



APRIL 26, 2026

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

MINUTE FOR MISSION - GENTIVA HOSPICE

CALL TO WORSHIP: PSALM 2:1-12

SONG: "WHERE CAN I GO WHERE MY MAKER WON'T BE"

SONG: "BLESSED BE THE NAME"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION / WORDS OF ASSURANCE

CHILDREN AND WORSHIP ARE DISMISSED

SCRIPTURE: PSALM 139:1-24

MESSAGE: *THE CURE FOR PRACTICAL ATHEISM*

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

BRINGING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

(DOXOLOGY AND OFFERTORY PRAYER)

SONG: "CLEANSE ME" #410

BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG: "SAVIOR AGAIN TO THY DEAR NAME" #582 vs1

Happening This Week

Sunday, April 26:

- **9:00 am: Praise and Worship Service.** This morning Pastor Brian will continue the series, "Original Route 66" with the topic *The Cure for Practical Atheism* based on Psalm 139:1-24. This morning we welcome John McMahon from Gentiva Hospice as he shares a bit about this ministry.
- **10:10 am Sunday School**
- **10:10 am: Coffee Fellowship**
- **2:30 pm: FRC will be serving the meal at Freedom's Gate Church.** Please meet at the church at 2:30pm.
- **6:30 pm Sunday Night Fellowship Bible Studies**

Monday, April 27:

- **FRC is in charge of Meals on Wheels (April 27-30)**

Tuesday, April 28:

- **8:30 am: Quilters will meet**

Wednesday, April 29:

- **Noon: 6 in 26 Book Club** will meet in the Fellowship Hall
- **Wednesday Night Activities: (This will be the last night for Pioneer Club & MS and HS Remnant for the 2025-2026 school year)**
 - 6:00 pm: Family Night Supper
 - 6:30-7:30 pm: 1st-5th Grade Pioneer Club & Adult Bible Study Groups
 - 6:30 pm: MS Remnant will meet
 - 7:30 pm: HS Remnant will meet

Thursday, April 30:

- **7-8pm: "The Doctrine of Assurance of Salvation" class** will meet in the Fireside Room

Friday, May 1:

- **5-7pm: Meals for Maddy fundraiser** at the S-O High School Track Concession Stand. All monies raised will be donated to Maddy and her fight against cancer.

Sunday, May 3:

- **9:00 am: Praise and Worship Service.** Today, we welcome the Youth of FRC as they lead us in worship. Pastor Josh will lead us with his message, "A Light on my Path" based on Psalm 119:105.
- **10:10 am Sunday School**
- **10:10 am: Coffee Fellowship**
- **6:30 pm Sunday Night Fellowship Bible Studies**

Volunteer Opportunities!!

(Sign-up at the Information Center)

- **April 27-30:** FRC is in charge of Meals on Wheels
- **Freedom's Gate Church meal servers** in Sioux Falls **tonight**
- **Ride Providers:** The OCMA and Love Inc. are building a list of volunteers who are able to give rides to people for doctor appointments. Questions? Please contact Pastor Ben Wiersma at 712-461-1400.



We're getting ready for Community VBS: Rome—and we need your help! Please start saving your empty toilet paper rolls and paper towel rolls for upcoming craft projects. These simple items will help us bring our VBS creations to life in a fun and meaningful way for the kids. You can drop off donations in the box in the fellowship hall anytime leading up to VBS on May 31.

LEADERSHIP



Leadership Training Workshop will be offered here at FRC on May 9 from 9am-4pm (lunch included). This event is aimed at equipping members of our church to understand the role that leaders play in the life of the church as well as training individuals to see opportunities where they can step up and minister in a leadership position. If you are interested in attending, please sign up at the Information Center. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Brian.

FRC has created a Officer Nominating Team to aid in the nomination of Elders and Deacons to serve on Consistory. Those on the team are: Ron Dykstra, John Van Diepen, Heidi Saylor, Jan Henrichs, Rhonda Riebeling, Arnie Langstraat, and Clayton Wagenaar. If you have ever had the desire to serve as an Elder or Deacon, please feel free to contact one of the team members for more details.

Registration Deadline May 1!!

May 31-June 4 will be our Community VBS!!

Host Church: First Presbyterian Church



To register your student(s) or to volunteer to help, please use the following link or scan the QR code:
https://vbspro.events/p_early/sibleyiowa2026



Outreach/Community Bulletin Requests

Spring Salad Luncheon: Bible League International invites you Monday, May 4 at 11:40am to Trinity Reformed Church in Orange City, IA for the annual luncheon. Featured speakers will be from Legacy Thrift and hands Around the World! Please bring 1 salad for every 4 people in your group. For more details please see the poster on the Information Center.

Garden Plots Available: If you are looking for a place to put a garden, there are garden plots available at the community gardens located behind Sibley CRC church. If you are interested call Keith at 721-344-0217.

Gentiva Hospice in Spirit Lake is looking for compassionate individuals who would like to make a difference in the lives of those facing a life-limiting illness. Hospice volunteers offer companionship, respite for caregivers, and the simple but profound gift of presence -- no medical experience required. Training is provided. To learn more or to sign up, contact John MccMahon, Volunteer Coordinator at (727) 421-9216 or john.mcmahon@gentivahs.com.

FREE MUSIC: Sibley CRC has cleaned out their music cabinets. They have choir music and cantata books available for anyone who is interested in them. Please contact Lisa Wiersma at 712-441-3910 for more details.

Meal for Maddy fundraiser will be held at the Sibley Track Concession Stand on Friday, May 1 from 5-7pm. Every meal goes to support Maddy and her fight against cancer. Come for pulled pork sandwiches, chips and water. Free Will donation will be collected. Meal is being provided by the Parents of Bright Beginnings Fundraising and Sibley Parks and Rec Board.

Mark Your Calendars

May 9: FRC Officer Training Class more info TBD

May 10: Communion Prep Sunday

May 11: 6 pm Elder/Deacon meetings; 7pm Full Consistory will meet

May 17: Graduation Sunday

Family Supper Menu:

April 29: Cook's Choice/ Sandwiches and Salads



Volunteer Reminder:

1:00 pm Prep April 28:
Mim Ernst
Kathy Runia
Jan Harskamp

5:45 pm Serve April 29:
Pauline Van Engen
Laura Carpenter
Amy Van Marel
Kathy Runia

2 doz. Bars/Cookies:
Barb Van Diepen
Amy Van Marel
Hannah Lucas

Sermon Notes:

SCRIPTURE: PSALM 139:1-24

MESSAGE: THE PSALMS

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. To set up a pastoral visit please scan this QR code, visit the link <https://calendly.com/frcpastorbrian>, or contact the office.



Pray For:

- **Those in assisted living:** Wilma Hatting, Jane Buysman, Ellen Schram, Anita Ernst, Trudy Dykstra, Larry and Alfreda Verdoorn, and Margaret Calsbeek
- **Our nursing home residents:** Ethel Jurgens, Jo Hielkema, and Martha Krikke
- **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 Country and its Leaders.**
- **All those who have had** illnesses, surgeries and health issues.
- **Pray for healing for:** **Marcus DeBoer** (regain strength and health as he prepares for gallbladder surgery), **Imogene Rasmussen** (illness/hospital stay), **Paul Doorenbos** (physical therapy/regain strength), **Madison VanEngen** (chemo treatments/hospital stays) and **David Calsbeek** (cancer treatments).
- **Imogene Rasmussen** has been transferred from the Sioux Falls hospital to swing bed at the Sibley hospital. Please continue to pray for healing and strength for her.

Faith In Action for April: Church Kitchen Items



We will be collecting items that will be put to use in our church kitchen. Some items needed are: Coffee Creamer Cups, Clorox Wipes, Paper Towels. We **do not need**, Dish Soap or Napkins. Maybe you have worked in the kitchen and know of something that would be useful that you would like to donate.
All items are appreciated!

Stewardship & Giving

Offerings April 19: General-\$8210; Ben.-\$100; Kitchen Remodel-\$3325; VBS expenses:\$350.

Special offering for April is for VBS expenses

Special offering for May will be for Radiate Haiti

Attendance April 19: 183

Offering Summary Through March 31:

General Fund Offerings: \$92,858.90 | Budget: \$382,111.50 | 24%

Benevolent Fund Offerings: \$6670.93 | Budget: \$57,850.00 | 12%

Building Fund Offerings: \$455; Kitchen Updates: \$225

Avg. mo. offering needed: \$36,800.96 | Total Ben/Gen offering for Mar: \$30,914.59

There is JOY in Serving Jesus!

	This Week: April 26	Next Week: May 3
Greeters:	E: Dwayne and Janice Heikes C: Dan and Maureen Heilman W: Burt and Jan Henrichs	E: Derek & Ashley Heronimus/family C: Ken & Sandy Heronimus W: Scott and Jamie Hulstein/family
Worship Nursery:	Anne Maxwell & Ruth Ann Wiersma	Pam Vande Hoef & Jenny Weg
C&W Leader/Helper	Deb Kosters /Nash, Cash, Loryl, Addison	Children and Worship is on Summer Break
Library:	Jan Henrichs	Jamie Hulstein
Coffee:	Bill and LaDonn Hartzell	Ron and Nancy Dykstra

church staff

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*** **Announcements are due by Wed. noon.**

*** **Bulletins are available by the sanctuary doors no earlier than Thursday at 3:00pm**

Website at: www.sibleyfcc.org (for a broad view of FRC)

Facebook page: [First Reformed Church Sibley, IA.](#) (for current announcements)

Instagram page: [remnantyouth116](#) (all Youth Group activities)

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