

FIRST REFORMED CHURCH

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

November 8 A.D. 2020

9:30 A.M.

Pastor: David Landegent

Organist: Carol Kleinjan

Keyboard: Michelle Vander Wal

You are encouraged to maintain a 6-foot distance from one another when entering, exiting AND choosing a place to sit.

If you feel more comfortable sitting in the fellowship hall, you are welcome to do so.

EXTRA SAFETY ZONE: Masks are required in the first five pews on the south side (organ side).

In general, masks are STRONGLY encouraged, but not required in other areas of the building.

CALL TO WORSHIP

OUR APPROACH TO GOD

HYMN: 379 – *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy*

* HYMN: 371– *Reach Out to Jesus*

PRAYER

RESPONSIVE READING OF THE LAW: 659

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

PRAISE MINISTRY: *The Door of Heaven* (Out of the Grey)

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

* HYMN: 387 – *Just as I Am*

SCRIPTURE: Romans 15:5-13 p.1767

SERMON: *You're Welcome*

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

* HYMN: 535 – *Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak*

* BENEDICTION

* CLOSING SONG: *Gloria Patri*

POSTLUDE

TODAY

WELCOME to worship! Because of the COVID-19 virus, we strongly encourage, but do not require, that people wear masks.

- To reduce the spread of the virus, there is NO Sunday School or fellowship time until at least through the November 15 service.
- Also, you may use the nursery during the worship service, but there will not be any attendants there.
- The Jackets for Jesus boxes are now in the fellowship hall and coat area along the south hallway.
- Operation Christian Child shoeboxes are available in the fellowship hall. We will collect them on November 15 (a week later than we previously announced).

Second Sunday offerings are designated for the General Fund and Volga Christian School. The offering plates are at the back of the sanctuary.

**THIS WEEK'S OPPORTUNITIES
FOR CHRISTIAN GROWTH**

WEDNESDAY: 7 p.m. – Middle school youth group

THURSDAY: NO ladies Bible study this month

FRIDAY-SATURDAY: Dakota Classis will meet at Inspiration Hills. Pastor Dave and Kelly Vander Wal will represent FRC.

NEXT SUNDAY: We will recognize various people for their service to the Lord and His church: Bruce Lucas for his years being our youth leader, VernaMae Van Maanen for her years on the Library Committee, and our accompanists (Jan Clapp, Carol Kleinjan, Karen Knutson, Dori Ohm, Joyce Post and Michelle Vander Wal).

- We will also collect our Operation Christmas Child boxes

- Ministry of music will be by Stephanie and Jenna Korver (the wife and daughter respectively of Ruth Landegent's brother Kyle)
- Pastor Dave will preach about freely receiving and giving at Thanksgiving time.

FUTURE DATES

November 18..... Consistory meeting
 November 23..... Bell Ringing for Salvation Army
 November 25..... Thanksgiving Eve service (but NO pie
 fellowship this year)
 Offering for the Food Pantry in Brookings

PERSONALS

PRAYER CONCERNS:

Bernita Kooima has returned home from the hospital.
SherryAnne Langland has been in the Brookings Hospital.

Please pray for our homebound member **Howard Rozendal**.

SYMPATHY: We express our sympathy to Dar Ludwig and family (Kevin and Angie Warne, Caleb and Emily Schaefer, Darin and Megan Sinner, Jim and Jen Greene) on the death of their husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather, Lenny Ludwig. Brian Callesen is a close family friend. Lenny passed away on Thursday, November 5. May you know the comfort of Christ.

THANK YOU to everyone for your thoughts prayers and cards for Mom. She is doing better but still tires quickly. – Allen Van Hoepen

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CENTER OF HOPE WARM CLOTHING DRIVE: Collection boxes are set out for warm winter clothing for Center of Hope in Sioux Falls. Boxes are located in the fellowship hall and the coat area in the south hallway. You may bring any kind of used or new winter coats, snow boots, gloves, mittens, coveralls, snow pants for kids. The items will be brought to the Center of Hope after Thanksgiving.
PLEASE – MAKE SURE THE ITEMS ARE CLEAN AND MENDED.

OUTSTANDING BILLS: Please present any outstanding task force bills you may have incurred this past year to Scott Vander Wal by November 22. The church fiscal year ends on November 30. Thank you!

BELL RINGING: Our turn for ringing the Salvation Army bell is coming up on November 2. We have 8 individual or teams signed up for the 12 time periods already, but we are looking for people to be at Walmart from 4-5, 6-7 and 7-8. If you would like to help, please sign up in the fellowship hall today. If you would like to help, please sign up in the fellowship hall today.

QUILTERS: It is time to bring in your Project Linus quilts, whether sewn or crocheted. Please bring them to the southeast corner room (south hallway) by the end of November.

If you are interested in seeing some of the Project Linus quilts, some are on display in the southeast room. They will be taken to Sioux Falls in December.

JUS+ For You! MEALS are available again in the refrigerator freezers in the church kitchen. If you know of someone in need of freezer meals, please take some or you may contact Betty Beukelman or Shirley Van Duyn.

CENTER OF HOPE invites you to join them online for their Fall Benefit, Saturday November 14 at 7 p.m. Highlights will include how God has been at work this year as well as celebrating 20 years of ministry. To join for the evening, visit their website www.centerofhopesf.org and click Fall Benefit Registration and follow instructions.

ON DUTY FOR THE LORD NEXT SUNDAY, November 8:

Greeters – Any volunteers?
 Coffee Servers – Not needed for this week
 Nursery - no assigned volunteers, although parents can still use the room
 Library - Susan

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