



**APRIL 5, 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 Easter Celebration Service**

**Prelude:** Mim Ernst

**WELCOME**

**CALL TO WORSHIP:** ISAIAH 53:1-12

**SONG:** "CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN TODAY" #268

**SONG:** "PRAISE THE KING"

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION / WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

*NO CHILDREN AND WORSHIP TODAY*

**SCRIPTURE:** MATTHEW 28:1-17; MARK 16:1-20

**MESSAGE:** *CERTAINTY AND DOUBT*

**CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER**

**BRINGING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

*(DOXOLOGY AND OFFERTORY PRAYER)*

**SONG:** "BEHOLD OUR GOD"

**BENEDICTION**

**CLOSING SONG:** "HE LIVES" #285 VS 3

## Happening This Week

### Sunday, April 5:

- **8:00 am: Celebration Brunch sponsored by the MS Remnant Youth Group.** Freewill donation will go toward this summer's Ark Trip
- **9:00 am: Easter Praise and Worship Service.** Pastor Brian will share his message titled, "Certainty and Doubt" based on Matthew 28:1-17 and Mark 16:1-20. Children and Worship will NOT meet today.
- **No Sunday School today**
- **10:10 am: Coffee Fellowship**
- **No Sunday Night Fellowship Bible Studies**

### Monday, April 6:

- **5:15 pm: Women's Weightlifting Class** in Fellowship hall

### Tuesday, April 7:

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

### Wednesday, April 8:

- **Wednesday Night Activities:**
  - 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

### Friday, April 10:

- **2 pm: BINGO at Sibley Specialty Care**  
(FRC is in charge, please volunteer to help)

### Sunday, April 12:

- **9:00 am: Praise and Worship Service.** This morning Pastor Brian directs us back onto the "Original Route 66" path as we study "Joel, Micah, Habakkuk" based on Habakkuk 3:17-19 and Joel 2:22-27.
- **10:10 am Sunday School**
- **10:10 am: Coffee Fellowship**
- **11:15 am: Fellowship Meal** to celebrate Josh's ordination will be held in the Fellowship Hall. The meal and beverage will be provided. However, the congregation is asked to bring a dessert or sweet to share. The meal will be followed by Josh's Ordination in the Sanctuary.
- **12:00 pm: Ordination Service** for Joshua Lucas
- **6:30 pm Sunday Night Fellowship Bible Studies**

**In our May newsletter we will be honoring our graduating High School and College seniors!** If you will be, or have a son or daughter who will be, graduating from College this Spring, please fill out the form on the Information Center and return it to the office no later than April 17.

**High School Seniors:** We are asking that you submit a senior photo along with the answers to the questions you received in the mail, to the office no later than April 17 as well. Thanks in advance!!

## Volunteer Opportunities!!

(Sign-up at the Information Center)

- **BINGO helpers** at Sibley Specialty Care for the **month of April.**
- **Meals on Wheels** for **April 20-23 and April 27-30.**
- **Freedom's Gate Church meal servers** in Sioux Falls on **April 26th.**
- **Ride Providers:** The OCMA is building a list of volunteers who are able to give rides to people for doctor appointments.

## Mark Your Calendars

**April 12: Noon: Josh's Ordination Service**

**April 13: 6pm Elder / Deacon Meetings**  
**7 pm Full Consistory**

**April 17: May Newsletter Deadline** (seniors please turn in your info and pics!)



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

**Registration Deadline May 1!!**

Host Church: First Presbyterian Church

Step back in time and experience the excitement of ancient Rome at this year's Community Vacation Bible School!  
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](https://vbspro.events/p_early/sibleyiowa2026)



## Outreach/Community Bulletin Requests

## Sermon Notes:

**SCRIPTURE:** MATTHEW 28:1-17; MARK 16:1-20

**MESSAGE:** CERTAINTY AND DOUBT

### Family Supper Menu:

- April 8: Penne Pasta Bake and Roll
- April 15: Scalloped Potatoes with Ham
- April 22: Tacos/Taco bowls and Rice
- April 29: Cook's Choice/ Sandwiches and Salads



*All meals include fruit/fresh vegi, cookies/bars, and milk, water, or juice to drink.  
Ham sandwiches available in place of main entrée.  
March Offering items: Soup, Saltines or snack crackers*

### Volunteer Reminder:

1:00 pm <u>Prep</u> Mar 7:	5:45 pm <u>Serve</u> Apr 8:	2 doz. Bars/Cookies:
Mim Ernst	Jamie Hulstein	Jamie Hulstein
Kathy Runia	Ashilyn Klaassen	Kathy Runia
Jan Harskamp	Pauline Van Engen	Hannah Lucas
	Kathy Runia	

## 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:** **Carol Iedema** (surgery), **Marcus DeBoer** (recent hospitalization), **Brent Wassman** (medical issues), **Paul Doorenbos** (physical therapy/regain strength), **Madison VanEngen** (chemo treatments and prolonged hospital stay) and **David Calsbeek** (cancer treatments)
- **Imogene Rasmussen** was admitted to the hospital on March 26th and underwent pancreas bile duct surgery. Please pray for healing for her and patience as they await testing answers.
- **Marcus DeBoer** was able to return home from the hospital this past Monday. Please continue to pray for healing and strength for him.
- **Carol Iedema** underwent a successful surgery which revealed a non-cancerous lymph node. Prayers for continued healing for her are appreciated.

## 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 March 29:** General-\$5391.70; Ben.-\$1823.89; Building-\$20; Bible League-\$195; VBS expenses:\$300; Remnant Youth-\$200; Kitchen Updates:\$225.

**Special offering for March is for Bible League**

**Special offering for April will be VBS expenses**

**Attendance March 29: 194**

### 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!

	<b>This Week: April 5</b>	<b>Next Week: April 12</b>
<b>Greeters:</b>	E: Ed and Jan Harskamp C: Jon and Amy Elser W: Anita Ernst	E: Paul and Sharee Feldkamp C: Eugene and Renae Groen W: Robert and Janice Groen
<b>Worship Nursery:</b>	Peg and Curt Van Kley	Heidi and Grace Saylor
<b>C&amp;W Leader/Helper</b>	Deb Kusters / Donna Smidt	Deb Kusters / Olivia and Grace
<b>Library:</b>	Kathy/Joel Verdoorn	Ruth Ann Wiersma
<b>Coffee:</b>	Ron and Nancy Dykstra	Luella Eggink and Lynn Schram

### 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.sibleyfrfc.org](http://www.sibleyfrfc.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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