~ 1:30pm Staff Meeting

6:30pm – Deacon's Meeting

Wednesday ~ October 9

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

9:30am – Women's Am Bible Study in rm.12/13

Thursday ~ October 10

Friday ~ October 11 - 9-11 - Library

Saturday ~ October 12: First Global Bazaar Baking Day 9-12n

7:00am – Men's AM Bible Study rm. 21; 10:00am - Circle of Hope rm. 21

Lord's Supper Sunday ~ October 13 Grow Group Meal Sunday

Offering is for **Christian Education Fund** *If you have questions about this program and how it works or how you can contribute, please contact a committee member or your household Elder or Deacon:*

Troy Newcombe - troynewcombe@gmail.com,

Keith Bol - kmbol@hotmail.com

Welcome visitors and guests. If you have any questions, please come up front after service. A Pastor or Elder will be available to talk and/or pray. Please take a minute to fill out a *Connect Card* (in the pew pocket) and return to an Elder or Pastor. You are welcome to attend any class today (children need signed permission slips available above the office door). Next week is Lord's Supper Sunday. All Baptized believer who trust in Jesus Christ for salvation are welcome to receive communion.

Thank you to all serving this Sunday, October 6th

Children in Worship: Becky Vermeer, Sara Ribbens, Charlotte Reynolds,

Katherine Elgersma

Nursery Leader: Karen Waanders, Erin Reynolds, Laurie Sanderson,

Evelyn Keyes

Camera: Davis Addink **Lyrics:** Dan Addink **Sound:** Matt Ruter

Prayer Ministry Elders: Cal Van Heukelem & Anne Buteyn

Coffee: Buteyn/Buys

Thank you to all serving next Sunday, October 13

Children in Worship: Laurie Sanderson, Kyle Van Andel, Eli Reynolds

Owen Vermeer

Nursery Leader: Sandra Posthumus, Lana Oosterhouse, Luke Ruter,

Sam Waanders

Camera: Ari Waanders **Lyrics:** Micah DeHaan **Sound:** Jim DeHaan

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Coffee: Lohmanns

Specific Emergency Need from the Deacons! Long Scraggy Ranch experienced an electrical fire in the Roundhouse on September 28, 2019. Help is needed in paying for the insurance deductible and portions of the rebuild that will not be covered. You can give directly to Long Scraggy via their go fund me ([Link here](#)), or you can designate funds to help through 1st CRC via the memo line in your check or by specifying on your envelope.

The Global Bazaar is happening again this year on Saturday, **December 7**, from 9am to 2pm. Mark your calendars for the December 7 date and for the following baking days. We will be making *banket* (almond-filled pastry) & pig-in-the-blankets (pastry wrapped sausages) to sell at the bazaar.

- Saturday, October 12 - 9am to noon
- Saturday, October 19 - 9am to noon
- Saturday, November 9 - 9am to noon
- Saturday, November 23 - 9am to noon
- Saturday, November 30 - 9am to noon

No experience necessary. We will teach you how to do this and we'll all have a fun time doing it. All proceeds from the sale of these items will go to our mission partner, En-Gedi Children's Home in Kenya.

YFC Denver Area is hosting a FREE event called: *Changing Their Story* on **Monday, October 21** at Crossroads church in Thornton and **Tuesday, October 22** at Cherry Creek Presbyterian Church in Greenwood Village. For more information or to RSVP: www.yfcdenver.org

Is God calling you to become involved with Youth for Christ?

- We seek your prayer support as we meet with young people!
- We need more caring adults willing to share of their time, willing to mentor young people, and willing to enter their spaces.
- We continue to seek financial resources to fund these ministries. There are 220,000 11-19 year olds in the Denver Area, a significant number who are still unreached, and that number continues to grow. Is God calling you to become a financial partner and become a part of expanding our ministry sites? claire@yfcdenver.org.

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

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FIRST CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

DENVER, COLORADO

*A Family of God, Living our Faith and Growing by:
Joyfully surrendering to Jesus, Freely sharing our lives,
and Humbly embracing the hurting.*

Sunday, October 6, 2019
Gathering

Prelude

Welcome

Processional

*Call to Worship: Psalm 145:9-13a

The Lord is good to all;
He has compassion on all He has made.
**All Your works praise You, Lord;
Your faithful people extol You.**
They tell of the glory of Your kingdom
and speak of Your might,
**so that all people may know of Your mighty acts
and the glorious splendor of Your kingdom.**
Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,
and Your dominion endures through all generations.

*Song: *How Great Is Our God*

*Psalm 145:13b-19

The Lord is trustworthy in all He promises
and faithful in all He does.
**The Lord upholds all who fall
and lifts up all who are bowed down.**
The eyes of all look to You,
and You give them their food at the proper time.
**You open Your hand
and satisfy the desires of every living thing.**
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: *God Our Help In Ages Past LUYH 405* (verses 1,2,3,6)

*God's Greeting and Mutual Greeting

Renewal

Call to Confession: Psalm 37

Do not fret because of those who are evil
or be envious of those who do wrong;
for like the grass they will soon wither,
like green plants they will soon die away.

Commit your way to the Lord; trust in Him and He will do this:
He will make your righteous reward shine like the dawn,
your vindication like the noonday sun.

Prayer of Confession:

Merciful God,
We confess that we have sinned against You in thought,
word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved You with our whole heart and mind and strength.
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
In Your mercy forgive what we have been,
help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be,
so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways,
to the glory of Your holy name.
Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon: *Micah 7:18-20*

Who is a God like You, who pardons sin and forgives the transgression
of the remnant of His inheritance?

You do not stay angry forever but delight to show mercy.

You will again have compassion on us; You will tread our sins underfoot
and hurl all our iniquities into the depths of the sea.

You will be faithful to Jacob, and show love to Abraham,
as you pledged on oath to our ancestors in days long ago.

*Song of Assurance: *Your Grace Is Enough*

Offering: *Living Water Well Sponsorship*

Offertory

Offertory Prayer

Word

Children In Worship Sending:

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.

Prayer for Intercession and Gratitude

Song: *Psalm 13 (How Long O Lord)*

Scripture: Luke 17:1-10 pg. 1049
The word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Sermon: *Increase Our Faith!*

Prayer for Application

*Song of Response: *By Faith*

Sending

*Sending: 2 Timothy 1:1-14

Fan into flame the gift of God, which is your faith.

**For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid, but gives us
power, love and self-discipline.**

He has saved us and called us to a holy life—

**not because of anything we have done but because of His own
purpose and grace.**

This grace was given us in Christ Jesus before the beginning of time,
**It has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior,
Christ Jesus, who has destroyed death and has brought life and
immortality to light through the gospel.**

Guard the good deposit of your faith that was entrusted to you—

We will guard it with the help of the Holy Spirit who lives in us.

*Sending Song: *I Will Follow* (Vertical Worship)

*Blessing

*Postlude:

Minister of the Word: Pastor Joel Schreurs

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

Worship Coordinator: Kyle Cooper with First CRC Band

Up ~ Prayer and Praise

Uganda is our prayer focus for September and October. Believers in Uganda are being disowned for their faith. The Christian church is in danger. See the display on the silver message board. Take a prayer sheet; give the bottom half to a praying friend. Our worship team would like to highlight praise from each country!

We **thank God** for the variety of amazing creatures in His world and ask to be equipped to protect the environment for all creation. May the Holy Spirit convict us when we are not respecting the world that belongs to God.

Continue to pray for **Jack and Jean Allen and their family** as Jack nears the end of his earthly journey. Short visits during the afternoon hours are welcome and appreciated.

On Thursday, September 26, we welcomed **Hayes Markus Ruter** into the world! We are praising God for our healthy boy! *Luke & Kelsie Ruter*

October is Pastor Appreciation Month! *We have the blessing of honoring three staff members this month: Pastor Joel, Pastor Bret, & Kyle (worship coordinator). There are many ways that you can appreciate these three. We ask that you take the time to say thank you to them: send an email, write a card, say an in-person thank you, or even give a gift card as a sign of appreciation. Please take a moment to thank our pastors for all they do in our church. HR Committee*

IN ~ Events & Upcoming Activities

Next Sunday - October 13 is our first **Grow Group Sunday** of this season. Your Elder/Deacon team will be notifying you about the time and location of your Grow Group gathering for a noon meal and fellowship after worship. Call the office if you do not know which GG you are a part of. If you are new and would like to be included, visit the groups downstairs (plenty of food, be our guests):

North GG 1 – Van Heukelem/Natelborg Church Fellowship Hall
NE GG 2 – Buteyn/Hansum at Buteyn's home: 1785 S. Corona St., 80210
NW GG 3 – Ritsema/Buys at Newcombe's home: 2158 S. Clarkson, 80210
South GG 4 – Van Donselaar/Timmer: 3736 E Easter Circle S., Centennial 80122
SE GG 5 – Cady/Lohmann in Church Basement, Rooms 12/13
SW GG 6 – DeHaan/Posthumus at Schreurs' Home: 4632 W. Oxford Ave., 80236

Bible Studies:

Women's AM Bible Study meets every other Wed., next mtg. Oct. 9 & 23 and November 6 & 20 at **9:30am** in room 12/13, to study "*Cultures in Conflict*" by Ray Vander Laan. Led 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. They continue studying Genesis. Everyone is welcome! b.eyser@comcast.net.

Men's Wed. AM Bible Study 8:00 in the Emerson House South of church, coffee is on at 7:30am *every* Wednesday. Contact: cvanheukelem@gmail.com
Men's Sat. AM Bible Study in rm 21, *every other Sat* 7AM, next mtg. **Oct. 12th**
Contact Rod Oosterhouse: rodohouse@comcast.net

Youth Group meeting at church at 4:30pm today for Yard Work service project. We'll jump in the van, so be sure you have permission forms updated!

Senior Moments will be hosting *Legendary Ladies* portraying our ladies of history on **October 15th at First CRC**. The show will begin at 10:30 - 11-30, with a potluck lunch following the performance. Please arrive at 10:00 for visiting and getting your coffee, so we will be ready for the performance to begin. A program has been posted on the information board for your viewing. Please sign up!

Sew & Sews: Sew & Sews is scheduled to meet next in rms. 12/13 on **Oct. 17 and 31**. Contact Joey Vander Ark for more information: joeyvanark@aol.com

Stamp Class: Due to *Family Promise* commitments, Stamp Class will reschedule to Sat. **October 19th, 1-3pm** in rms. 12/13. Cards are on the foyer tables for you! Contact Marj: deboermarjorie@gmail.com, or Carol: crkats@yahoo.com for more information on this joyful , creative group!

OUT ~ Serving & Sharing

Freely Sharing Our Lives ~

Croptoberfest 2019 is scheduled for Saturday, October 12 from 4 to 7 PM at 923 E. Mexico Ave. Join **The Table** for their 8th annual harvest party that includes a pig roast, live music, urban hay rides, and fun for all ages. Celebrate another bountiful harvest with **The Table** as they pursue God's vision for the next chapter of ministry in the Platt Park neighborhood. No charge. All donations will go in support of The Table's 2Root capital campaign. Visit www.denvertable.org.

Humbly Embracing The Hurting

Sign Up Today in the foyer for *Family Promise Host Week: Oct. 20-27!*

Circle of Hope Oct. 12th, 10:00 am in rm 21- Small group setting for encouragement to those supporting a loved one with mental illness. Contact czoetewey@comcast.net for more details.

Joyfully Surrendering To Jesus ~

For anyone interested in becoming part of a Latin-American culture and making a difference in the lives of children and in the future leadership of Nicaragua, this is an excellent opportunity! Our current and upcoming teacher openings include the following: Starting January 2020 or sooner! Descriptions of many of these positions are available at nca.edu.ni/teach. If you or someone you know might be interested in teaching at **Nicaragua Christian Academy**, please do not hesitate to contact us by sending an email to international@nca.edu.ni!

- ELL/ESL Teacher (NCA International)
- Secondary English / Social Studies Teacher (NCA International)
- EFL English Teacher (NCA Nejapa - Spanish-language school)
- EFL English Teacher (NCA Matagalpa - Spanish-language school)