



**SUNDAY,
MAY 13, 2018**

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: PROVERBS 31:10-31
SERMON TITLE: "A GODLY WOMAN"

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 a visitor card found by the hymnals in the pew 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.sibleyfrc.org.

Glorify! God With Worship
9 am - Cornerstone Service
No Children and Worship

10:10-10:50 am
Coffee Fellowship, Prayer Time

- Coffee Fellowship in the Fellowship Hall
- Prayer Time with the Elders in Pastor's Office
- **No Sunday School until Fall**

11 am - Open Door Service
Join us for a time of praise and worship by use of music, prayer, scripture and a Bible Talk.
No Children and Worship

Offerings May 6, 2018: General Fund-\$6,216; Benevolent Fund-\$275; Building-\$5; MS/HS Remnant \$50; Center of Hope-\$105; Village Northwest-\$100.
Special offering for May is Center of Hope.
In order to meet all of our Benevolent bills for the 2nd quarter, we will need an additional \$25,000 above our normal offerings by June 30.

Grow! In His Word

Sunday, May 13:

- Happy Mother's Day! This morning we will have the privilege of celebrating the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. We also wish to welcome to our service, Dr. Bernadeth Kelly and Adrian Bobb, who are currently serving as RCA missionaries.

Monday, May 14:

- **7:00 pm: Ladies Bible Study** meets.
- **7:00 pm: Outreach Team** will meet

Tuesday, May 15:

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

Wednesday, May 16:

- **Youth Groups (last meeting for the school year)**
6:30-7:15 pm: Middle School Remnant meets in the Youth Room
7:15-8:30 pm: HS Remnant meets in the Youth Room

Friday, May 18:

- **2:00 pm: FRC is helping with BINGO** at Sibley Specialty Care

Sunday, May 20:

- This morning we will have the privilege of honoring our Graduates. We thank the Senior Choir for providing special music this morning, as well as during this past year. Thank you for sharing your talents with us.
- **2:00 pm: Commencement** at the Sibley-Ocheyedan High School

Mark Your Calendars:

- May 27:** 2:00 pm Graduation for Sheldon Community School
- May 28:** 7:00 pm Parent/Student Texas Mission Trip Informational Meeting
- June 3:** This morning we will celebrate the sacrament of Infant Baptism for Trace Allen Van Tilburg, son of Justin and Angela Van Tilburg. We will also be honored to witness the Baptism and Profession of Faith of Kaitlyn Bechler. May God bless both of these individuals.
- June 4-8:** 5:30-8:30 pm Vacation Bible School (with supper)
- June 18:** 9:00 am Faith Bible Study
- **4:00 pm Patience Bible Study**
 - **6:00 pm Elders / Deacons will meet**
 - **7:00 pm Full Consistory will meet**

Faith in action for May: Faith in action for this month is **Daily Vacation Bible School**. Sign up to help teach, be a helper, bring food, work in the nursery etc. It takes many people to help make DVBS a success !

Go! And Serve Him

Opportunities to Serve our Church and Community

High School Remnant invites you to check out the Fireside Room today to see some beautiful flowers that are left over from our flower sale this past week. These lovely flowers need to have a home. Please check it out before you leave today. ***Hint: This is perfect for a last minute Mother's Day Gift!!***

BINGO HELP: FRC is responsible for bingo at Sibley Specialty Care on **Fridays at 2:00 pm for the month of May**. Please consider giving an hour to serve in Christ's name. A sign-up sheet is on the information center.

Attention First Reformed Church!! If you have not picked up your MS Remnant sub orders please check out the refrigerator in the kitchen. Place unpaid order money in the envelope on the door. There are also extra subs available for purchase. Prices are posted on the door. Thank you for your support!

Shipwrecked Vacation Bible School Online registration for Vacation Bible School is still open! Sign up your child(ren) today at <https://vbspro.events/p/sibleyfrc>. We are also looking to borrow vintage luggage for decorations! Please label your items and they'll be returned after VBS week. If anyone would like to help decorate for VBS, decorating will be Sunday afternoon June 3rd.

The Congregation is invited to a High School Graduation open house on May 19th from 3pm-7pm at the home of Hunter De Jong. The De Jong's address is 152 Circle Drive here in Sibley.

Those interested in the Mission Trip to Rockport, Texas: There will be a Parent/Student, informational meeting on **Monday, May 28 at 7pm**, regarding the upcoming mission trip to Texas to help with hurricane relief. If you are planning on going to Texas or if you are still "on the fence" you need to plan on attending this meeting. Please mark your calendars!

Aaron Baart, Chaplin at Dordt College in Sioux Center, will be speaking at the Sibley-Ocheyedan Middle School on Wednesday, May 16 at 7:00pm during a Parent and Teen Night Presentation. Aaron will be speaking on the topic of pornography and sexting. Aaron will also have presented this information to the Middle School students on Tuesday. This is a great opportunity to come hear what he has to say to both parents and students and learn how to start a very important conversation with your student. This event is being sponsored by the OCMA (Osceola County Ministerial Association). Please spread the word to fill the auditorium on Wednesday evening (May 16).

The monthly Fishes & Loaves Kitchen meal is being held in the old fellowship hall of the First Presbyterian Church, Sibley, on Saturday, May 19, at 6:00 p.m., games beginning at 5 p.m. Sandwiches, salads, cookies and bars will be served. All are welcome. There is no charge or freewill offering.

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Inspiration Hills Ladies Auxiliary Memorial Day Summer Kick-off and Auction will be held on Monday, May 28th. The auction items will be available for viewing at 3pm with the Live Auction beginning at 3:30pm. A light supper will be available from 4:30-6:00 (freewill donation). Greetings from camp staff will be at 6:00pm. There will be musical entertainment by the Klassen Family from Worthington, MN at 6:30pm. All are invited to attend.

Reservations are being taken for a piano recital to be given by Mr. Peter Carlson, Sibley-Ocheyedan's High School Band Director, for the Sibley-Ocheyedan Music Scholarship. This The recital will be held on Sunday, August 12, at 2pm in the S-O Auditorium. This special performance **must sell out by May 24th** in order for Mr. Carlson to agree to perform. Tickets are \$15 per seat minimum donation. Contact Mr. Carlson at 712-754-7233, or email pcarlson@thegenerals.org for reservations!

The Meanest Mother in the World

I had the meanest mother in the world. While other kids had *candy* for breakfast, I had to eat **cereal, eggs, and toast**. While other kids had *cakes & candy* for lunch, I had a **sandwich**. As you can guess, my dinner was different from other kids' dinners, too. My mother insisted on *knowing where we were at all times*. You'd think we were on a **chain gang** or something. She had to know *who our friends were* and *what we were doing*. I'm ashamed to admit it, but she actually had the nerve to break the child labor law. **SHE MADE US WORK**. We had to wash dishes, *make the beds* and *learn how to cook*. That woman must have stayed awake nights thinking up things for us kids to do. And she insisted that **we tell the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth**. By the time we were teenagers, she was much wiser and our life became more unbearable. None of this tooting the car horn for us to come running; she embarrassed us to no end by *insisting that our friends come to the door to get us*. I forgot to mention that most of our friends were *allowed* to date at the mature age of 12 or 13, but our *old fashioned* Mother refused to let us date **until we were 15**. She really raised a bunch of squares. None of us were ever **arrested** for shoplifting or **busted** for dope. And who do we have to thank for that? You're right, our **mean mother**. I'm trying to raise my children to **stand a little straighter and taller** and I am *secretly tickled to pieces* when my children call me **mean**. I thank God for giving me the **Meanest** Mother in the world. Our country doesn't need a good five cent cigar. It needs more **mean** Mothers like mine."

- Author Unknown

Sermon Notes:

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Miss a message? Want to hear the message again? Go to Sibleyfrc.org and click on "sermon" to watch the video.

Pray for God's People



If you have a pastoral need, please call Pastor Luke Schouten, 920-889-3911, any consistory elder or the church office (754-2783) Remember, we cannot print your name unless you have granted FRC permission to do so. If you have a prayer request you would like included, please contact the office.

- **Pray for those in assisted living:** Ethel Jurgens and Geneva Wissink.
- **Pray for our nursing home residents:** Larry Buysman, Minnie De Jong, Tracy Den Beste, Dutch Kruger and Lois May
- **Pray for our Missionaries:** Dr. Bernadeth Kelly and Adrian Bobb, Jeff and Chelsea Lampen, Sayuri Kist-Okazaki, Brian and Donna Renes, J.J. and Tim TenCley, Rowland and Jane Van Es.

Prayer Requests

We are asking for prayers for a life-long family of Sibley Iowa. Mike and Mary Mayer lost their son, Michael James "Jimmy" Mayer on Tuesday, May 8th. Jimmy had suffered some strokes last week. He was in a coma and passed away peacefully yesterday at the age of 47. A celebration of life ceremony will be held at a later date. Please remember this family in your prayers

Please continue to lift **Kelli Vande Berg, Jay Ten Napel, Mike Kraayenbrink, and Myrna Calsbeek** up in your prayers as they deal with health issues. Please also lift up their families as they seek to care for their loved ones who are struggling with their health.

Karen Stevenson is doing much better. She remains a patient at Avera in Sioux Falls. Please continue to lift her, Leroy and their family up in prayer as she recovers.

Congratulations!

Congratulations to Jena Van Marel who graduates from the University of Wisconsin LaCrosse with a major in Biology and a minor in Spanish. Jena has been accepted to the University of Huston Optometry School and will begin classes in August.

Words of Thanks

We would like to thank everyone for the prayers for my brother Doug. He had a third stint put in three weeks ago and is doing good. Doug hopes to go back to work full time after doctor approval in a couple weeks. ~~Ken and Wilma Loerts

There is JOY in Serving Jesus!

	This Week: May 13	Next Week: May 20
Cornerstone Greeters:	W: Gene & Renae Groen M: Robert & Janice Groen E: Amanda Harms/family	W: Ed & Jan Harskamp M: Bill & LaDonn Hartzell E: Dwayne & Janice Heikes
After Church Greeters:	SE: Dick Oldenkamp C: Lyle Peelen SW: Larry Riebeling BE: Pastor Luke BW: Josh Lucas	SE: Josh Lucas C: Cal Runia SW: Bob Tiedeman BE: Duane Vande Hoef BW: Pastor Luke
Prayer with the Elders:	Cornerstone: Bill Hartzell Open Door: Dick Oldenkamp	Cornerstone: Heath De Jong Open Door: Marcus De Boer
Children and Worship:	Children and Worship is on Summer Break... See you next Fall!!	Children and Worship is on Summer Break... See you next Fall!!
Nursery:	Cornerstone 9:00am: Brenda Michelson & Linda Mehls Sunday School: Summer Break until Fall Open Door Service 11:00 am: Karen Honken & Amy Dykstra	Cornerstone 9:00am: Jenna Ver Steeg & Chelsey Town Sunday School: Summer Break until Fall Open Door Service 11:00 am: Chrissy Ackerman & Heather Tangeman
Library:	Phyllis Vander Linden	Alfreda Verdoorn
Coffee:	Curt & Peg Van Kley	Duane & Pam Vande Hoef



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Hours: Mon-Thurs. 8am -1pm

Jamie Hulstein, Communications
Hrs.: Thurs. 8am-1pm; Fri 8am-12pm
All bulletin announcements are due in the church office by Wednesday noon. Bulletins are printed on Thursday morning.