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ATLAS for Life – Pipestone (101 2nd St. NE) invites you to join us for our annual Christmas Rummage and Boutique on Saturday, November 15 from 9:00am-3:00pm. Browse and shop the Christmas rummage items and the Christmas décor boutique, including the highly popular outdoor Christmas planters. Also available to purchase will be fresh caramel rolls (as long as they last) and coffee along with a hot sandwich noon lunch (for \$7.00) - serving starting at 11:30. Your support helps ATLAS to share God's love story full of love, grace, mercy, and hope!

The ATLAS for Life Christmas Rummage and Boutique will be held on Saturday, November 15. Please mark your calendar, and if you have a few Christmas items to donate to our fundraiser, please drop off donations at the ATLAS office (101 2nd St. NE - Pipestone) on Tuesdays or Thursdays. Another item that is helpful is large planter pots. With these requests, knowing your prayer support is the greatest gift of all!

There will be a Red Cross blood drive at the First Christian Reformed Church in Edgerton on Monday, November 17 from 12:30 to 6:30. Please call Betty at 507-227-8416 or fbhuisken@gmail.com to make or confirm an appointment. There is a constant need for blood. We would like to encourage our younger age people to donate as many of our donors are getting older and are no longer able to donate. Anyone 16 yrs.(with parental consent) or older and in good health is able to donate.

Word & Deed Prayer Update – Christ-centered Education In Indonesia: As Christians, we know full well that the transforming message of the Gospel will meet resistance and that spiritual battles know no geographic boundaries. The resistance witnessed in the highlands of Papua, Indonesia, is especially challenging. Not only are there deeply-rooted animistic traditions to overcome, but Indonesia's systemic racism and a Papuan sense of entitlement for government aid also present significant barriers for adopting a Christian mindset. In the midst of those challenges our partner, YKW Teacher's College, continues to witness the transforming work of the Holy Spirit in the hearts and minds of young men and women to become His tools as teachers in elementary schools. Please pray that the Lord will destroy both the spiritual and man-made barriers and provide open fields for a plentiful Gospel-harvest in Indonesia.

CALLED: Full time ministry is an extraordinary calling and great privilege, and critical for the purposes of God in this world. The gospel is the power of God unto salvation. But "how are they to hear without someone preaching? And how are they to preach unless they are sent?" If you have ever wondered if God is calling you to serve Him vocationally, whether as a pastor, missionary, chaplain, or something else; if you have questions about what ministry is like; if you wonder if it is worth it; if you don't know the next steps or process – please join us at Dordt University on November 22 from 10-3 for **'CALLED'**. Stephen Terpstra, John Klompien, and John Lee, along with missions and candidacy experts, will encourage you, talk with you, answer your questions, and explore if God is calling you. The event is free of charge and is for people of all ages, from high school to those nearing retirement, who are exploring full or part time ministry. For more information and to register, go to: <https://forms.gle/Sg6Zh4Jx6cbPDiE9A> or follow the QR code on the poster in the back of church. Questions? Email pastor@firstcrcoc.org.

The Lord’s Day – November 9, 2025
Morning Worship - 9:30 A.M.
Led by: Pastor Scott Muilenburg

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Silent Prayer & the Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy 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. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

*Greeting One Another

*Call to Worship: Psalm 111:2-4

*Opening Songs of Honor: #475 *“Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven”*
#253 *“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”* (v. 1, 4)

Standard of Righteousness: Matthew 22:34-40

Prayer of Confession & Assurance of Pardon

*Song of Thanksgiving: *“How Deep the Father’s Love For Us”*
At this time, children ages 3-5 may head downstairs for a Bible lesson,
located downstairs in Room 4.

Musical Offering: *“I Set My Hope on Jesus”* – First CRC Choir

Scripture Reading: John 7:20-36 (p. 1659)

Sermon: “Opposition to Jesus”

*Song of Response: *“Wonderful, Merciful Savior”*

Prayer of the Lord’s People

Offering: Word and Deed Ministries

*Benediction

*Parting Song: #621 *“The God of Abraham Praise”* (v. 5)
Next Sunday's Offering: Christian Education

Please DO NOT place large objects on the mailboxes. If the mailbox won’t shut, please place the item on top of the mailboxes and place a note in the mailbox. Large items in the boxes make it hard for others to get mail in and out of the boxes.

SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

SWC Fall Auction is Coming Soon!

We’re excited to invite you to a fun evening of **fellowship, food, and support for SWC!** Our goal this year is to raise **\$175,000**, and we can’t do it without our wonderful supporters.

The **online auction** opens on **November 10**, featuring a great variety of items to bid on. Then, join us in person on **Friday, November 15:**

- **4:00 PM** – Online auction and item viewing begins
- **4:30–6:15 PM** – Enjoy a **grilled bacon cheeseburger meal**
- **6:30 PM** – **Live auction** begins (combined men’s and women’s auction)
- **Final Frenzy!** After the live auction ends, you’ll have **10 minutes** to check and finalize your online bids before everything closes.

Thank you for helping make this event a success — your generosity truly makes a difference for our school community!

COMMUNITY & MISC

Give the gift of flavor and community! Edgebrook Heritage cookbook is the perfect present for any occasion. It is packed with cherished recipes and hometown warmth- perfect for friends, family or anyone who loves good food and great stories. GSS-Way makes it easy! They will wrap and mail the cookbook directly to your chosen recipient. You can purchase the cookbook for \$20. Wrapping and shipping is \$15. Call 507-631-1209 to order today!

Edgebrook is looking for Country Store donations for the residents. The Country Store is used as an alternative for bingo candy. Listed are some ideas as to what can be donated: Lip balm, hand lotion (scented or unscented), slippers, non-skid socks, puzzle books (word search, crossword, Sudoku, large print), adult coloring books/colored pencils, playing cards/card games, calendars, notepads/pens and pretty Kleenex boxes.

Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life fall rally will be held on Monday, November 10 at 7:00 p.m. in the party room at Pizza Ranch in Pipestone. Don Parker, co-executive director of MCCL, will be the guest speaker.

Don will educate us about what is going on in the state of Minnesota concerning the fight against abortion. Please come to support what MCCL is doing to inform us about this very urgent issue, and please invite your friends.

Edgerton Food Shelf: The Edgerton Food Shelf is seeking donations to support local families. Please bring food, personal care items, or monetary gifts to First Reformed Church (checks payable to *Edgerton Food Shelf*). Items always needed: peanut butter, jelly, mac & cheese, cereal, pancake mix, syrup, canned vegetables or fruit, body wash, toilet paper, and detergent. They are also collecting Thanksgiving items: boxed stuffing, cranberry sauce, instant potatoes, and frozen pies by November 12. If you have any questions, please contact Art & Sandy Menning, Shar Miedema, Brenda Kooi, Mary

The Congregational Meeting is scheduled for November 20 at 7:00PM. The next step of the nominations process will take place with a congregational vote to approve the nominees listed below. All names which receive a simple majority will be placed in the bag for selection after the Sunday morning worship service on November 23.

The nominees for the office of Elder are Brian Busker, Brad Prouty and Nick Sjaarda.
The nominees for the office of Deacon are Rod Bleyenbergh, Micah Fennema, Derek Fey, Justin Gunnink, Alex Nykamp, Logan Schoonhoven, and Collin Vis.
Please ask the King of the Church, Jesus Christ to guide and prosper His bride, the church, and to prepare these men “to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do”. (Eph. 2:10)

Nov 4, 2025 council meeting notes:

- Approved the Missions Committee request to increase our monetary support to A&K to \$8000 to be in line with our other missionaries, this is to be presented to the congregation at the congregational meeting.
- Budget committee’s proposed budget was approved for presentation to the congregation.
- We will not be having the 5th Sunday potluck this month due to the youth group meal taking place this month, and the Thanksgiving Holiday.
- Mutual Censure was performed.

Missionary Christmas Cards - Please remember our missionary families this Christmas season with a card or letter to let them know that you are praying for them. There are boxes in the foyer for you to place your Christmas cards in. Please have your cards in by Sunday, November 30 so we can get them sent off. - Thank you, the Mission Committee

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes are here. This is a wonderful opportunity for families to serve together. Packing a shoebox is a great way to teach your children about sharing the love of Jesus with others. Let’s pack shoeboxes together to bring joy and the Good News to children around the world! Please have your boxes **returned by Friday, November 14**. Thank you.

OUTREACH OPPORTUNITY: Recovery operations still continue in the Rock Valley area after the devastating flooding of 2024. The recovery team is making a concentrated push to finish these projects by the end of this year. You have the opportunity to sign up and assist for 3-5 days if you have some basic construction skills. You do not need to be a professional. Tasks will involve remodeling and rebuilding; plans and material will be provided. There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer. If you have questions or would like more details, you can talk to Ron Nykamp (507-227-3039) as he has been in contact with one of the project coordinators. The working days for the group will most likely be the first or second week in December.

Please note that Adults Bells will now be meeting on Wednesdays from 5:45-6:25 in the Sanctuary. New bell ringers are ALWAYS welcome!

The Lord’s Day – November 9, 2025
Evening Worship – 6:30 P.M.
Led by: Pastor Leroy Christoffels

Introit: *"How Firm a Foundation"* - Kaden Schmidt

Welcome & Announcements

Silent Prayer

Expression of Dependence: Psalm 121:1-2

Pastor: I lift up my eyes to the hills – where does my help come from?

People: My help comes from the LORD, the Maker of heaven and earth.

Call to Worship – from Romans 16:25-27

*The Lord’s Greeting

*Opening Song of Praise: 505:1,2,5,6 “For All the Saints”

Reading: Canons III-IV “Human Corruption, Conversion to God, and the Way It Occurs” Articles 14-15

Congregational Prayer

*Song of Thanksgiving: 485 “O Christ, Out Hope, Our Heart’s Desire”

Scripture: II Kings 13:14-25

Sermon: **THE CHARIOTS OF ISRAEL AND ITS HORSEMEN**

*Song of Response: 68:1,6,9 “Let God Arise and by His Might”

Offertory Prayer

Offering and Offertory: Word & Deed Ministries

*Confession of Faith: The Apostle’s Creed (p. 814)

*Benediction

*Doxology: 318 “The Day You Gave Us, Lord, Is Ended”

SERMON NOTES – November 9, 2025

“Opposition to Jesus”
John 7:20-36

THE CHARIOTS OF ISRAEL AND ITS HORSEMEN
II Kings 13:14-25

REFORMATION MATTERS: "Grace means that if God had not given you his Spirit, you would never have believed. Grace means you bring nothing to God, who makes you into something and gives you everything. That is the heart of grace. Many times, we don't think bringing nothing is good enough; we want to do something that sounds more active—we want to be told what to do, what steps to take. But the biggest change that can have the biggest impact happens on the inside. Come empty-handed to God; he will give you everything; he will give you himself." - Jack Miller, in *"Saving Grace: Daily Devotions from Jack Miller"*

THIS WEEK’S OPPORTUNITIES:

Today	9:30 am	- Morning Worship
	10:45 am	- Kid's Praise
		- Sunday School
		-Living for the King Discipleship Class in the sanctuary
	6:30 pm	- Evening Worship
Mon	7:00 pm	- Mens Society- Belgic Confessions Articles 17 & 18
Wed	9:30 am	- Coffee Break & Story Hour
	5:45 pm	- Adult Bells
	6:00 pm	- Kids of Grace
	6:30 pm	- Evening Coffee Break
		- GEMS & Cadets
Thurs	9:30 am	- Christian Fellowship
Sat	7-8 am	-Theology for Breakfast

FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES:

Nov 15	SWC Donation Sale
Nov 20	Youth Group Fundraiser Supper
	Congregational meeting at 7 pm

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Many thanks for sharing in the celebration of my milestone birthday! All the cards, phone calls, texts, greetings, gifts, flowers and the open house are much appreciated. God is good all the time! -Carrie Kuipers

Come support our youth! Annual YPS Fundraiser supper this year will be Nacho Night (and tacos!) before the congregational meeting on Nov 20 from 5-7pm. Our youth will help in the nursery during the meeting for ages 0-3 years old and will have activities in the basement for ages 4yrs old -2nd grade. Love dessert? Please sign up to bring some dessert to help with this youth fundraiser. Sign ups are at the back of church or contact Melissa Prouty or Shannon Nykamp with questions.

Prayer Warriors: Please find your prayer partner immediately after church this morning for a short time to connect in prayer before catechism.

Church Game Night! Please join us for a time of fun and fellowship this Friday, November 14th, from 6:15pm-8:00pm. All ages are welcome. Feel free to bring a snack to share. If you have questions, please reach out to Megan B. or Tawni P.

MEMBERS IN SERVICE

TODAY- NOVEMBER 9:

Nursery: **AM** – Jon & Kelsey S, Jen B, Brooklyn T, Shelbi K
PM- Lori S, Brigitte P, Izzy M, Kinley S

Valet: Dan H
Ushers: Clayton B, Rod C, Curt M, Clint S
Sound: AM – Ray S PM – Ray S
Video: Josi VH
Projection: Jan/Kaden
Medical Assistant: Nick S
Children’s Worship: Andrea L & Brynlee T

NEXT WEEK- NOVEMBER 16:

Nursery: **AM** – Phil & Katie F, Christa B, Tate H, Max VH
PM- Sarah B, Thea N, Hannah M, Jorja H
Valet: Darrin DK
Ushers: Clayton B, Rod C, Curt M, Clint S
Sound: AM – Jesse VH PM – Jesse VH
Video: Kevin VH
Projection: Kirk/Jonathan
Medical Assistant: Brenda K
Children’s Worship: Carmen F & Jorja H
Praise Team: Mark & Lori, Kurt & Vonda, Tadd & Erica, Seth & Brittany
Keyboard: Kaitlyn

MISSIONARIES

Margaret Njuguna En-Gedi Children’s Home, Kenya	Sos and Kara Maletougou Christian Reformed World Missions West Africa	Rev. William & Aletha Green Latin Amer. Fellowship of Reformed Churches, Costa Rica
	A&K L. Global Serve International South East Asia	

CHURCH INFORMATION

