

Capital Campaign Update

What a joy it is to share that the capital campaign is **fully funded!**

Thank you for your generous, prayerful giving. We're genuinely grateful – not just for the dollars given, but for what they represent: a congregation that cares about the spaces where we gather, grow, and welcome others. Every gift, large or small, was an act of love for this church family. We'll keep you updated as the project moves forward



August 9, 2026

Series: Bad Examples from the Bible

Sermon: The Ready and the Presumptuous

Scripture: Matthew 25:1-13

Offering: Crossroads Pregnancy Center

Welcome Center: Hannah Bos

Greeting: Jack & Gayle Zonneveld

Lions: Rachel Schroeder, Colin Mackey

Lambs: Moira Mackey, Macy Holden

Nursery: Cheryl Zonneveld, Anneke Clark
Andrew Zonneveld, Casey Goebel

Snacks: Piet & Heather Zonneveld
Matt & Kelly Verdegaal
Murray & Connie Minnema

A memorial service for Hillary Groenenberg
at the Visalia First CRC on Tuesday, August 4, at 11:00 AM
with a lunch to follow.

Prayer Needs

Church Family

Abbi Lewis & Family - Please pray for the Lewis family as Abbi has lost her mother unexpectedly. Pray especially for Abbi's father, Rick Kieffer, as he mourns the loss of his wife of 19 years and has to navigate life without her.

Jennifer Koelwyn - Jennifer is back home and recovering after her procedure. She is feeling great, praise the Lord! Let's continue to pray for her rapid recovery.

Kristen Reenders - Please remember to pray for Kristen, Allison, Daphne, and Daisy as they mourn Corey's passing, and for a rapid recovery for Kristen's broken leg.

Grace Schraa - Grace had surgery to repair a fractured hip joint on Thursday. She will be transferred to a rehab facility close to home as soon as she is stable.

Victoria Tos - Victoria is back home convalescing. She appreciates the congregation's care and concern. Continue to pray for complete healing.

Extended Church Family

Michael Cuellar - Awaiting tests to determine treatment.

Chuck Dyer - Aggressive recurrence of cancer and is in pain. Pray that God would be with him, his family and doctors.

Chic Hanson - (Pastor Andy's Father) Chic will be receiving cancer treatments.. Please pray for strength and endurance.

Elijah & Elizabeth Hofmans - Genetic eye disease.

Betty Johnson - Pray for healing from cancer.

Rick Stryd - His cancer is still progressing, and he has a blood clot in his lungs being treated. He is very weak and tired.

Elizabeth Young - Stage 4 pancreatic cancer, on chemo.

Shut-Ins

Martha Chandler, Rose DeRuiter, Ginger Hernandez, Harriet Johnson, Sondra Koelwyn, Vera Krumpke, Linda Reenders, Jeanette Stout.



FIRST
CHRISTIAN
REFORMED
CHURCH
THE GOSPEL IN COMMUNITY

August 2, 2026 9:30 am

Series: Bad Examples from the Bible

Sermon: The Ring of Power

Scripture: Matthew 26:47-56

Offering: Benevolence

Welcome Center: Julie Dragt

Greeting: Jonathan & Michelle Lawrence
& Family

Lions: Hannah Bos, Moira Mackey

Lambs: Brigit de Jong, Gayle Zonneveld

Nursery: Rachel Schroeder, Elena Godfrey
Cameryn Verdegaal

Snacks: Tony & Kelly Bekedam
Nathan & Brigit de Jong
Scott & Diana Schmidt

Check your church mailbox for details on
First CRC's Council nominees.
Voting will occur on August 9 after worship.
Also, our annual meeting is scheduled for
Monday, August 17 at 7 PM.

Nursery is available for infants and toddlers. Children aged 3 through 2nd Grade are invited to Children's Worship. Kids are called forward during service and then dismissed to their classrooms. Pick-up is upstairs following the service.

We are pleased to livestream worship services and events. By entering the 1st CRC Sanctuary, you are entering an area where photography, audio, and/or video recording may occur.

Our Mission

To glorify God by making
"More and Better Disciples"

Our Vision

We see everyone intentionally building caring
relationships with one another, and with
the unchurched and unbelieving, for
the sake of the Kingdom of God

We believe that the Bible is the infallible and
authoritative word of God. (2 Tim. 3:16)

We believe God created the world; the world
fell into sin; God redeemed and is redeeming
the world. We believe that Jesus Christ saves
us from the consequences of sin and that the
world will be complete when He comes again.

We believe God is a God of Grace. His grace,
not human decision is the decisive factor in
our salvation. Believers do not choose God as
much as God chooses believers. (Titus 3:4-7)

We believe that covenant is the richest
biblical concept to describe God's relationship
with His people. In covenant God binds
himself to His people in promise and
commitment. Covenant relationship is why
God sent Jesus, because of a commitment to
save His people. (Jer. 31:31-34)

We believe in God's sovereignty. God is the
main actor in creation. He is ultimately in
control. So despite a world we humans have
broken with sin, ultimately God's plans will
triumph and all will be made new. (Jer. 29:12
& Rom. 8:28)

New or Visiting? Let's Connect!!
Complete the connection card in the pew
and drop in the offering bag, visit us here:
hanfordcrc.org or QR code.





GOD CALLS
WE GATHER

ORDER OF WORSHIP
AUGUST 2, 2026

God's Greeting & Call to Worship

O Praise The Name (Anástasis)

Mutual Greeting

Prayer of Confession & Assurance of Pardon

God's Guide for Grateful Living

Alive & Breathing

GOD SPEAKS
WE LISTEN

Children's Moment

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Scripture: Matthew 26:47-56 (Pg. 1058)

Pastor Andy Hanson

GOD PROVIDES
WE GIVE THANKS

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded (PsH 383)

And Can It Be (PsH 267)

Prayers of the People

Offering - Blue: General Fund/Red: Benevolence

Give Thanks

GOD SENDS
WE OBEY
AND SERVE

Sending

Goodness Of God

God's Blessing

Doxology: *O Praise The Name (Anástasis, Reprise)*

SERMON GUIDE
THE RING OF POWER
Matthew 26:47-56

1. In Peter's zealotry to defend Jesus, he _____ the very reason Jesus came to earth - to glorify God and build his kingdom by _____ and _____ the lost.

2. We can use the ring of power to _____ our enemies - all the while handing them the _____, because we are not trusting God and His Word to accomplish His ends.

3. God's plan wasn't to slice off the ears of our _____, but to share the good news with them so they may cease being our enemies, and start being our _____ and _____ in Christ.

FAMILY AND FRIENDS CONFAB

1. Who is your least favorite group of unbelievers (Muslims, atheists, etc.)? How are you sharing the gospel with them?
2. How does power tempt you? What do you do to avoid misusing the power God's entrusted to you?