

Sunday, July 31, 2022 – a Worship Celebration

Welcome to all who are worshipping with us today—members, visitors, those passing through, and those looking for a church home. We're glad you've joined us! Please stay following worship for a cup of coffee and fellowship; we would like to get to know you.

Worship Notes:

- This morning Dr Nathan Hitchcock will give our message.
- Our first offering this morning is for the **General Fund**. Our second offering is for **ATLAS of Sioux Center**. A.T.L.A.S. (Attaining Truth Love And Self-control) is a Christ-centered ministry that provides personal development services to individuals and families who are hurting for a variety of reasons. To learn more go to: <http://www.atlasofsiouxcenter.org/>
- Next Sunday's second offering will be for the **Ministry Center Fund**.

Future Pulpit Supply:

- August 7: Dave Mulder
- August 14: Dr Nathan Hitchcock
- August 21: Dr Nathan Hitchcock (*communion*)
- August 28: Dr Nathan Hitchcock

Announcements / What's Up:

The Council invites you to join them for a meeting immediately after worship TODAY. With Pastor Nathan's help, they have been working on an organizational model for Bridge as we move forward. They have examined and tested several church leadership models and are excited to present their recommendation to you and get your feedback. There will be a short presentation in Te Paske Theatre as soon as the service is done, followed by an opportunity for you to share your thoughts with a Council member in the cafeteria over a cup of coffee.

Pizza Fundraiser: We'll be making pizzas **THIS WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3, beginning at 5:00pm in the Dordt Commons.** The pizzas you sold and/or purchased will need to be picked up and money turned in that same evening, beginning at 6:30pm.

Please note: We'll be worshipping in **Te Paske Theatre** through August 14 while the school puts in a new HVAC unit in the intermediate school gym. **PLEASE enter the middle school building using the MAIN, SOUTH ENTRANCE.** We may still park on the east side of the building, but we won't be able to use the east entrance.

Outreach Opportunity: You can volunteer to reach out to our community this month by serving at the Hope Food Pantry! Volunteers help by gathering and/or passing out grocery items and basic necessities to those in need. Bridge of Hope is scheduled to serve the 2nd Wednesday of each month and are needed on **Wednesday, August 10**. The hours to help are either **1:30-3:30** or **3:30-5:30**. Contact Tiffany at r_tpostma@hotmail.com or 712.578.9675 if you're able to help.



Congregation: We have a unique opportunity to join other churches from NW Iowa to care for Ukrainians in partnership with the Orphan Grain Train (OGT), a reputable, world-wide ministry with decades of proven outreach to hurting people around the globe. (www.ogt.org) We are invited to purchase and bring specific items for the Ukrainian people in order to share Christ's love in a tangible way as they continue in the struggle to have basic needs met.

Bring any items listed below to the donation trailer located in the Centre Mall parking lot **Thurs., Aug 11, through Mon. the 15th, from 9am-5pm (Sundays are 1-5pm)**. Donations will be taken to Norfolk, NE and then transported to OGT ministry partners in Ukraine, Moldova, and Romania for distribution.

Items needed: disposable diapers (sizes 3,4,5); new washcloths and hand towels; bars of soap; toothbrushes; disposable dishes (plates, bowls, cups, silverware); new socks and underwear (children & adult).

The Bridge of Hope/Covenant/Faith CRC Cadet ministry (for boys in 5th-8th grade) is looking at adding 4th grade. To do so we are asking for men who would be willing to help as counselors. We are also looking for men who might not be able to make every meeting but willing to help with various crafts and extra activities on occasion. Interested or have questions? Please contact Jeff De Boer at jeff.deboer@interstates.com or 441-6249.

Connect students (6th-8th) and 9th graders: Kira will be back next Sunday, August 7 and would love to meet with you after the service! Please join her in the commons for some snacks while you chat and catch up.

Also, Connect is still need of volunteers to help lead middle school boys and assist with the high school ministry. Contact Kira at kira@bridgecrc.org.

Our Church Family:

This week the community of believers in Sioux Center is praying for the congregation of United Reformed and Pastor Jon Bushnell.

Visiting? Welcome!

If you would like to learn more about Bridge of Hope, please fill out the information below and place in the offering bag. Thanks!

Name(s) _____

Email _____

I would like:

- More information about Bridge of Hope
- More information concerning Link Groups or Life Groups (2 types of Small Groups)
- More information regarding youth programming
- More information about opportunities to serve and/or become involved
- To receive weekly email communication from the church office
- A call/visit from a church leader
- To become a member
- Other: _____

Our Little Ones

NURSERY

(Birth through 2 years old)

Nursery care is available during the service. It's staffed with volunteers to care for your child. The nursery is located down the north hallway; you'll see a sign indicating its exact location.

PROMISE LAMBS

(3-year-old through TK)

Promise Lambs won't be meeting for the summer months. They'll resume after the Labor Day weekend.