

# Church Calendar

## Lord's Supper Celebration Sunday ~ September 8

Pastor Joel Preaching, offering is for General Operating Fund of First CRC.

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

YG Parent's meeting immediately following service

5-8pm - Youth Group at Cornerstone Park: 5150 S. Windermere

### Monday ~ September 9

9:30am - Prayer for Persecuted Believers in rm.12/13

6:30pm - Count Committee

### Tuesday ~ September 10

1:30-3pm ~ Staff Meeting in rm. 21

6:30pm - Deacon's Meeting

### Wednesday ~ September 11

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

Thursday ~ September 12 - Memorial Service for Marge Rozendaal

Friday ~ September 13 - Library

Saturday ~ September 14

Sunday ~ September 15

Pastor Joel Preaching, offering is for Benevolence (emergency assistance fund guidelines and applications are available behind the copier in rm 24).

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

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**Welcome visitors and guests.** So glad to see you! We celebrate the Lord's Supper today as part of our worship. All baptized believers who place their face in Jesus Christ for salvation are welcome to participate in this Sacrament.

**Ground Work: The Lord's Supper** - Communion, Lord's Supper, Eucharist...it's one sacrament known by many names, practiced in varying forms. Join us as we study Luke 22:14-20, John 6:52-58, and 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 with guest Jim Brownson to discover why Christians believe it's an essential means of receiving Christ and experiencing His presence. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails.

## Thank you to all serving this Sunday, September 8th

**Children in Worship:** Nancy Waanders, Lisa Dyhr, Andrew VanDenBoogaard, Trevin Schmitt

**Nursery Leader:** Cheryl Schmitt, Troy Newcombe, Savannah Blohm, Natalie Roberts

**Camera:** Davis Addink **Lyrics:** Dan Addink **Sound:** Logan Posthumus

**Prayer Ministry Elders:** Dave Cady & Jim DeHaan

**Coffee:** Sanders & Timmers **Lord's Supper: Southeast Group #3**

## Thank you to all serving next Sunday, September 15th

**Children in Worship:** Bret Lamsma, Denali Schmitt,

Lilli Vermeer, Matthew Jonker

**Nursery Leader:** Cristin Buys, Trevin Schmitt, Melanie Jonker

**Camera:** Ari Waanders **Lyrics:** Mieke Waanders **Sound:** Nancy Waanders

**Prayer Ministry Elders:** Cal Van Hekelem & Anne Buteyn

**Coffee:** Newcombe, Waanders

**Long Scraggy** was so much fun, we booked these dates for next year:

June 5-7, 2020 - Cadet camping/work weekend

August 28-30, 2020 - Camping weekend & Sunday worship, lunch on the 30th.

We had a great first Family Night this past Wednesday and we are already looking forward to our next one on September 18. If you have questions about Cadets, GEMS, meals, or adult groups please contact Pastor Bret or Shirley shirley@firstcrcdenver.org.

## Sunday School Class assignments: September 8th

2019-2020 Sunday School	Teacher(s)	Class size	Children	Classroom
3s & 4s	Maria Buteyn, Jessica Cleveland	7	3 years-Carter Buys, Audrey Keyes, Bill Schwager, Bentley Van Andel; 4 years-Lydia Dyhr, Ezra Nibbelink, Kolsten Ruter; -	#30 Purple
K's and 1st	Cory & Becky Vermeer	14	K's-Reese Gunnnett, Halle Soodsma, Vera Van Andel, Geoffrey Vander Ark, Everleigh Van Kooten; 1st-Makayla Buys, Ezra Dyhr, Divya Husa, Anne Jensen, Liam Ruter, Anneke Schreurs, McKinley Shivley, Owen Van Byssum, Geneva Waanders	#31 Blue
Song leaders (3's - 1st grade)	Jill Schreurs, Jessica Cleveland	21		Room 12/13
2nd & 3rd grades	Jon Waanders	9	2nd-Crosby Addink, Micah Cleveland, Emma Horinga, Hope Hunt, Giselle Van Andel; 3rd-Ginny Jensen, Lucy Ribbens, Ariadne Soodsma, Norman Vander Ark	#35 Brown
4th & 5th grades	Lisa Lohmann Karen Waanders	13	4th-Tucker Addink, Ethan Cleveland, Lacey DeBoer, Grady Gunnnett, Amelie Lighthiser, Ethan Ruter, Isaiah Schreurs, Dameon Shivley, Paige Van Byssum; 5th-Walt Lighthiser, RJ Rajewski, Lane Ribbens, Finn Roberts, Seth Soodsma	#33 Yellow
6th, 7th, & 8th grades	Amy Blahnik, Cathy Van Donselaar	10	6th-Adrian Schreurs, 7th-Evelyn Keyes, Karissa Lamsma, Ian Reynolds, Natalie Roberts; 8th-Jackson Schroder, Mason Smith, Owen Vermeer, Mieke Waanders	#34
9th & 10th Grade Catechism	Troy Newcombe Mike Cleveland	15	9th-Adam DeBoer, Madisyn Hunt, Matthew Jonker, Charlotte Reynolds, Trevin Schmitt, Ari Waanders, Sam Waanders; 10th-Bode Blohm, Erica Bol, Aaron Elgersma, James Jonker, Sam Lamsma, Andy Vanden Boogaard, Jacob Van Donselaar, Lilli Vermeer	Pit Stop
11th & 12th Grade Catechism	Pastor Joel	16	11th-Davis Addink, Mikaila Bol, Annika DeBoer, Leah Monroe, Sam Natelborg, Eliannah Reynolds, Denali Schmitt, Ali Schroder, Erin Youngsma; 12th-Kara Amidon, Zachary Blahnik, Savannah Blohm, Marissa Bol, Katherine Elgersma, Logan Posthumus, Wyatt Vermeer	Room 21

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## First Christian Reformed Church #303.733.4936

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

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# FIRST CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

DENVER, COLORADO

## Lord's Supper Sunday September 8, 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: Instrumental *Holy Spirit Living Breath of God*

Welcome

Processional

Call to Worship from Psalm 16

Say to the Lord,

**"You are my Lord;**

**apart from You I have no good thing."**

Say of the holy people who are in the land,

**"They are the noble ones in whom is all my delight."**

Those who run after other gods will suffer more and more.

**I will not worship such gods**

**or take up their names on my lips.**

Lord, You alone are my portion and my cup;

**You make my lot secure.**

The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places;

**surely I have a delightful inheritance.**

\*Song: *Psalm 23*

\*Reading from Psalm 16

I will praise the Lord, who counsels me;

**even at night my heart instructs me.**

I keep my eyes always on the Lord.

**With Him at my right hand, I will not be shaken.**

Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices;

**my body also will rest secure,**

**because You will not abandon me to the realm of the dead,**

**nor will you let your faithful one see decay.**

You make known to me the path of life;

**You will fill me with joy in Your presence,**

**with eternal pleasures at Your right hand.**

\*Song: *I Will Look Up*

\*God's Greeting

### Commissioning Ministry Leaders and Teachers

Commissioning ~ Director of Faith Formation, Dr. Bret Lamsma

Today we recognize those who have committed themselves to helping us get more deeply rooted in God's word. Our desire is to see the Spirit move in each of these ministries that are starting again in the fall, so we now ask the teachers and leaders of these groups to stand as we name the ministries so that we can pray over you:

Leaders please stand:

Children in Worship, Sunday School  
Nursery, Kid's Club, GEMS/Cadets  
Family Night Adult classes, including Coffee Break, and movie discussions  
Club 68, High School Youth Group  
Small Groups, Bible Studies & Prayer teams  
*And anyone else we may have missed.*

Leader: Teachers and leaders, you have been asked to use your gifts to help us study God's Word together. Help us to experience the joy of God's Word, which is sweeter than honey. Help us to be shaped and formed by its instruction. Teach us that we do not live by bread alone, but it is the Word of God which sustains us. How do you respond to this call?

\*Teachers/Leaders: **We commit ourselves, with God's help, to share His truth.**  
Congregation please stand.

Leader: Congregation, you are being provided with opportunities to study God's Word and to grow in Christ. Will you be open to God's instruction which He gives through His Word? Will you actively pursue a deeper understanding of God through the study of His word?

\*Congregation: **We commit ourselves, with God's help, to grow in his truth.**

Prayer for First CRC Ministries  
\*Song: *Ancient Words* LUYH 762  
Offering: General Fund  
Offertory: Summer

## Word

*This morning we want to recognize our **First grade students** as they move from regularly attending Children in Worship to participating in our regular worship service. We will be calling these special kids up front during the service and presenting them with a Bible from our church community. If you see one of these children at church today, congratulate them on this next step in faith development.*

Children In Worship Dismissal–Psalm 1

**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.

Scripture: Luke 14:25-33  
The word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

Sermon: *High Price Discipleship*  
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....**  
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!**

Invitation

Distribution Songs:

*The Wonderful Cross*  
*You Are My King (Amazing Love)*

Communion

Prayer

\*Sending Song: *Let It Be Said of Us*

\*Blessing

\*Postlude: Instrumental reprise *Let It Be Said of Us*

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

*Uganda will be our prayer focus for September and October. Believers in Uganda are being disowned for their faith. The Christian church is in danger for attempting to provide food and shelter for those seeking asylum from extremists. See the display on the North side silver message board. \*Take a prayer sheet; give the bottom half to a praying friend...*

Please pray for **Wayne Rozendaal**, Steve and Scott, as they celebrate Marge's life and grieve her death. Visitation will be Wednesday, Sept. 11 from 5-7pm at Bullock Mortuary: 1375 E Hampden Ave, Englewood, CO 80113. Memorial Service will be here at First CRC on **Thursday, Sept. 12<sup>th</sup> at 11am** with lunch afterwards.

- ❖ Continue to pray for **Sara Millard**, Calvin Theological Seminary student, hospitalized recently for kidney transplant issues.
- ❖ Together we pray for **Lee Smit**, Ina's brother, at UC Health. We ask for wise discernment for doctors in testing and treatment.

**Update on Judy** DenBraber's latest tests:

"We wanted to share the good news with our church family that Judy's recent PET scan revealed that the tumor in her arm has shrunk significantly and is no longer active (the results of the radiation she received in early July). Additionally, the rest of her tumors are still classified as "stable" by the medical team, meaning they are not growing and are not significantly active. Bottom line to all that is that Judy will just continue her current treatment regime which consists of an infusion every three weeks of the same drug she has been receiving for several years now. No need at this point to change to something different. Next PET scan will be in 3 months. Pray with us for the same results." *Russ & Judy*

**Annelies Shivley** "I would like to thank everyone who stood as witness to our Baptisms, and my Profession of Faith at Long Scraggy. The celebration was an amazing time of fellowship, surrounded by the beauty of the Lord. To be baptized with my grandson, **Kaleb**, made this sacrament profoundly meaningful for generations of the Shively family. Our guests felt the loving support of the First Church family and Coffee Break community. *Annelies Shivley*

## IN ~ Events & Upcoming Activities

**High School Youth Group** begins tonight! We meet 5-8pm at Cornerstone Park (maps are in mailboxes or ask a youth leader for directions). Dinner will be provided. Come ready to play games, hear about our year and meet new leaders! **Parents of High School students** - We will have a parents meeting today after the morning worship service. *We will meet right after church in the front of the sanctuary.*

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

**Men's Sat. AM Bible Study** in rm 21, *every other Sat* 7AM, next mtg. **Sept.14.**  
Contact Rod Oosterhouse: rodohouse@comcast.net

**Women's Morning Bible Study** will begin **September 25<sup>th</sup>** at **9:30am** in room 12/13, **to study** "*Cultures in Conflict*" by Ray VanderLaan.

**Senior Moment's Trip to Castlewood Canyon September 17<sup>th</sup>:**

The Senior Moments group is going to Castlewood Canyon on **September 17<sup>th</sup>**. The property is very walkable in and around the visitor's center pavilion where we will be having lunch. We'll meet at church at **9:00am** to depart by 9:15am. Our tour will start at the Visitor's center at 10:00am. Please sign up on the silver message board in the foyer, or email [engel8419@live.com](mailto:engel8419@live.com). Let Sharon know if you are attending, but driving yourself, since the pavilion has been rented. Bring your own lunch, beverages and dessert are provided.

**Sew & Sews:** Sew & Sews is scheduled to meet next in rms. 12/13 on **Sept.19.**  
Contact Joey Vander Ark for more information: [joeyvanark@aol.com](mailto:joeyvanark@aol.com)

**Stamp Class** card ministry meets **September 28<sup>th</sup>** in rm. 12/13.  
1-3pm in rm. 12/13. Their lovely cards are free for your use, available on the tables near the silver message boards.

## OUT ~ Serving & Sharing

**Freely Sharing Our Lives ~**

**Paul's Missionary Journeys In Greece** (April 2-14, 2020): Travel by motor coach (8 days) and cruise ship (3 days) to sites connected with Paul's 2nd and 3rd missionary journeys, as well as visit other major sites of biblical, archaeological, and cultural interest. Jeff Weima, Professor at Calvin Theological Seminary and leading Pauline scholar, hosts this inspirational tour. For more information, visit [www.jeffreyweima.com](http://www.jeffreyweima.com) or contact Dr. Weima at 616-328-3110 or [weimje@calvinseminary.edu](mailto:weimje@calvinseminary.edu)

**Humbly Embracing The Hurting ~**

**Circle of Hope:** The next meeting for this encouraging support group, for those navigating mental illness issues with a loved one, is (second Saturday of the month) **September 14<sup>th</sup>**, from 10-11:30am in rm. 21. Contact Cathy - [czoetewey@comcast.net](mailto:czoetewey@comcast.net).

**Our Prayer Group** For *Persecuted Believers* across the globe continues to meet on the second Monday of each month at 9:30am, in room 12/13.

**Joyfully Surrendering To Jesus ~**

**Sunday, September 15, 6:00 pm, Hope Fellowship Christian**

**Reformed Church:** On this 400th anniversary of the Synod of Dordt, Dr. Don Sinnema, retired professor of theology at Trinity Christian College, will present a "*Virtual Tour of the Synod of Dordt 1618-1619*". The Synod of Dordt dealt with the Arminian controversy over what has come to be known as the Five Points of Calvinism. The Virtual Tour will present an overview of the synod, with many PowerPoint visuals, from the perspective of President Johannes Bogerman, whom Sinnema will impersonate in full costume.  
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**A few of our neighboring congregations** are partnering to offer a "*Parenting Safe Children*" workshop at the Bethany E. Free Church in Centennial on **October 5 from 10 am to 2 pm**. More information is available on the flyers in the back of church. If you have any other questions please talk to Pastor Bret or Lynn Roberts. There is a cost associated with attending this workshop, but scholarships are available.