

## **GLORIFY, GROW AND GO!**

FIRST REFORMED CHURCH, SIBLEY, IOWA

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2017

**TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: Exodus 25:10-22 Pg. 126**

**TODAY'S MESSAGE:**

*“TABERNACLE PRAYER — ARK OF THE COVENANT”*

**Welcome Guests!** We are delighted and honored that you are worshipping with us today. We strive to be a warm, welcoming place for you to glorify God. We encourage you to please fill out an information card and place it in the offering plate as it is being passed. To find out more about First Reformed Church, stop at the Information Center in the Narthex, or visit our website: [www.sibleyfrch.org](http://www.sibleyfrch.org).

### ***Glorify! God With Worship***

**9 am - Cornerstone Service**

*Children and Worship (3 yrs.—Kindergarten)*

**10:10-10:50 am**

### **Coffee Fellowship & Sunday School**

- Coffee Fellowship in the Fellowship Hall
- Sunday School for ages 3 yrs.—Adult
- Sunday School Guide Class will meet in the Library
- Men's Bible Study: “A Study on the Disciples” meets-west end of the F.H.
- Prayer Time with the Elders in Pastor's Office

### **Open Door Service-11 am**

**Join us for a time of praise and worship by use of music, prayer, scripture and a Bible Talk.**

*Children and Worship (3 yrs.—Kindergarten)*

**Offerings: Nov. 12, 2017:** General Fund—\$4,190; Benevolent Fund—\$435; Building Fund—\$35; Talking Bibles—\$125; MS Remnant—\$20. **Special offering for November** is Talking Bibles.

**Between now and the end of the year** we will need to collect in offerings around \$60,000 to meet our budget obligations. Please prayerfully consider this when you are planning your weekly donations. On behalf of the Deacons, thank you for your generous giving thus far this year.

## ***Grow! In His Word***

**Sunday, November 19:** This morning, Pastor Luke will conclude his sermon series with “*Tabernacle Prayer — Ark of the Covenant*”

- **Operation Christmas Child Boxes due TODAY**
- **8:20 am:** Senior Choir will practice this morning.
- **10:10 am:** Sunday School and Coffee Fellowship
- **10:10 am:** Christmas Program practice for Grades 4 & 5 in Sanctuary

### **Monday**

- **9:00 am:** Faith Bible Study meets
- **4:00 pm:** Patience Bible Study meets. Leader: Janelle Van Drunen; Hostess: Jan Harskamp.
- **6:00 pm:** Elders will meet
- **6:15 pm:** Deacons will meet
- **7:00 pm:** Full Consistory Meeting
- **7:00 pm:** Monday Evening Ladies Bible Study will meet

### **Tuesday**

- **8:30 am:** Chickadee Quilters

### **Wednesday**

- **No Mothers Together** this week. Have a great Thanksgiving!
- **2:00 pm:** FRC is in charge of Nursing Home Services
- **6:30 pm: Thanksgiving Eve Services.** Tonight's offering is designated for the Benevolent Fund.  
**Greeters:** W: Brian and Megan Loerts/family; M— Ken and Wilma Loerts; E-Ed and Leona Meendering.  
**After Church Greeters:** SE: Curt Van Kley, C: Josh Lucas  
SW: Pastor Luke, BE: Harvey Van Ruler, BW: Larry Verdoorn.  
**Nursery:** Amy Van Marel and Mary Hustoft

- **No Bible Classes or Youth Groups**

**Thursday-Friday:** The church offices will be closed. Happy Thanksgiving!!

### **Saturday**

- **1:00pm:** Church Christmas Decorating Party!! All are invited to help out. Please see announcement in this week's bulletin.

**Sunday, November 26:** This morning, Pastor Luke will begin his exciting new sermon series, “First Christmas Stories From the Birth Of Christ — Making the List”. Graham Hennig will be providing the special music this morning at the first service.

- **8:20 am:** Senior Choir will practice this morning.
- Today, we will have Communion Preparatory
- **10:10 am:** Sunday School and Coffee Fellowship
- **10:10 am:** Christmas Program practice for Grades 4 and 5 in Sanctuary

## ***Go! And Serve Him***

**Opportunities to Serve our Church and Community**

**Faith in action for November is Operation Christmas Child. Shoe-box gifts for Operation Christmas Child are due at church today.**

Our total for boxes donated as of 11/2/17 was 63 boxes!

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**IT'S THE MOST WONDERFUL TIME OF THE YEAR!!!** Please help make the church ready for this time of year. We would like men, women, youth to help with the Christmas decorating, on **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25 starting at 1:00 pm.** The more we have the shorter time it will take to make our church ready for this wonderful time of the year.

**Christmas Program Practice Reminder!!** Students are preparing for the Christmas Program. Parents please, please, please have your students here for Sunday School and Wednesday Night to help this process go smoothly. **Grades 4 and 5** will be practicing their skit on **Wednesday night November 29** and on **Sunday morning, November 19 and 26th.** **ALL STUDENTS 3 yr. olds— 5th Grade** will be practicing on **Sunday morning, December 3 and Wednesday night, December 6th.**

**Join us as we volunteer** at the processing center in Minneapolis for Operation Christmas Child on Friday Dec. 1 from 1 – 5. Help prepare the MANY, MANY shoeboxes to be shipped to their destination. We plan to meet at church at 7:30 to arrange car pools for the trip to Minneapolis and we plan to return home following our time at the processing center. A sign up sheet is on the information center. Contact Annette Janssen for more details 754-4174.

**Elected to the office of Elder were:** Bill Hartzell and Dick Oldenkamp.  
**Elected to the office of Deacon were:** Justin Van Tilburg and Greg Tracy. Thank you to everyone for allowing your names to be placed on the slate.

**Secret Sister Reveal!!** We will be revealing our Secret Sisters in the Fireside Room, Friday, December 1st at 7:00 pm. New forms are in your mailboxes and at the information center. Ladies, high school to 100 if you would like to participate please return the form by December 3rd.

**Sharing Christmas Families.** Our Church has adopted 4 larger families for the Sharing Christmas Program sponsored by Upper Des Moines. We are asking FRC members to help make Christmas special for a family that is less fortunate. All you need to do is check out the list of “needs” the families have submitted on the north wall of the Fellowship Hall. If there is something on the list that you can furnish for a needy family, place a check mark on the line next to it (that way we do not buy duplicates). Bring your WRAPPED purchases to church and place it in the box designated for that family. ***ALL items must to be in church by December 10th.*** Thank you in advance for your help. Let's help make a special Christmas for others!

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**Right Now Media...** If you would like to be signed up to take advantage of Right Now Media, please stop at the Information Center to fill out the Sign-up slip (only your email is needed) and place the slip in the box. Thanks!

**Free Thanksgiving Day Dinner at Sibley First Presbyterian Church.** All are invited to attend the Church/Community Thanksgiving Day Dinner on Thursday, November 23, at 12 noon, in the Sibley First Presbyterian Church fellowship hall. Please don't sit home alone on this special holiday of giving thanks. Come and enjoy a delicious turkey dinner with all the trimmings. There is no charge or freewill offering.

**A Christmas Gift & Bake Sale** hosted by Team Trinity will be held Saturday, December 2, from 8am-1pm at Trinity Lutheran Church. There will be decorative gifts, homemade crafts such as bowl huggers, baked potato bags, hot pads and LOTS of goodies to choose from. Please come and help Team Trinity raise money for the American Cancer Society.

**2017 Holiday Tour of Homes!!** Please join us on December 2nd from 10:00 --- 1:00 for the annual Tour of Homes. This year's Homes to be Featured are: Gary and Kris Vipond, Dave and Ilea Herbert, Harold and Mim Ernst and Jim Borden & Pastor Barb Kopperud. Tickets are \$10.00 and can be purchased at the homes the day of the tour or the Porch on Main, S-O school and United Community Bank in Ocheyedan.

## Advance Notices:

**November 24: Newsletter Items need to be in to the Office**

**December 1: 7:00pm: Secret Sister Reveal**

**December 2: OCC trip to Processing Center in Minneapolis, MN**

**December 3: We will be celebrating the sacrament of Holy Communion**

**December 6: 9:00am: Coffee with the Pastor**

**December 10: 11:00am: 3yrs—5th gr. Sunday School Christmas Program**

**December 13: 9:00am: Mothers Together**

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***All bulletin announcements are due in the church office on Wednesdays by noon. Bulletins are printed on Thursday morning.***	

## There is JOY in Serving Jesus!

	<b>This Week: November 12</b>	<b>Next Week: November 26</b>
<b>Cornerstone Greeters:</b>	<b>W:</b> Mark & Melissa Lang-straat/family <b>M:</b> Gary & Wilma Leusink <b>E:</b> Brad & Sarah Loerts/family	<b>W:</b> John & Kim Mc Dougall/family <b>M:</b> Dave & Jessica McDyer/family <b>E:</b> Keith & Brenda Michelson
<b>After Church Greeters:</b>	<b>SE:</b> Duane Vande Hoef <b>C:</b> Pastor Luke <b>SW:</b> Josh Lucas <b>BE:</b> Paul Vander Linden <b>BW:</b> John Van Diepen	<b>SE:</b> Josh Lucas <b>C:</b> Pastor Luke <b>SW:</b> Lawrence Wiersma <b>BE:</b> John Bartels <b>BW:</b> Marcus De Boer
<b>Prayer with the Elders:</b>	<b>Cornerstone:</b> Lawrence Wiersma <b>Open Door:</b> Duane Vande Hoef	<b>Cornerstone:</b> Marcus De Boer <b>Open Door:</b> Stan Gaalswyk
<b>Children and Worship:</b>	<b>9:00 am Leader:</b> Deb K <b>Helper:</b> Family of Peirce Julius <b>11:00 am Leader:</b> Deb K. <b>Helper:</b> Family of Jude Anderson	<b>9:00 am Leader:</b> Deb K <b>Helper:</b> Family of Lincoln & Addison McDyer <b>11:00 am Leader:</b> Deb K. <b>Helper:</b> Family of Paisley Kreykes
<b>Nursery:</b>	<b>Cornerstone:</b> Tanya & Makya Dykstra <b>Sunday School:</b> Pam Vande Hoef & Ruth Ann Wiersma <b>Open Door Service:</b> Sarah Loerts & Megan Loerts	<b>Cornerstone:</b> Daphne Bremer & Dalten/Tayler <b>Sunday School:</b> Luella Eggink & Jan Henrichs <b>Open Door Service:</b> Marvella & Britta Harberts
<b>Library:</b>	Jen Schram	Pauline Van Engen
<b>Coffee:</b>	John & Sharon Bartels	Harold & Luella Eggink

# TABERNACLE PRAYER



## Ark of the Covenant Exodus 25:10-22

