

Church Calendar for week of: September 10, 2017

Name Tag Sunday ~ September 10 – Pastor Joel is preaching. Lord’s Supper. Offering is for *Kid’s Hope*. Sunday School Kick-off! 11-12 Adult Ed. & Choir 12-1pm - Sound Team lunch meeting.

3:00pm - Hymn Sing in the Sanctuary

4:00pm - Youth Kick-off picnic & Parents meeting at Cornerstone Park

Monday ~ September 11 –

Prayer For Persecuted Believer’s -Rooms 12/13

6:30pm – Count Committee

Tuesday ~ September 12 –

9-1pm – Senior Moments All Day @ Schan’s Mountain Home

1:00pm - Staff Meeting in Room 21

7:00pm – Deacon’s Meeting in Room 24

Wednesday ~ September 13

7:00am – Men’s Morning Huddle in the Emerson House

6:30-Coffee Break in Emerson – Next Family Night is 9/20

Thursday ~ September 14

9:30am – Sew & Sews

Friday ~ September 15

9:00am – Library Ladies

Saturday ~ September 16: 7:00am – Men’s Bible Study

Sunday ~ September 17: Pastor Joel is preaching

5-7pm - Club 68

Thank you to all serving NEXT Sunday, September 10

Nursery: Sandie Posthumus, Paul DeBoer, Laurie Sanderson, Rick Schmitt Adam DeBoer

CIW: *The Realy BIG Beginning* Kelsie Ruter, Ashleigh Bol, Aaron Elgersma & Logan Posthumus

Prayer Ministry Elders: Cyndi Berghuis & Cal Van Heukelem

Coffee: Sanders/Buteyn **DVD Delivery:** **Grow Group 3**

Thank you to all serving NEXT Sunday, September 17

Nursery: Allie Christians, Melanie Jonker, Aaron Buys, Cory & Owen Vermeer

CIW: *The Best Part* Davinia Lyon, Karen Wanders, Annika DeBoer, Mathew Jonker

Prayer Ministry Elders: Ed Schans & Sheri DeHaan

Coffee: Engelsman/Jonker **DVD Delivery:** **Grow Group 3**

Welcome to our visitors, guests and newcomers. We are glad you chose to worship with us today. Elders are available up front to answer questions and pray with you. Coffee and cookies will be served outside.

Missionary Updates:

Birthdays:

Jonathan Cady - September 15th

Sandra Perez - September 20th

Caleb Starkenburg - September 26th

Marian Cady - September 26th

Anniversary: Victor & Sandra Perez - September 28th

World Renew Hurricane Relief Response:

Rapid Response

We are planning to send volunteers to help with clean-up in Texas. If you are available short notice, [please click here](#) to let us know of your availability this fall.

Needs Assessments

Given the magnitude of Harvey and Irma, we are anticipating quite a few needs assessments in the months ahead. [Please click here](#) to let us know of availability after the first of the year.

Opportunities:

Interested in serving in the music or tech ministries at First Church? We're excited to get choir going again! We will continue to meet at **11:00 each Sunday** morning. New choir members, as well as returning members, are greatly appreciated! If you are considering joining choir and have any questions, don't hesitate to contact Kyle.

Please email Kylecooper@firstcrdenver.org if you plan to participate in choir, whether you are returning or a new choir member.

If you enjoy playing a musical instrument, or would be interested in helping out with sound/slides/video, please contact Worship Coordinator Kyle, at kylecooper@firstcrdenver.org. No previous experience is required for tech team. We're looking for people of all ages. Hope to hear from **you!**"

Children In Worship

With fall around the corner we will be returning to our regular *Children in Worship* rotation. We believe it is so important to plant the seeds of the Gospel in our young children, that we are asking for your help! If you are willing to either teach or be an adult helper, please contact Kelsie Ruter at kelsieruter@gmail.com, and specify what you would like to do. Even volunteering for 1 or 2 Sundays each semester would be of tremendous help! Thank you!

1st CRC Paint-A-Thon on Saturday, September 30!

First Church will be partnering with Brothers Redevelopment to help paint homes for seniors in our community. More details on times and locations to follow. Please contact deacon Chad Nibbelink (chad@brothersredevelopment.org) with questions or to volunteer!

As the next year of **Family Night** activities launches, Jon Waanders is looking for **cooking teams and dishwashers**. Please let Jon know if you would be willing to help, and if you have a preference on the time of year. Family Night will be the First & Third Wednesday of the month this year. Family Night meals program will gladly take donations to offset the cost of providing meals, however we do not want cost to prohibit anyone from enjoying a home-cooked supper! Contact Jon directly by cell: 303-961-6024, or by email: jonwaand@gmail.com

Family Night Nursery: our littlest loved ones would like to invite you to play and watch over them while their parents attend Family Night Classes, or lead/teach our older kids. Please contact Shirley if you would be available for 1 or 2 nights this year.

FREE Reformation Study Resource - The Banner presents a free online resource with questions for discussion for personal study, small group discussion, or adult education church groups: Reformation Themes: Commemorating the 500th Anniversary. Also available, Reformed Basics. Check them out at thebanner.org/study-series.

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*Celebrating, Seeking, Sharing
abundant life in Jesus...*

Order of Worship September 10, 2017

Gathering

Prelude

Welcome

Processional

*Call to Worship: Psalm 95:1-2

Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord;

let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.

Let us come before Him with thanksgiving

and extol Him with music and song.

*Song: *Crown Him With Many Crowns* LUYH 223 (verses 1,2,3)

*Psalm 95:6-7

Come, let us bow down in worship,

let us kneel before the Lord our Maker;

**for He is our God and we are the people of His pasture,
the flock under His care.**

*Song: *Sons and Daughters*

*God’s Greeting and Mutual Greeting

Ministry Updates

Youth Group Interview

*Song: *By Faith*

Offering: Kids Hope

Offertory

Word

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.**

Responsive Reading: Heidelberg Catechism, Question and Answer 54

Q. What do you believe concerning “the holy catholic church”?

A. I believe that the Son of God through His Spirit and Word, out of the entire human race, from the beginning of the world to its end, gathers, protects, and preserves for Himself a community chosen for eternal life and united in true faith. And of this community I am and always will be a living member.

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 12:7-26 pg. 1151

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon: *Get To Work!*

Prayer for Application and Intercession

Communion Liturgy: 810 in LUYH

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.

With joy we praise You, gracious God... to proclaim the glory of Your name.

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.

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.

Lord, our God, send Your Holy Spirit so that this bread and cup may be for us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. May we and all your saints be united with Christ and remain faithful in hope and love. Gather your whole church, O Lord, into the glory of Your kingdom. We pray in the name of Jesus, who taught us to pray:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name, Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. For Yours is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Distribution Song: *Beneath the Cross* LUYH 825

Communion

Prayer

Sending

Sending and Commission

*Sending Song: *Doxology*

*Blessing

*Postlude

Minister of The Word: Pastor Joel Schreurs

Director of Faith Formation: Rev. Bret Lamsma

Worship Coordinator: Kyle Cooper

Musicians: First CRC Band with Christy Bol & Erin Reynolds

Prayer and Care for God’s People:

*Our **September/October** Congregational prayer focus for persecuted believers will be on the **country of Sudan**, ranked #5 on the World Watch List. Persecution in Sudan is systematic and reminiscent of ethnic cleansing. Please see the silver connection boards in the foyer for specific prayer points. Prayer sheets are on the table next to the display.*

We pray for **Jack & Jana Vente** for God’s grace, wisdom and patience.

Please continue prayer cover for all **those grieving** the loss of a loved one.

Ron Zoetewey’s Memorial will be at 11am at First CRC on Friday, **September 22**.

Pray for **Kathy Bol** as she goes in for two surgeries on **September 12 & 14**. We seek wisdom for her medical team, and a smooth surgery and recovery.

Jessie Huiting will be having hip surgery on **September 25**, followed by two-three weeks of rehabilitation. Please pray for successful surgery and after care.

We seek prayer support for **Werner Schroder’s mother**, also grandmother to Tyler, Jackson, Ali and Mason (Smith). She was recently diagnosed with invasive cancer and is now in hospice. Pray for wisdom and comfort for Werner and Shawna as they seek to care for her.

Upcoming Events & Activities:

Today is Sunday School Kick-off September 10, 11-12noon age specific classes begin for adults and children. *2017-18 Permission slips* are in mailboxes & in each classroom. Return the updated emergency contact information to the church office as soon as possible, so your children may participate in all activities.

Adult Faith Formation Opportunities this Fall. In addition to the continued ministries of *Coffee Break* and other small groups and Bible studies, we will be offering discussion groups on both **Sunday morning, from 11-12 and Wednesday night** from 6:30-8:00pm for adults:

On Sunday morning in the Emerson House next door, we will offer a four-week class (**September 10-October 1**) called '*First Things*' in which we will discuss some of the major foundations of the Christian faith, and life here at First Church. After that (**October 22-December 17**) we will offer a finance class put together by *Crown Financial Ministries* in which we will talk about using our earthly resources as God intended.

What a great kick-off this past week! Thanks to everyone who participated. Family Night Fellowship is for everyone on September 20, (meal) 5:45 to 6:15pm; (classes) 6:30 to 8:00pm – Church Family Night will be offered the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month. If you have never been to a Family Night Meal, or missed the first one, please come and enjoy delicious food (donate as you are able) with your church family. At 6:30pm we break off into Adult/ kid’s programs especially designed for you!

On Wednesday evenings we will be offering two opportunities at the same time (6:30-8:00 on the first and third Wednesday's each month). One class will be discussion of the book *Body and Soul: Reclaiming the Heidelberg Catechism* led by Stephanie Den Braber. The other class is entitled '*Don't Invite Them to Church: Moving from a come and see to a go and be Church*' led by Bret Lamsma. Sample books and curriculum are available in the back of church for your viewing. If you are interested in attending any of these classes, you can still **sign-up in the foyer** so that we can order the needed amount of books. We are looking forward to growing together this year through these opportunities.

Attention all High School Students (and parents) - The start of our Youth Group year is TONIGHT from **4pm-7pm**, at Cornerstone Park (across from Pirate’s cove on Belleview). Join us for fun and friendship! We also have a Fall retreat planned for the weekend of **October 20-22**. Please save the date!

Advanced Notice - Attention all **High School students and Senior Saints** (Senior Moments and others). Our youth group would like to host all of our Senior members for a dinner and game night on **October 8 from 5-7 in the Pit Stop**. In a few weeks there will be a sign up in the back of church for our Senior members so that we know how many to plan on. Questions? Contact Eileen Ruter or Betty Klap.

Senior Moments: Reminder, today, Sunday is the last day to sign up for the Sept. 12th mountain trip. This is needed for our head count for lunch. We plan to leave at 9:00 am. Please see the flyer for details. Questions: Betty K. [303-514-6251](tel:303-514-6251) or Beth P. [303-947-1085](tel:303-947-1085).

Hymn Sing – Today on September 10th at 3:00pm in the Sanctuary. Everyone is Invited to *praise God from whom all blessings flow*. Contact Henry Zoetewey if you have any questions.

Middle School Students - Club 68 is back! Our first meeting of the year will be on **Sunday, September 17, from 5-7 at church**. All 6th, 7th and 8th graders are invited for a time of food, fun, and learning. Dinner will be provided. Parents, there will be a **brief parents meeting** with additional information about the year at 5 that evening. Drop your students off with leaders (in Fellowship Hall) and parents meet Pastor Bret in the Pit Stop for more information.

Ladies Morning Bible Study with Walt Ackerman, in the Library, will resume on **Wednesday, September 20th at 9:30am**. *The Bible Jesus Read* by Philip Yancey will be the series for this fall. Books and participant guides are on the way!