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Purpose

Timing

Covenant People

Galatians 3:23-4:7

TODAY: The covenant promise of God in the Bible is more than a ticket to eternal salvation, it is also an invitation to a new community of people

NEXT WEEK: Living in community with other people is not always easy; the early church needed to strengthen the bonds of their community, the church today still walks in that path

DEACONS REPORT

Thanks to the congregation for the gifts received on Oct 18:

Received for General Ministries:	\$4,207.00
Avg. weekly collection should be:	\$6,445.00
Received for Christian Education:	\$155.00
Avg. weekly collection should be:	\$629.20

Community Offering:

CRCNA- Disability Concerns \$12.00

Upcoming Community Offerings

TODAY: Bible League International serves the under-resourced Church with Bibles and training to transform lives worldwide through God’s Word. They do this through a Bible study program that trains local church members in evangelism and discipleship, resources and training for church planters, Bible-based literacy programs to teach reading and writing skills, and also have their own translation of the Bible that makes God’s Word accessible at a basic reading level (Easy-To-Read Version, ERV).

- Nov 1:** World Renew – World Hunger Sunday
- Nov 8:** Desert Streams Ministry – Lonts
- Nov 15:** CRCNA – Chaplaincy and Care Ministry
- Nov 22:** CRCNA – Office of Social Justice
- Nov 29:** CRCNA – Back to God Ministries International

THIS WEEK

Monday, Oct 26

9am Food Pantry

Tuesday, Oct 27

9:15am Tuesday Small Group

6:30pm Life Skills

7pm Elders/Deacons

Sunday, Nov 1

9:30am Worship

10:30am Church School

COMING UP

LIFE SKILLS, Nov 3

ADMIN BOARD, Nov 10

STAFF

Tom VanderPloeg (Pastor)

Barb Sanders (Pastor)

Andrew Lenhart (Worship)

Sherri DeVries (Custodian)

Liz Boerman (Admin Assistant)

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WELCOME
we are glad you are here!

CHILDREN ARE WELCOME in our service

Also available during worship

- Nursery for infants & toddlers
- “Busy Boxes” with kid’s bulletin & activities
- Puzzle & sermon notes written by Pastor Tom for students Grades 3 & up (found by weekly bulletins)

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS & SONGSHEETS are available at the sound booth

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Call to Worship

We Profess Our Faith Together

Children's Message (*Mary Wood-Agents*)

Children age 3yrs - 5th grade are invited to come forward and choose a hoop to sit in as they hear a special message.

Prayers of the People

Scripture *Galatians 3:23-4:7*

²³ Before the coming of this faith, we were held in custody under the law, locked up until the faith that was to come would be revealed. ²⁴ So the law was our guardian until Christ came that we might be justified by faith. ²⁵ Now that this faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian.

²⁶ So in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith, ²⁷ for all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. ²⁸ There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. ²⁹ If you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise. ⁴ What I am saying is that as long as an heir is underage, he is no different from a slave, although he owns the whole estate. ² The heir is subject to guardians and trustees until the time set by his father. ³ So also, when we were underage, we were in slavery under the elemental spiritual forces of the world. ⁴ But when the set time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, ⁵ to redeem those under the law, that we might receive adoption to sonship. ⁶ Because you are his sons, God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, the Spirit who calls out, "Abba, Father." ⁷ So you are no longer a slave, but God's child; and since you are his child, God has made you also an heir.

Message "Covenant People" [part 2]

*No Longer Slaves
Great Are You Lord
Great Things*

God's Parting Blessing

TODAY:

9:30am Worship

10:30am Profession of Faith Class (room 21)

CHURCH LIFE



PLEDGES

Pledge forms for the 2021 budget are in your mailboxes and can be returned to the slot at the Welcome Center or to the office by Nov 1 .

CHURCH SCHOOL

There will be no church school today due to students and church school teachers being on fall break from school and enjoying some time away.

WORLD HUNGER SUNDAY

 Over 1 billion people around the world are hungry. Next Sunday, we'll be observing World Hunger Sunday. God gives us food for the body and food for the spirit. He has a place for all of us at His table. Pick up your World Hunger Campaign devotionals from your boxes in the lobby and spend some time thinking about why and how we welcome others to God's table. Each family will get the adult version and each child will receive the children's version. Extra devotionals are located at the Information center in the lobby. Peter Fish envelopes and Peter Fish banks for the children are also in your boxes. 

CHURCH SCHOOL

We are still in need of a teacher or two who can team to work with our church school class for grades 3-6. Please contact **Pastor Barb** for more information.

PROFESSION OF FAITH CLASSES

- Our final class meets for 30 minutes immediately following worship today in room 21.
- Attendance does not commit you to making profession of faith.
- Contact **Pastor Barb** or **Pastor Tom** if you plan to attend or would like more information.

PRAYER FOCUS

Recent Updates:

- **Tom Westra** had knee replacement surgery on October 20. We give thanks that surgery went well and pray for a good recovery process.

Outreach:

- **Bible League** as they support under-resourced churches worldwide with bibles and training. This is done through a Bible study program that trains local church members in evangelism and discipleship.

Continuing Needs:

- Remember in prayer those who are not able to worship with us on Sundays and have restrictions on visitors: **Gloria DeWitte, Caroline Dik, Lois Oom, Rachel Tjoelker, and Char VanDommelen.**
- Remember in your prayers those who have ongoing health needs and concerns: **Russ Ballinger, Ron Dykstra, Valerie Fleming, Jo Hanenburg, Len Koetje, Gary Meengs, Mike Philo, Arv & Pearl Tap, Tom & Donna Westra, and Don Winkle.**

OUTREACH/VOLUNTEER

BACKPACK BUDDIES

October food needs:

Fruit cups/ Applesauce cups, raisins, nutrigain bars, chunky-style chicken or beef soup, tuna, tuna helper, chicken helper, gift cards to Aldi or Meijer (can be given to the Deacons or Sandy Campo).

Items may be placed in the Back-Pack Buddies box.

Thanks so much for your care and support. Questions? Contact **Sandy Campo**.

LIFE SKILLS

We continue to meet on Tuesdays for class and mentoring. We are still in need of a couple more mentors. Contact **Laura VanderPloeg** for more information on how to become a mentor.

LOVE INC FOOD PANTRY & INVITATION

The Food Pantry is up and running on Monday mornings from 9-12. We would love to add more times. We have a couple more interested in volunteering but could use more! This does not have to be an every week commitment. If you want to help out every other week or even once a month, we could use you. We *invite you* to meet with the current volunteers on Monday, Oct. 26 at 10am in the Food Pantry. If you have any questions feel free to reach out to **Bonnie Houtstra, Nancy VanDenBerg, Mary Visser** or **Linda Westra**.