



DECEMBER 8, 2024

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: Deb Hulstein

WELCOME

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE:

ADVENT ANTHEM - JOYFUL VOICES CHOIR

CANDLE LIGHTERS - NICK AND MARIA MANS/FAMILY

SPECIAL MUSIC: CHOIR AND YOUTH CHOIR

PRAYER OF CONFESSION / WORDS OF ASSURANCE

CHILDREN AND WORSHIP DISMISSED

SCRIPTURE: GENESIS 2:4-3:19

MESSAGE: DESTROYING THE WORKS OF THE DEVIL: RUIN

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

BRINGING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

(DOXOLOGY AND OFFERTORY PRAYER)

SONG: "THOU DIDST LEAVE THY THRONE" #218 VS 1,4,5

BENEDICTION

CLOSING: SONG:

"WE WILL GLORIFY" #35 VS 1&4

Happening This Week

Sunday, December 8:

- 8:20 am: Joyful Voices Choir Practice
- 9:00 am: Praise and Worship Service. This morning Pastor Brian continues his Advent series, Destroying the Works of the Devil, with today's message: "Ruin" based on Genesis 2:4-3:19. We thank the Joyful Voices Choir for assisting with worship as well as Nick and Maria Mans/family for lighting the Advent candle today. We also thank the Youth Choir for joining the Joyful Voices Choir today.
- 10:10 Sunday School
- 10:10 am: Coffee Fellowship
- 5:30 pm: Children's Christmas Program
- 6:30 pm Fellowship Bible Studies will meet at church

Monday, December 9-13:

- FRC is in charge of Meals on Wheels
- 6:00 pm Elder/Deacon Meetings
- 7:00 pm Supper followed by Full Consistory (no pun intended) All newly elected Elders and Deacons are encouraged to attend the December meetings as many housekeeping items will be discussed.

Tuesday, December 10:

8:30 am: Quilters will meet today

Wednesday, December 11:

Bible Classes and Youth Groups

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

6:30 pm: MS Remnant will meet 7:30 pm: HS Remnant will meet

Sunday, December 15:

- 8:20 am: Joyful Voices Choir Practice
- 9:00 am: Praise and Worship Service. This morning Pastor Brian continues his Advent series, Destroying the Works of the Devil, with today's message: "Redemption" based on Hebrews 9:1-28. We thank the Joyful Voices Choir for assisting with worship as well as Derek and Ashley Heronimus/family for lighting the Advent candle today.
- 10:10 Sunday School
- 10:10 am: Coffee Fellowship
- 6:30 pm Fellowship Bible Studies will meet at church

Mark Your Calendars

December 16: 11:30 am Faith Bible Study will meet at Heartwood Heights for their Christmas Potluck Salad Luncheon

> 3:00 pm Patience Bible Study will meet for a Christmas get together. Please bring a Christmas Treat to share with the group.



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.



First Reformed Church is responsible for Meals on Wheels for Wheel December 2-13th. Please stop at the Information Center to volun-



The Sharing Christmas Families are due TODAY, wrapped, with the family number and individual clearly marked on the gift. (example: Family #6 Child 4 years old).

Outreach/Community Bulletin Requests

Sibley United Methodist Church is having their Annual Cookie Walk <u>December</u> 14th from 9-12:00 or until they are all gone. There are many varieties of homemade cookies and baked items to choose from. Let us help you with your Christmas baking this year.

The monthly Fishes & Loaves meal will be held in the Sibley First Presbyterian Church fellowship hall on <u>Saturday</u>, <u>Dec. 14</u>, <u>at 6 p.m.</u>, serving soups, sliders, salads, and Christmas goodies. Everyone is welcome! There is no charge or freewill offering. Please note the meal is being held one week earlier due to Christmas.

Sermon Notes:

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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: 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: Russell Gaalswyk, Donna Kleinwolterink, Larry Riebeling, Margarett Travaille, Mike Block, Dick Oldenkamp, LeRoy DeBoer, Mandie Sprock, and Melanie Schiphoff.
- **Lawrence Wiersma** underwent surgery this past week in Sioux Falls to remove a toe on his left foot. Please continue to pray for healing for him.

With Sympathy

Our deepest Sympathy is extended to the family of Leroy Stevenson who passed away on Wednesday, December 4. Please keep Karen and family in your prayers as they mourn their loss.

Faith In Action for December Sharing Christmas Families



Gifts need to be brought to Church by December 8

Stewardship & Giving

Offerings December 1: General-\$7039.20; Benevolent-\$310; Kitchen Re-

model-\$5000; Sharing Christmas-\$100; Bethany-\$30.

Special offering for December is for Bethany Christian Services

Attendance Last Sunday: 189

Thanksgiving Eve Offering: \$12,309 / Attendance: 113

Offering Summary Through November:

General Fund Offerings: \$333,270.03 | Budget: \$443,532.29 | 75% Benevolent Fund Offerings: \$26,709.81 | Budget: 68,275.23 | 39%

Avg. monthly offering needed: \$42,650 | Total Ben/Gen offering for Nov.:\$42,542.16

There is JOY in Serving Jesus!

	This Week: December 8	Next Week: December 15
Greeters:	E: Josh and Hannah Lucas C: Troy and Meggan Block/family W: Jerrad and Tracee Brouwer	E: Jamie and Jennifer Bruxvoort C: Nathan and Angie Buysman W: Joann Calsbeek
Worship Nursery:	Maureen and Amelia Heilman	Amy Van Marel and Jodi Wagenaar
C&W Leader	Deb Kosters	Deb Kosters
Library:	Jamie Hulstein	Jan Juffer
Coffee:	Burt and Jan Henrichs	Scott and Jamie Hulstein

church staff

Pastor Brian Carpenter, Lead Pastor frcpastorbrian@gmail.com church:712-754-2783 Office Hours:

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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