

# Bulletin for Sunday, April 19, 2026

## WORSHIP NOTES

- **Series:** Hebrews
- **Scripture:** Hebrews 12:4-17
- **Offerings:** General Fund and the Sack Pack Program. The Sack Pack Program offers free meals & snacks for kids to take home from school on weekends. The packs contain individually packaged food that is ready to eat or easily prepared in the microwave. It's supported by *Hunger Free Kids of Sioux County* and local communities. Sack Pack Sioux Center is headquartered in the H.O.M.E. building and volunteers/groups currently pack sacks for 270 kids every week.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### OUR CHILDREN:

- A **NURSERY** is provided for children from birth through 2 years old. **Nursery is held in the school's music room. It's to your left and down the hallway when exiting the gym. Look for the banner!**
- **PROMISE LAMBS** is for children 3 through TK. They are dismissed part-way through the service and can meet their teachers by the gym door.
- **SUNDAY SCHOOL** for TK/K through high school immediately following the worship service.

**CONGREGATION: UNITE BAKE SALE TODAY!** Come purchase a **single-serving baked good** to have after church along with your coffee. Proceeds will benefit the El Salvador Trip! Cash or checks will be accepted.

## **CONNECT & UNITE** *(Youth Group for 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade {CONNECT} and 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade {UNITE})*

- April 22: UNITE Lesson
- April 26: CONNECT Lesson
- May 10: CONNECT - LAST Lesson & 8th Sendoff
- May 13: UNITE - LAST lesson
- May 17: CONNECT/UNITE Youth Service & Potluck

## **Join us for one last Spring Mixer Meal!**

The Adult Discipleship Team has been sponsoring Sunday noon potlucks for the church body this spring. The meals are taking place in different people's homes. We have one opportunity left for you to sign up for—**Sunday, April 26**. EVERYONE at Bridge is welcome--members & visitors, young & old, adults & children! Sign up to host or to be hosted. More details are on the online form.

**SIGN UP TODAY in the LUNCHROOM, or by going to:** <https://forms.gle/WVMoXQH3BNZ2MFBP9>

*The deadline to sign up is the **TUESDAY** prior to that coming Sunday.*

**Cadets** end of the year picnic and auction is this Wednesday, April 22 at Faith CRC; families are invited. The meal will begin at 6:15pm and the auction will start at 7pm. Current 3<sup>rd</sup> grade boys and their parents are also invited to attend.

## The Shepherd Nomination Process Continues

All those who have been nominated and approved by Council are being/have been notified of their nomination. The next step in the process is an information session for the nominees which will be held after the morning worship service next Sunday, April 26.


- Those who accept the nomination will be sent a link to an online form and asked to fill it out. The information on that form will help the congregation get to know our shepherd nominees better. The names of the nominees, along with a link for the congregation to see the nominee's answers will be published in the bulletin on Sundays, May 10 & 17, as well as subsequent weekly emails.
- Following the worship service on the 17<sup>th</sup>, the congregation will meet to affirm those who have been nominated.
- On Sunday, June 7, the casting of lots will be held during the worship service.
- Installation of new Shepherds and the Council Orientation Retreat will be held on Sunday, June 28.

## First Friday Diners

All adults are invited on **Friday, May 1**, to Sfumato Pizzeria in Carnes. This restaurant in "rural Orange City" offers delicious wood-fired pizza and a cozy atmosphere! Plan to meet at the Ministry Center at 5:30 pm to carpool, otherwise meet us at the restaurant at 6:00. **Please send a "Coming!" text** to either Miriam Buss or Cindy Groeneweg **by Wednesday, April 29**. Check The Weekly email for contact information. (Note: May & June's First Friday Diner destination was switched from what was originally planned.)

## ADVANCE NOTICE: His Hands His Feet Sunday Service!!!

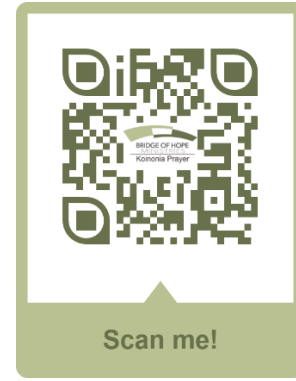
Coming up on **Sunday, May 3**, our "service" will be our "service." It will be a time when our church body will communally serve our community by going out to do service projects during our normal worship time. Following the service projects, we'll gather for a meal provided by Council. Childcare will be provided. This is sponsored by the His Hands His Feet Team. More details to come!



Would you like an announcement made on a Sunday morning before or during the worship service? If so, please fill out the Sunday morning announcement form. Please submit the form by the Thursday before the Sunday you would like the announcement made, preferably earlier if possible. The form can be found [here](#). If at the last minute there's an unexpected announcement that needs to be made, please contact [becky@bridgecrc.org](mailto:becky@bridgecrc.org), [gail@bridgecrc.org](mailto:gail@bridgecrc.org), or [sam@bridgecrc.org](mailto:sam@bridgecrc.org).

**Additional announcements** can be found in the Community Activities Sheet, a weekly publication of activities/events pertaining to churches in our community. It originated because of the repetitive nature of common announcements. A link to it can be found on our website under What's Happening/Bulletin.

**Koinonia Prayer Requests:** Prayer requests on Sunday mornings at Bridge of Hope have historically been taken verbally during worship. To help make sharing requests more accessible to all, a google form has been created so that people can share requests at a different time and method than verbally on Sunday morning. Prayer requests submitted this way will be included in the email that gets sent to the body each week on either Monday or Tuesday. *(Please note: Any prayer request submitted after the Koinonia Prayer email has been sent that week, or after Tuesday, will wait to be emailed out until the following week. Also, requests made here will not be verbalized on Sunday mornings by the Pastoral Shepherd leading Koinonia Prayer.)* Follow the QR Code to submit an online prayer request.



## OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Bridge of Hope,

We're incredibly grateful for your donation of food and hygiene items to our Sioux County Food Pantry. About 160 pounds of food and 44 pounds of hygiene items were collected! This support helps us to continue providing food and basic items to those that need it the most. Thank you!

On behalf of Mid-Sioux, Amy De Groot, Outreach Coordinator

This week, the community of believers in Sioux Center is praying for the congregation of Iglesia Christiana Pentecostes Jesucristo El Buen Pastor, Pastors Rodrigo and Karina Gonzalez.

## CONGREGATIONAL ASSIGNMENTS

<p><b>Today, April 19</b>  <b>Nursery:</b> Jill VS, Brielle P, Sawyer O  <b>Promise Lambs:</b> Kayla K, Joel VP, Jayce VM  <b>Coffee Service Setup</b> (before church): Lance W  <b>Coffee Service Cleanup</b> (after church): Bowar  <b>Shepherd Duties:</b> Daren D  <b>Outside door greeter:</b> Zach P  <b>Additional Mic Runner:</b>  <b>Check-ins:</b> Jill VS, Ruth R, Carla VDZ</p>	<p><b>Next Sunday, April 26</b>  <b>Nursery:</b> Jordyn P, Cora F, Carson D  <b>Promise Lambs:</b> Justine B, Lucas &amp; Asher F  <b>Coffee Service Setup</b> (before church): Ruth R  <b>Coffee Service Cleanup</b> (after church): Heie  <b>Shepherd Duties:</b> Tim F, Reggie H  <del><b>Outside door greeter:</b></del>  <b>Additional Mic Runner:</b> Rich V  <b>Check-ins:</b> Ruth R, Jena D, Lindsey VP</p>
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## BRIDGE CONNECTION GROUPS

The body is divided alphabetically (by last names) into groups with an assigned Pastoral & Service Shepherd to offer care and support. Feel free to contact your Shepherd should a need arise. The groups are as follows:

	Pastoral Shepherd	Service Shepherd
<b>A-B</b>	Robb De Haan	Reggie Hostetler
<b>C-G</b>	Christina Postma	Brandon Huisman
<b>H-M</b>	Daren Dieleman	Klay Byker
<b>N-T</b>	Tim Foreman	Marcus Van Zee
<b>U-Z</b>	Ellen Korver	Tom Coulander

## STAFF & LEADERSHIP CONTACT INFORMATION

Pastor of Preaching & Community Engagement	Sam Ashmore	
Pastor of Preaching & Discipleship	Gail Ashmore	
Administrative Assistant	Ruth Ruter	
Congregational Caregiver	Aimee VanMiddendorp	
Congregational Caregiver	Mark Borger	
Worship Coordinator	Becky Ringsby	
Sunday School Director	Sarah Stoub	
Youth Director	Kira Ouwinga	
Treasurer	Cindy Groeneweg	
Council	Robb De Haan, Chair	
Pastoral Shepherds	Daren Dieleman, Chair	
Service Shepherds	Klay Byker, Chair	

## GENERAL INFORMATION

Sunday Worship • 9:30am • Intermediate School Gym • 950 4th Ave NE

Offices/Ministry Center address • 43 2nd Street NE (Offices located 1 block south & ½ block east of the downtown stoplight)

Office Hours • Tuesday and Thursday 9-12 & 1-4

Website • [www.bridgecrc.org](http://www.bridgecrc.org) Like us at [www.facebook.com/BOHMinistry](https://www.facebook.com/BOHMinistry)

## GIVING BACK / WAYS TO TITHE

- ❖ **Online:** go to Bridge’s website ([www.bridgecrc.org](http://www.bridgecrc.org)) and hit the “give” button on the home page; or go to <https://bridgecrc.churchcenter.com/giving>
- ❖ **Giving App:** Instructions on how to use the online giving app: <https://pcogiving.zendesk.com/hc/en-us/articles/217380608-Give-Online-with-Church-Center>
- ❖ **Text-to-give:** First time users: Text 84321. Click on the link sent back to you, select Bridge of Hope, add an email address, and enter your payment information. Or follow these instructions: <https://pcogiving.zendesk.com/hc/en-us/articles/217380608-Give-Online-with-Church-Center>. After the initial set up, just text 84321, enter in the amount you would like to give and hit send. (Only the dollar amount is needed if it is to the General Fund. If it’s to the second offering indicate dollar amount and “second” {i.e., \$10 second}; if it’s to the Building Fund indicate amount and “building” {i.e., \$10 building}.)
- ❖ **Drop off at or mail to:** Bridge of Hope; 43 2<sup>nd</sup> Street NE; Sioux Center



**NOTE: At the Intermediate School, a First Aid kit can be found on the small table near the entrance to the building. An AED (Automated External Defibrillator) can be found on the wall by the same entrance.**