



**Psalm 23:
Goodness and Mercy Here**



MARCH 23, 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: LAMENTATIONS 3:22-23

SONG: "GOODNESS, LOVE AND MERCY"

SONG: "HE KNOWS MY NAME"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION / WORDS OF ASSURANCE

CHILDREN ARE DISMISSED FOR CHILDREN AND WORSHIP

SCRIPTURE: Psalm 23

MESSAGE: "PSALM 23: A LIFE WITHOUT LACK--
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CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

BRINGING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

(DOXOLOGY AND OFFERTORY PRAYER)

SONG: "THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD" #444

BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG:

"SAVIOR LIKE A SHEPHERD LEAD US" #449 vs 1



Happening This Week

Sunday, March 23:

- **9:00 am: Praise and Worship Service.** This morning Pastor Brian continues the series "Psalm 23: A Life Without Lack" with the message *Goodness and Mercy Here*.
- **10:10 am: Coffee Fellowship**
- **6:30 pm Fellowship Bible Studies will meet at church**

Tuesday, March 25:

- **8:30 am: Quilters will meet** in the Fireside Room

Wednesday, March 26:

- **Bible Classes and Youth Groups**
6:30 pm 1st-5th Grade Bible Classes
- **6:45-8:45 Agape Supper and Bingo** (please see announcement in this bulletin).

Sunday, March 30:

- **9:00 am: Praise and Worship Service.** This morning Pastor Brian concludes the series "Psalm 23: A Life Without Lack" with the message *The House of the Lord Forever*.
- **10:10 am: Coffee Fellowship**
- **6:30 pm Fellowship Bible Studies will meet at church**

Mark Your Calendars

- April 2:** 6:30 am Men's Lenten Breakfast at Trinity Lutheran
- April 7-11:** FRC is in charge of Meals on Wheels (now serving 5 days a week)
- April 12:** Sibley-Ocheyedan Prom
- April 13:** Passion Play Practice begins (see announcement in this bulletin)
- April 13:** Joyful Voices Choir will sing
Communion Prep Sunday
- April 14-18:** FRC is in charge of Meals on Wheels (now serving 5 days a week)
- April 14:** 6pm Elder/Deacon Meetings
7pm Full Consistory



AGAPE SUPPER Please join us for a night filled with a catered steak dinner from 1015 Steakhouse and Bingo! Wednesday, **March 26, 2025 from 6:45-8:45.** All money raised will go toward Middle School Summer Camp and High School Summer Conference. Please RSVP to Josh.



FRC is responsible for Meals on Wheels for the weeks of **April 7-11 and April 14-18.** Meals on Wheels have now started to deliver 5 days a week again. If interested please sign up on the Information Center.

Free Piano! A member of FRC has a piano they would like to gift to someone. If you are interested, please contact the office.

Thank you to our Men's Cooking Competition participants! Your delicious dishes were a great reason to have some very fun potlucks these past months! Congrats to our Competition Finals winner, Jerrad Brouwer! Hope you enjoy your Cabela's gift card!!



The Alliance of Reformed Churches invites you to join the family of churches for "**Seven Sayings on the Cross,**" a special weekly Lenten video devotional series. Thoughtfully created and prepared by Alliance pastors from across the nation, this series offers a meaningful way to reflect on Jesus'

final words from the cross. You can access these weekly devotionals by clicking the link on the home page of our website (www.sibleyfrc.org).

Middle School Envelope Fundraiser March 2-31st



Step 1: Select an envelope with a number

Step 2: Put the corresponding amount of money in the envelope to match the number on the front.

Step 3: Return envelopes to the basket provided.

All Funds raised will go toward a Summer Camp Retreat for the Middle School Remnant Youth Group

Outreach/Community Bulletin Requests

SAVE THE DATE! You are invited to enjoy food & fellowship at the **ATLAS Waffle Brunch fundraiser** Today, **Sunday, March 23, 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM** at the Senior Citizens Center, Sibley. Serving all-you-care-to-eat delicious Dad's Belgian Waffles, sausage, flavored syrups and beverages. Dine-in or carry-out. A freewill donation will be appreciated to support the ministry of ATLAS of Osceola County, together touching lives for Christ.

Free Food Available—The Food Bank of Iowa mobile pantry will be distributing food on **Thursday, March 27, from 4 - 6 p.m.** at the Sibley Christian Reformed Church at 115 Maple Dr., Sibley. Please bring your own boxes or bags. Also, if you are picking up food for another household, you will need a signed note from them including the name, address, and number of people in the household.

The Presbyterian Women invite you to join them at a Women's Lenten Breakfast on **Saturday, April 5, at 9:00 a.m.** at the Sibley First Presbyterian Church. Guest speaker will be Jillian Van Diepen, who will tell about her recent mission trip to Guatemala. Please pre-register by calling Marilyn Poppen 712-754-3083, or e-mail mrpoppen@premieronline.net, before April 1. There is no charge, but there will be a free-will offering to offset expenses.

St. Andrew Raffle Top prize \$500 treasure chest, and many more prizes available. Tickets are now available from any of the Raffle Committee members or at the St. Andrew office located in the Faith Center, 722 8th Avenue (Mon-Thurs). Tickets purchased may be turned into any member or at the St. Andrew office. Tickets are \$1 each. **Drawing will take place on April 5** and winners will be notified.

Save the date! It's time for the 39th OCMA GOOD FRIDAY PASSION PLAY.



Once again, there will be three performances on April 18, Good Friday, at 5, 7, and 9 pm. FREE TICKETS are available and may be reserved by calling (712)754-2945 or by emailing ocmapassionplay@gmail.com

You are needed! The production does not happen on its own. People are needed to be actors, to help backstage, to help with putting up the sets and taking them down, with ushering, with makeup, with music, and the list goes on. Many of you can testify to the joy of seeing the production, but helping with it is an even greater blessing.

Consider making it your year to bless others.

If you would like to participate, please call Peg or Curt Van Kley at 712-754-2945, Josh Lucas at 712-461-1520, or Becky Krogman at 712-461-1010 so that your name can be included in the program. We must know if you will be able to take part in or help with the Passion Play.

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, 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: Donna Kleinwolterink, Lawrence Wiersma, Merlin Doorenbos, Janice Heikes, Margaret Travaille, and Mike Block.**
- **Jessa Wolter** has been battling very painful back issues, for which she has seen various doctors seeking relief. Please pray that her back pain is able to be alleviated and she will be given some relief.

Words of Thanks

Thanks to everyone for attending the World Day of Prayer program. Special thanks to everyone who helped with the service and provided the lunch afterward. We could not have done it without you!

~~World Day of Prayer Committee

Faith In Action for March:

Nursing Home Items



This month, we are encouraging everyone - children through 90 year olds -



to bring at least one item for the residents of our two local nursing homes. Sibley Rehab needs items for bingo prizes: Little Debbie or other individually wrapped snacks and candy bars. Country View needs items for their general store: jewelry, small knick-knacks, shaving cream, shampoo, lotion, toothpaste & brushes, hard candies, etc.



Stewardship & Giving

Offerings March 16: General-\$14,728.60; Ben.-\$390; Building-\$50; SMO Bible League-\$600; MS Youth Group-\$100.

Special offering for March is for Bible League.

Attendance Last Sunday: 177

Offering Summary Through February:

General Fund Offerings: \$60,951.80 | Budget: \$363,794.52 | 16%

Benevolent Fund Offerings: \$1700 | Budget: \$61,125 | 2%

Avg. monthly offering needed: \$35,493 | Total Ben/Gen offering for Feb.: \$31,874.20

There is JOY in Serving Jesus!

| | This Week: March 23 | Next Week: March 30 |
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| Greeters: | E: Arnie and Diane Langstraat C: Mark and Melissa Langstraat/family W: Brad and Sarah Loerts/family | E: Brian and Megan Loerts/family C: Ken and Wilma Loerts W: Josh and Hannah Lucas/family |
| Worship Nursery: | Amy Van Marel and Jodi Wagenaar | Ruth Ann Wiersma & Sandy Lamfers |
| C&W Leader | Deb Kusters | Deb Kusters |
| Library: | Leona Meendering | Janice Runia |
| Coffee: | Ed and Jan Harskamp | Bill and LaDonn Hartzell |

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***Announcements are due by Wed. noon.

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