

Dispatch Christian Reformed Church
September 6, 2026

Welcome to the Dispatch Christian Reformed Church with Pastor Will Brouwers leading our worship. We extend a special welcome to those who are visiting and invite you to join us downstairs after the service for a time of fellowship. Visitors are asked to please sign a guest book in an entryway.

GREETERS: west – Matt Tanis; east – Bob & Lynn Koops

September 13: west – Rotmans, east – Schurr Family

USHERS: Dave Draayer and Ethan Schlatter

NURSERY: Don & Jan Koops Sept. 13 – Kareena & Kacee

PIANIST: Sherri Eakin

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: Carol Cordel Sept. 20 – George E.

SPECIAL OFFERING: September 13 – Christian Care Fund

OFFERING TOTAL: August 30 – General Fund \$332

HOSPITALITY COFFEE: Rotmans Sept. 13 – Adrienne A.

LETTER WRITING: Hoogeveen – Emma M., Wah – Marion S.

CARE GROUP A: September – December

The Lord's Day

Care Group A will host a time of fellowship and cookies after this morning's service. Please join us.

Care Group A members are asked to meet briefly in the Fellowship Hall following this morning's service.

ATTENTION: Photos for the church directory began today. If you have not signed up yet, please do so today to help the scheduling process. All attendees of worship are encouraged to sign up. The cost for the photo session is underwritten by the church, however extra photo packages can be purchased.

Small Groups will meet today. New members are always welcome. Meeting times and locations are:

Smith Center – 3:15 p.m. at SunPorch (Don Koops 785-346-4033)

Dispatch – NO MEETING TODAY (Stacy DeBey)

Lebanon – 5:30 p.m. (Melanie Schlatter 785-620-7066)

The Lord's Week

Monday: 9:00 a.m. – Agape Shop Cleanup

Tuesday: 7:00 p.m. – Council Meeting

Thursday: 6:30 a.m. – Promise Keepers - at Roundhouse Coffee

6:00 p.m. – Downs Small Group at Rose Nyhoff's
(Mike Nyhoff 785-545-5285)

Friday: Agape Shop – Stephanie Draayer

Saturday: 9:00 a.m. – Ladies' Brunch – Fellowship Hall

Next Sunday: Church School Kickoff & Potluck

The Church Family

The Church School kickoff will be held after the worship service on Sunday, September 13. A potluck will be held for everyone with a special activity for the youth. Care Group A will be assisting with the potluck. Classes will begin on September 20.

The Education Committee is seeking a church school teacher for the lower elementary students in grades 1 - 3. Please contact Marion, Dennis, or Mary if interested.

Another church school year is upon us. If you participate in any of the church ministries, please complete the Safe Church questionnaire, if you have not done it previously. If you have questions, please contact Elder John Tanis.

Our newly-established prayer shawl ministry wishes to serve people who are in need of prayer by offering them a shawl. Those who make the shawls will pray for the unknown recipients while the shawls are being made. If you are gifted with the talent of crocheting or knitting and would like to know more information about how to be involved in the prayer shawl ministry, please see Kat Brouwers or Emma Meyer. Funds from the Mission Committee budget were used to purchase the materials which are ready for use.

All ladies are invited to a ladies' brunch hosted by Ora et Labora to be held at 9:00 a.m., Saturday, September 12, in the fellowship hall. Kat Brouwers will present the program on sourdough techniques. Please plan to attend!

Our special offering next Sunday is for the Christian Care Fund. The Christian Care Fund Committee is an amazing resource for our area. The committee is made up of people from the Downs area churches. The committee's purpose is to help provide immediate, temporary help for people in the Downs city limits and children attending USD #272. Most often help is given for utilities, Christmas items for children, and school supplies, if needed. There is an application form available at the Downs Carnegie Library and the Downs City Office. The Christian Care Fund is generously funded through area churches, businesses, and organizations from Downs, Cawker City, and Glen Elder. They strive to coordinate with the Ministerial Alliance and the Agape Shop to meet the needs of area people.

The American Red Cross blood drive will be held next Tuesday, September 8, at The Veteran's Building, 123 West Main in Osborne from 9 A.M. to 3 P.M. Donors are critically needed who are in generally good health, weigh a minimum of 110 lbs., and are 17 years of age or older. Please consider giving a little more than an hour of your day by donating to help others in need of life saving blood supplies. Those who are 16 years old can also donate with a signed parental consent form that can be obtained by going to the website: www.bloodgiveslife.org

With the Red Cross issuing a nationwide emergency for only the second time in its history, you are encouraged to make an appointment to donate by contacting Don Koops at 785-346-4033 or registering online with the Red Cross at redcrossblood.org or calling 1-800-RED-CROSS. Walk-ins the day of the visit are also welcome, however appointments will receive priority. Hamburgers and root beer floats will be served.

The schedules for nursery workers, those who are asked to write to missionaries whom we support, and those working at the Agape Shop are now going to be on the back of the monthly church calendar. The calendar is normally distributed on the last Sunday of the month. There should be extras in the rack beside the AV room. Bulletins from the past two weeks should also be available there. You may also go to dispatcherccr.org to find the bulletins and calendar online.

Prayer requests from Zuni Christian Mission School:

Pray for the families still affected by this summer's flood as relief efforts in the area continue.

Pray that God will cause his light to shine in the spiritual darkness around, exposing lies and danger.

In Christ,

Tim Becksvoort, Principal, Zuni Christian Mission School

Thrive Faith Formation Tip - Fall can be an overwhelming and anxious time for students of all ages. How might you encourage the students in your family or your church this week? You might bake cookies, share a favorite book, or send a card. Pray for them as they discover the gifts God has given them and explore how God might be calling them to use those gifts. Brought to you by Thrive: crcna.org/Thrive

ReFrame Ministries

Kids Corner Devotions: Check out this week's kids' devotion, "A Safe Place" at www.kidscorner.net In Matthew 25:31-40, Jesus taught us that part of following him is helping others feel safe and comforted. Small acts of kindness may seem ordinary, but they can show God's extraordinary love. Check out the new Kids Corner Devotions app at <https://kidscorner.net/app>

Groundwork: Faith that Endures – We have heard the call in Hebrews to stay close to Jesus. How do we cultivate a lasting faith? Join Groundwork as we study Hebrews 10:19-12:3 to learn why community and the testimony of fellow believers are essential to remaining faithful and cultivating a faith that endures through the difficult seasons in life. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

CRC Planned Giving - Savvy Ways to Give to Your Church - Generous Christians like you are giving to CRC Ministries in savvy ways that have tremendous impact AND reduce their taxes! If you own stock, real estate, or other non-cash assets, you, too, can get in on the tax-saving action! When you give non-cash assets to the CRCNA, you will receive a fair market value deduction at the time of your gift. You will also avoid capital gains on the sale of appreciated assets. Learn more at crcna.org/heritagefund or call Josh Remer, CRCNA Planned Giving Advisor at 616-223-5885.

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(*Please stand, as you are able.)

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship - Romans 11:33-36

*God's Greeting – 2 Corinthians 13:14

*Mutual Greeting

*Songs - “Guide Me, O My Great Redeemer”

Lift Up Your Hearts #43

“To God Be the Glory”

Lift Up Your Hearts #604

Prayer of Confession – Psalm 51:1-6

Assurance of Pardon – Isaiah 53:4-6

Response to God’s Love - 2 Timothy 3:14-15

*Song of Response - “Keep What You Have Believed”

Lift Up Your Hearts #769

Offering: General Fund

Congregational Prayer

*Song of Preparation – “Speak, O Lord”

Lift Up Your Hearts #755

Children’s Message - Carol Cordel

Scripture - Proverbs 12:1-3, 15

Sermon - “Sola Scriptura”

Prayer of Application

*Song of Response – “Lord, We Hear Your Word with Gladness”

Lift Up Your Hearts #766

*Benediction – Numbers 6:24-26

*Closing Song – “I Love You, Lord” ACAPELLA

Sing! a New Creation #16

*Postlude