

Holy Spirit – Revive Us Anew!

Sunday, June 6, 2010

We extend a special welcome to guests who join us today! We welcome Pastor Jack Hielema to our pulpit today.

Children **ages 3 to grade 5** will be dismissed for *Sunday school*. There is supervised nursery care for infants to age 3 today. Parents should accompany children who leave the worship service for any reason.

Guests at First Church are cordially invited to a time of fellowship and friendship in the Fellowship Hall following the worship service

We Worship Our Great and Mighty God

*indicates to stand if able

Welcome/Announcements

Gathering Songs

“Children of Light”

“Be Exalted, O God”

*Call to Worship

*Confession of Dependence –

Pastor: *Our help is in the Lord, maker of heaven and earth.*

Cong: **Threefold Amen** – PsH 641

*God’s Greeting

*Hymn of Praise – “Majesty”

*A Time of Friendship

Service of Reconciliation

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Communal Reading – Romans 13: 8-10

Hymn of Promise – PsH 285

“O Jesus, I Have Promised”

Assurance of Pardon – Psalm 146

Hymn – PsH 399 vs. 1, 3, 5

“Jesus Lives, and So Do I”

Prayer for Guidance

Scripture – Exodus 14: 26-31; Matthew 4: 1-11

Message – **The Triumph of the Redeemed**

Recitation – Exodus 15: 1-8

*Hymn of Liberation – PsH 476

“When Israel Was in Egypt’s Land”

Pastoral Prayer

Our Tithes & Offerings

First Church Ministry Budget

Public Justice Resource Centre

*Blessing

*Doxology – PsH 631

“Praise and Thanksgiving” (sing as a round)

Serving Today...

Greeting: Jack Soley

Helping Hands: Alfred Prins

Nursery: Rolanda Huizenga, Tyler/Jobena Westera

FIRST CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

...our condolences to the **Pikkert** and **Westera** families in this time of sorrow. The funeral for the late Ralph Pikkert will be held on Tuesday, June 8 at 1.00p at the Woody Nook CRC. Visitation will take place on Monday, June 7 from 7p - 9p at the family farm.

...congratulations to **Brian & Rachel Drok** who were married yesterday in Nobleford.

...continue to pray for **Laura Van Zanten** who remains under doctor’s care. She is now at home.

...**Nell Drost Van Ry** is now back home at Bethany Care Centre after partial hip replacement surgery.

...pray for **Sue Konynenbelt** who is at home recovering from minor surgery.

...Remember the many people who are unable to worship with us regularly due to illness or age including **Lies Visser, Nell Drost, Mrs. Spyksma, Winnie Tensen, Audrey Vermeer, John Lindhout, Henk Krikke, and Winnie Krikke.**

FIRST CHURCH NEWS AND EVENTS

YOU ARE INVITED to a time of fellowship in the Fellowship Hall after the morning worship service. Your hosts today: Kim & Jim Bakker

SCRIPTURE, PRAYER, MEDITATION As a follow up for these 'exercises' we invite you to join us in a short prayer service tonight at 6.00p. Please bring your friends. Are you still doing your 'exercises' in God's gymnasium? *Pastor Jack*

OFFICE BEARER SELECTION Council presents the following names for selection to the office of Elder (2 to be selected): *Harvey Sypkes, Jan Windhorst, Bennie Borgman, Art Van Zanten, and Warren Elgersma*. For Deacon (2 to be selected): *Corry Badger, Bruce Sytsma, and Roland Goulet*. If there are no lawful objections brought forth to Council, selection by lot will take place after the morning worship service on June 13th. May the Lord continue to build our church through this selection process.

SHALL WE GATHER... a concert featuring the Chancel Choir of First Church with guest artist, Spenser Pasman, tenor; *June 13 at 7.30p*. This will be an inspirational evening of music and time of remembering.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL – JULY 5-9

WOW! 4 weeks from tomorrow we look forward to welcoming children from our community to learn how to be "Heroes for Jesus"! We now have all our VBS staff in place! Thank you! We are thrilled with your wonderful response! We appreciate how flexible people have been –your willingness to rearrange your schedule or to share a VBS job all in order to make sure VBS runs smoothly is wonderful! We look forward to a great week working together with such an awesome team!

TEACHERS: Look for your teaching materials in your mailbox. Have fun looking through them and starting to make your plans!

TEACHERS and HELPERS: Please plan on a short 1 hour meeting on Wed, June 16 at 7p here at the church. Please make this a priority as it is our only chance to meet before VBS.

EVERYONE: Please pray for us as we prepare and for the children who will be attending. Think about who you can invite. Invitations are on the table in the foyer. If you can help in any way please give us a call: Michelle Driedger 403.309.8855 or Connie Sypkes 403.340.8373

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! Our camps are coming up fast, and they only can be put on with some great help!

This is your chance to be involved and help make it a great summer here at First CRC.

In order to host our summer camps this year we need volunteers to help out! For the Soccer Camp (July 26-30) we need volunteers to:

- Help coach and supervise the kids
- Help with registration the morning of camp
- Help in the kitchen
- Lead morning activities
- Billet a coach for the week- July 25-30

This year for the Soccer Camp we are providing our campers with lunch, this means will need volunteers to come and prepare lunches.

For our Arts Camp (August 9-13) we need volunteers to help in areas like:

-Teaching a class- it can be anything from drama, scrap-booking, card making, baking, and cooking... anything fun and creative!

- Help with registration the morning of camp
-Lead morning activities before the camp starts
And of course we need cookie bakers for both camps! If you can help out anyway this summer, contact Jeanette through the church office, or after church at the Welcome Center.

PARENTS AND YOUTH (all those entering grades 7-12 in the fall) are invited to a meeting to discuss the changes to youth ministry at First CRC on Sunday, June 13th after church in the Council room! There will be snacks available to everyone! So please come and join us and give your input to what you would like to see happen for youth in the fall!

INVITATION FOR ART Several weeks ago, the Worship & Arts Team sent a letter requesting submissions for art work for the church. We are still open to submissions. If you have questions, please contact a member of the team: Rolanda Huizenga, Arista Bouch, Sharyn Lodewyk, Beatty Vriend, Dale Dickau, and Cor Pikkert.

NEW ISSUE of Credo Magazine can be picked up at the kiosk in the west hallway.

BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN ends on Father's Day on June 20. You can bring your FULL bottles back anytime and give to one of the Deacons or Greeters.

Youth Happenings....

.My Devotions summer booklets can be found in the east foyer and west foyer info racks.

-Paintball! Boys Only Paintball is re-scheduled for Saturday, June 19th. This event is open to all guys entering grade 7 in the fall up to young adults! Friends

are also welcome to come. There is a limit of 25 people -- first come, first serve! Please note we must have at least 15 guys signed up by Sunday, June 13th or the event will be cancelled. Please plan to meet at the church at 5:30pm and we will have a BBQ followed by paintball! Cost is \$25 per person. Contact Cathy Nicolay if you have any questions.

-Girls Night Girls Only "formal" night is re-scheduled for Saturday, June 19th. Come to the church for 5:30pm clad in your best formal dress and prepare for a fabulous dinner and entertainment and movie! We must have at least 15 girls signed up by Sunday, June 13th or the event will be cancelled. This event is open to all girls entering grade 7 and young adults!

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

RED DEER MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION has made a commitment to be in prayer weekly for a Christian organization in the City of Red Deer. In this way we are showing our unity and support for each other. This week our prayer is for our church.

PRAYER FOR SYNOD The congregations of the Christian Reformed Church in North America are asked to remember the synodical assembly in intercessory prayers on Sundays, June 6 and 13. Let us pray that the Holy Spirit will equip the delegates to serve in faith and obedience and will lead the Christian Reformed Church into new and challenging areas of ministry. May we together experience the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace as we strive to know and to do the will of the Lord.

LAST OCTOBER, a typhoon swept the South China Sea and smashed into Luzon Island, killing hundreds and destroying the homes and livelihoods of many in the northern Philippines. Values Education Classes that teach students about God and godly living were suspended for two weeks across the island as people recovered from their losses. "This incident has made me realize the urgency of praying for my pupils and for their salvation," shares a grieving volunteer teacher, after learning that one of his students had lost six family members in the typhoon. Despite the hardships and tragedies the typhoon has caused, the volunteer teachers and pastors are thankful for the opportunities God has given them to reach out to the people in their communities with the message of Jesus Christ. They continue to work wholeheartedly, walking many miles through rough terrain to teach the children the truth of God's saving grace. Please pray for the thousands of young hearts waiting to hear about the God who loves them! The Bible League of Canada, www.bibleleague.ca

WITH PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING Rimbey Christian Reformed Church is celebrating 25 years as a congregation. A banquet will be held on Sept 11 – 6.30p. Tickets for the evening are available for \$20 each from Rose Grutterink @ 403.843.6075; call after 6.00p. On Sunday, Sept 12 there will be a Celebration Service at the Rimbey Community Centre at 10.00a to which all are invited to attend.

FROM PASTOR HERMAN'S DESK For a long time, I've had the desire to visit Moscow. I'd like to see Pretoria and Johannesburg too! And Canberra, and Rio de Janeiro and Hong Kong. I'd also like to walk the Wall of China. But I don't think I'm going to make it in this life.

However, I just might be able to do it in the next! There are two words in the Greek language (in which the New Testament was written) to indicate the English word "new." There is **ne'os** which indicates something that has just come into existence. A new car that has just come off the assembly-line or a new-born baby is ne'os. There is also the word **kainos** which indicates something that has been totally re-newed. An old car that has been completely overhauled so that it is as good as new is kainos. It's this latter word that is used over and over again in the New Testament to indicate the new heavens and the new earth. Moreover, each of us, through faith in the Gospel of Jesus Christ, has become new (kainos) creations!

The Bible indicates that with the general resurrection at the last day, our bodies will be raised to become just like the resurrected body of our Saviour! With his resurrected body, he was able to pass through closed doors and to transport himself from Emmaus to Jerusalem in the blink of an eye!

So maybe we'll be able to visit all those interesting places on this earth after all! There'll surely be enough time to do that. Besides, I might even be able to transport myself from Red Deer to Moscow and all those other places in the twinkling of an eye! It will be a transformed world! There'll be no sin there and all the effects of sin will be gone as well - - no more pain or sorrow or trouble or dying anymore. Even the lion and the lamb will lie down together in peace and children will be able to play fearlessly with the cobra because everything will be the way it was supposed to be in the beginning when God created the Garden of Eden.

Doesn't this sound exciting? Awesomely so? I'm eagerly waiting (and longing) for that day to arrive. Aren't you? - - Pastor Herman

ADDRESS UPDATE:

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Today's Laugh

“Locked Out”

First I had to work late. Then I discovered that I'd locked my keys in the car. But the last straw was learning that AMA couldn't get a locksmith to me for at least two hours. Finally the guy showed, looking exhausted.

As he struggled with my door, I joked, “Do those Slim Jim tools come in purse size?”

“Yeah,” he muttered. “They're called keys.”

Birthday Greetings!

June	6	Alice Groeneveld Morgan Brouwer
	7	Pat Brouwer
	9	Alie Oosterhoff Klazien Sietzema Art van Zanten
	11	Dorothy Brouwer

Serving next week....

Greeter: Carly Duduman

Helping Hands: Nick Korver

Coffee: Rob/Sonya Wagenaar

Nursery: Rob/Barb Hessel, Jana VanderVeen

Stewardship notes....

Today's Tithes and Offerings:

First Church Ministry Budget
Public Justice Resource Centre

Future Offerings:

June 13 – Benevolent Fund

June 20 – Shalom Counselling

Deer Dollars/Giving Envelopes are available in the church office immediately after the morning service.

Our giving – May 23/30

Budget \$10,181.00

Mortgage \$ 4,090.00

Pregnancy Care \$ 651.00

This week at First Church...

Today	6.00p	Scripture, Prayer, Meditation
Tues	6.30p	Slo-pitch – Sunnybrook
	7.30p	Deacon's
	8.00p	Slo-pitch – Montfort East
Wed	8.30a	Red Deer Ministerial
	9.00a	Adult Day Program
	7.30p	Administration Team
Thurs	6.30p	Slo-pitch - Rosedale
	7.30p	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
	8.00p	Slo-pitch – Montfort East
Sunday	10.00a	Morning Worship
	7.30p	Choir Concert

Library Hours: Tuesday: 9.30a – 11.30a
Sunday's – after am worship services

Check the church web site: www.firstcreddeer.org for current information.