



JANUARY 26, 2025

We are delighted that you are here to worship with us today.

Miss a service, want to watch a sermon again? Our services are broadcasted live on our YouTube Channel (Sibley First Reformed Church).

Glorify God With Worship!

9:00 am Praise and Worship Service

Prelude: Ger Van Diepen

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

YOUTH CHOIR: "BLESSED BE YOUR NAME"

SONG: "SAVIOR LIKE A SHEPHERD LEAD US" #449

PRAYER OF CONFESSION / WORDS OF ASSURANCE

CHILDREN ARE DISMISSED FOR CHILDREN AND WORSHIP

SCRIPTURE: Psalm 23

MESSAGE: "THE RESTORATION OF THE SOUL"

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

BRINGING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

(DOXOLOGY AND OFFERTORY PRAYER)

SONG: "SURELY GOODNESS AND MERCY" #463

BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG: "SHEPHERD OF LOVE" #446

Happening This Week

Sunday, January 26:

- 9:00 am: Praise and Worship Service. This morning Pastor Brian continues
 his "Psalm 23: A Life Without Lack" series with the message *The Restoration*of the Soul. Today we have the privilege of partaking in the sacrament of
 the Lord's Supper. We also thank the Youth Choir for their ministry of music
 this morning.
- 10:10 am: Sunday School
- 10:10 am: Coffee Fellowship
- 6:30 pm Fellowship Bible Studies will meet at church

Tuesday, January 28:

• 8:30 am: Quilters will meet in the Fireside Room

Wednesday, January 29:

Bible Classes and Youth Groups

6:30 pm: 1-5th Grade Bible Classes will meet

6:30 pm: MS & HS Remnant will be attending the program "Lead

Different: With speaker Mike O'Connell" at the S-O High School

Auditorium

Thursday, January 30:

- **7 pm: Practicing the Way** weeknight class will meet in the Fireside Room **Sunday, February 2:**
- **9:00** am: Praise and Worship Service. This morning we welcome Josh Lucas as he continues the series "Psalm 23: A Life Without Lack" with the message *Paths of Righteousness*.
- 10:10 am: Sunday School
- 10:10 am: Coffee Fellowship
- 6:30 pm Fellowship Bible Studies will meet at church

Mark Your Calendars

February 9: 9:00am Youth Choir will sing

Round 4 of Men's Cooking Competition

February 12: 7:00pm FRC will have a Congregational Meeting to vote to stay or

leave the RCA. Please see announcement in bulletin.

February 26: 2:00 pm FRC is in charge of Nursing Home Services

Practicing Beginning February 2, we will begin the program, Practicing the Way, during the Sunday School hour. The Practicing the Way study is designed to introduce the participant to living a Christ-like changed life. For more details please see Pastor Brian. For those who can not attend the Sunday morning program, a Thursday at 7pm option is also available.

Planning for Vacation Bible School 2025 is beginning, but help is needed! Vacation Bible School needs 1-2 people to serve as directors. The role of director is primarily preparation in the months leading up to VBS, such as coordinating volunteers, promoting VBS,

and utilizing the curriculum to organize everything needed to make the week a success! Are you being called to step into this role and plan a fun week of learning for our kids?! Please reach out to Jena Ver Steeg, Josh Lucas or any member of the Education Team- We'd love to talk to you more about this opportunity and answer any questions you may have.



If you happen to use the kitchen door to enter or exit the church please be sure it is locked and pulled shut tightly. Thanks!

New on the Book Table: Learning to Love the Psalms

by Dr. W. Robert Godfrey

The Psalms are undeniably beautiful. They are also difficult, and readers often come away convinced that tremendous riches remain just beyond their grasp. In this book, Dr. W. Robert Godfrey invites us to journey with him toward a greater understanding and love for these sacred verses. The timeless elegance of the Psalms, their depth of expression, and testimony to God's greatness have enchanted and edified God's people for centuries. *Learning to Love the Psalms* is intended to help today's Christians share in that delight.



A Special Congregational Meeting will take place on <u>February 12 at 7:00pm</u>. At this meeting we will be voting to either stay in the Reformed Church of America or leave and join the Alliance of Reformed Churches. If you are unable to attend

the meeting and would like an absentee ballot, those may be picked up at the office during office hours. If you would like to have one mailed to you, please contact the office via email: sibleyfrcoffice@gmail.com or by calling 754-2783 or Jamie's cell as listed in the directory. All absentee ballots need to be returned to the office by February 12. Any ballots received after the 12th will be invalid.

During the first Round Table Discussion concerning RCA and ARC, two links were discussed which give more information concerning the ARC:

https://arc21.org/ or https://midwestnetwork.org/

Outreach/Community Bulletin Requests



On Wednesday, January 29 @ 6:45pm the MS and HS Youth Groups will be attending a keynote speaker at the high school. 1st-5th grade Bible classes will be held at church as scheduled. For parents planning to attend the event at the HS with their older students, please let their teacher know when dropping off

that night that you'll be picking up your student after the program. We'll keep those kids inside and supervised until you are able to pick them up.

Fellowship of the Carpenter will host their annual Soup & Pie Supper freewill offering fundraiser on <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>February 12</u>, <u>from 5-7 p.m.</u>, in the Sibley First Presbyterian Church fellowship hall. Chili, chicken noodle, broccoli cheese, and chicken wild rice soups, along with ham and cheese sandwiches, and a variety of pies and bars, will be available. Delivery in Sibley only (call 754-2479). Deliveries start at 4:30.



Tri-State TEC, February 14-16 at New Life Church, Sioux Center, IA. TEC is an interdenominational three-day Christian retreat designed to help high schoolers learn more about their faith and their community. If you would like to learn more about TEC or register, please vis-

it www.TriStateTEC.org or email TriStateTEC@gmail.com.

FRC has been providing noon meals each Wednesday & Friday since last spring—for two of our members who receive Meals on Wheels. Meals on Wheels no longer delivers 5 days per week, so we have filled in on the 2 days when there is no meal delivery. We are searching for more volunteers to help with these meals. If you would like to help with this mission, please contact LaDonn Hartzell (605.759.8379)to get added to the email list.



Sermon Notes:

SCRIPTURE: Psalm 23

MESSAGE: "THE RESTORATION OF THE SOUL"

In Our Prayers...

If you have a pastoral need, please contact Pastor Brian or your District Elder or Deacon. You may also contact the church office or Jamie's cell if you would like a prayer chain started. Remember, we cannot print your name or send a prayer chain unless you have granted FRC permission to do so. If you have a prayer request you would like included in the bulletin/announcements, please contact the office.

Pray For:

- Those in assisted living: Wilma Hatting, Jane Buysman, Ellen Schram, Anita Ernst, Trudy Dykstra, Larry and Alfreda Verdoorn, Ethel Jurgens, and Margaret Calsbeek
- Our nursing home residents: Alfreda Verdoorn, Martha Krikke and Marlys Brink
- Our Missionaries: Dr. Bernadeth Kelly and Adrian Bobb, Sayuri Kist-Okazaki, Brian and Donna Renes, J.J. and Tim TenClay, Rowland and Jane Van Es, Grace Covenant Ministries and Jeff and Chelsea Lampen

Pray For:

- All those who have lost loved ones.
- Our Church as we seek God's will
- Our Country and its Leaders.
- All those who have had illnesses and surgeries and health issues.
- Pray for healing for: Alfreda Verdoorn, Janelle Van Drunen, Russ Gaalswyk,
 Donna Kleinwolterink, Margarett Travaille, and Mike Block
- Merlin Doorenbos has been transferred from Sioux Falls to swing bed in the Sibley hospital after surgery to repair a broken hip. Pray for healing for him so he may be able to return home soon.

Words of Thanks

Thank you for your very kind donation you made to your local BEECIN Foundation. Your donation allows us to assist our clients with their palliative care needs. ~~BEECIN Hospice Foundation

Faith In Action for January Layettes for the Center of Hope



This month we are collecting items that a new Baby or New Mom might be in need of. We only ask that all donated items must be NEW.

Stewardship & Giving

Offerings January 19: General-\$5325; Benevolent-\$75; Building-\$0; Community Express Bus-\$920; Village NW-\$100.

Special offering for January is for Osceola Communities Express
Attendance Last Sunday: 124

Offering Summary Through December:

General Fund Offerings: \$395,528.25 | Budget: \$443,532.29 | 89% Benevolent Fund Offerings: \$30,224.81 | Budget: 68,275.23 | 44%

Avg. monthly offering needed: \$42,650 | Total Ben/Gen offering for Dec.:\$65,738.20

There is JOY in Serving Jesus!

	This Week: January 26	Next Week: February 2
Greeters:	E: Derek & Ashley Heronimus/family C: Ken & Sandy Heronimus W: Melissa Hisek/family	E: Cole & Kayla Hoekstra/family C: Dake and Karen Honken W: Loren and Deb Hulstein
Worship Nursery:	Heidi & Grace Sayler	Peg and Curt Van Kley
C&W Leader	Deb Kosters	Deb Kosters
Library:	Jeannette Juffer	Kathy/Joel Verdoorn
Coffee:	Jim & Pauline Van Engen	Curt & Peg Van Kley

church staff

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Hours: Mon & Thurs. 8am –2 pm

***Announcements are due by Wed. noon.

***Bulletins are available by the sanctuary
doors no earlier than Thursday at 2:00pm