GLORIFY, GROW AND GO!

FIRST REFORMED CHURCH, SIBLEY, IOWA SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2017

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: NUMBERS 22:12-41 PG.245 **TODAY'S MESSAGE**:

"OBSCURE BIBLE CHARACTERS: BALAAM"

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.sibleyfrc.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

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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: Sept. 10 2017: General Fund-\$5,236; Benevolent Fund-\$270; Building Fund-\$50; HS Remnant-\$50; Bethany-\$580. Special offering for September is Bethany Christian Services

Grow! In His Word

Sunday, September 17: Pastor Luke continues his sermon series on "Obscure Bible Characters."

- 8:20 am Senior Choir meets in the Fireside Room
- Bibles will be handed out to all 1st and 5th graders during the services.
- Sample ballots are in your bulletin for the office of Elder. Nominations
 will be next Sunday, September 24th. Please be in prayer this week
 for all men and women who are eligible to be nominated.
- Today we Celebrate with Hunter Rockman as he will be making his Profession of Faith during the 2nd service.
- 10:10 am: Sunday School for 3yr old—Adult. The Men's Bible Study
 that meets in the west end of the Fellowship Hall will be starting a
 new series, "A Study on the Disciples." All men are encouraged to
 attend this in-depth look at Christ's closest followers.

Monday 9:00 am Faith Bible Study meets.

Leader: Anita, Hostess: Jeannette

- 4:00 pm Patience Bible Study meets
- 6:00 pm Administrative Team Meets
- 7:00 pm Elders/Deacons Meet (Please note time change)
- 7:00 pm "Gospel of John" Ladies Bible Study meets. See announcement for more details.
- 8:00 pm Consistory will meet (Please note time change)

Tuesday 8:30 am: Chickadee Quilters.

Wednesday Bible Classes & Youth Groups

- 6:30-8:00 pm Alpha Bible Class at The Lantern.
- 6:30-7:15 pm Bible Class for grades 1st-5th
- 6:30-7:15 pm MS Remnant meets in the Youth Room
- 7:15-8:30 pm HS Remnant meets in the Youth Room

Thursday 2:00 pm: First Reformed Church is in charge of services at the Nursing Homes and Heartwood Heights.

Saturday: Discipleship Team Meeting

Sunday, September 24: Pastor Luke continues his sermon series on "Obscure Bible Characters.

- We will be nominating members for the office of Elder during today's offering.
- Today, we also will have Communion Preparatory.

Go! And Serve Him

Opportunities to Serve our Church and Community

FRC Soup and Pie Supper will be October 11 from 5-7pm. Sign-up sheets for helping and items needed are posted on the Information Center. Please check the sign up sheets and see where you can help out. Work groups 3 and 4 are heading up this Fall Fundraiser.

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Faith in action for the month of September is ATLAS. Items needed are: Canon Printer Ink: #240—black #241—color; Kleenex, Paper Towels, Pop Diet or Reg. Mountain Dew, Orange, Coke, Root Beer; (Please check expiration date) Card Stock Paper—white; Hershey's Kisses, single serving chips; cans of coffee; 30 gal trash bags.

Attention First Reformed Church!! Remnant's High School Students are selling sub sandwiches! If you would like to purchase these meaty, delicious turkey, ham or club sub sandwiches please fill out the Sub Sandwich order form located on the Information Center in the back of the church! Drop it in the box in the same spot! Thank you for your support!

Ladies, join us on Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m. starting

Sept. 18 for a video study of The Gospel of John. This will be an eight week course and will be taught by a professor of Dallas Theological Seminary, Dr. Mark Bailey. Each lesson has a study guide, discussion questions and a brief quiz. This course will deepen your understanding of John's Gospel and strengthen your relationship with its subject—Jesus Christ. Sign up sheet is on the information center. For more information contact Annette Janssen at 754-4174.

We are in the process of re-instating a team of church

members who would like to visit (on a monthly basis) older members of our congregation or those facing medical issues. Those of you who were a part of this ministry a few years ago have been contacted; anyone else who would like to be involved, please sign up at the information center in the next couple of weeks. We will have a meeting later this month for those who are interested to answer questions and give visiting assignments. This will supplement the elders' and pastor's calling lists. Contact persons: John and Lois Van Diepen

We need you! We need adults with a heart for sharing their love for Christ with our children. Would you prayerfully consider spending 4-6 weeks teaching the youth of our church on Sunday morning or Wednesday evening? Would you be a storyteller in our Children and Worship center on Sunday morning? To volunteer, contact Deb Kosters or Diane Langstraat or use the following links:

Sunday School: https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1pBk1yqPAAqRRX6lQFsSlMqP7YLPWZq8Gyii2yzRZw4g/edit#gid=0 **Wednesday Night:** https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1idJE4sd9Mktix67DTzefCymUv4HxMY5oyeAdFQsHQrU/edit#gid=0.

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The Sibley United Methodist Church will host a meal at the church this Sunday, September 17th, at Noon following worship. This will be a free will offering for kids going to camp. The meal will include pork tenderloin, turkey, scallop potatoes, salads and desserts. Everyone is invited to come and eat and enjoy Christian fellowship!

To the mothers of those always moving, always needy young children whom you love dearly, join us at Mothers Together on Wednesday, Sept. 27. It will be a time to make friends, have adult conversations, receive support and education on the difficult job of mothering plus do fun activities. Excellent child care provided. Mothers Together is a non-denominational group. Mothers Together meets at First Reformed Church of Sibley from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month. Please plan to join us!

Back to School in Haiti! As students in the US are returning to the classrooms the same is happening in Haiti. However, a student can only attend classes in Haiti after they have all of their supplies for school. Here is how you can help. Papito Joseph is collecting monetary donations that will be sent with a group going to Haiti in September. Since postage is very expensive to ship things to Haiti all purchases of school supplies will be made in Haiti. If you feel led to donate to this project please mark School Supplies for Haiti on the memo line of your check and drop it into the plate as it goes past. Thanks!

Advance Notices:

September 24: Elder Nominations

September 27 at 9:00 am: Mothers Together will meet.

October 1: We will Celebrate the Lord's Supper during the morning worship services.

October 7: Kaitlin Michelson and Ryan Sederquist Wedding

October 11: Fall Soup and Pie Supper October 15: Deacon Nominations

Luke Schouten, Lead Pastor lukesfrc@gmail.com 920-889-3911 Josh Lucas, Director of Youth Ministries joshlfrc@gmail.com **Brenda Kuhl, Worship Coordinator** pptfrc@gmail.com **Brenda Post, Administrative Secretary** sibleyfrcoffice@gmail.com 712-754-2783 Hours: Mon-Thurs. 8am -1pm

Jamie Hulstein, Communications Hrs.: Thurs. 8am–1pm; Fri 8am-12pm

Visit our website at: sibleyfrc.org

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!

Next Week: Today: September 17 September 24

Cornerstone

Greeters:

W: Loren & Deb

Jacobsma

W: Rod and Beth

Hulstein

M: Mark Hulsten & Kelly M: Scott & Jamie Hulstein/family

SE: Larry Riebeling

C: Pastor Luke

E: Michael & Chelsea Hulstein/family

E: Roger & Carol Iedema

Hulstein

Greeters:

After Church SE: Arnie Langstraat C: Ken Loerts

SW: Pastor Luke **SW:** Cal Runia **BE:** Ed Meendering **BE:** Bob Tiedeman

BW: Lyle Peelen

BW: Duane Vande Hoef

Prayer with **Elders**

Lawrence Wiersma

Dale Honken **Open Door:**

Cornerstone:

Open Door: Lennis Harberts

Cornerstone:

Duane Vande Hoef

Children and

9am Leader: Annette J. **Helper:** Family of

9am Leader: Deb K. **Helper:** Family of

Paisley Kreykes

Jaxton Loerts 11am Leader: Deb K.

11am Leader: Annette Helper: Family of Lincoln & Addison McDyer

Helper: Family of Kalen Heronimus

Nursery

Worship

Cornerstone: Rachel Wills & Sandy Lamfers Cornerstone: Kayla Hoekstra & Chelsea

Sunday School:

Hulstein **Sunday School:**

Lana Hibma & Sandy Lamfers

Megan Loerts & Ellen

Open Door: Missy Julius Schram

& Kim Van Der Sloot Open Door: Amy &

Mariah Elser

Library

Jamie Hulstein

Imogene Rasmussen

Coffee

Curt & Peg Van Kley

John & Lois Van Diepen



