FIGHTING Fair

Matthew 18:15-20





APRIL 6, 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: JAMES 4:1-10

SONG: "IN CHRIST ALONE"

SONG: "IS HE WORTHY"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION / WORDS OF ASSURANCE

CHILDREN ARE DISMISSED FOR CHILDREN AND WORSHIP

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 18:15-20

MESSAGE: "FIGHTING FAIR"

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

BRINGING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

(DOXOLOGY AND OFFERTORY PRAYER)

SONG: "NEAR TO THE HEART OF GOD" #433

BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG: "ALL HAIL KING JESUS"

Happening This Week

Sunday, April 6:

- 8:20 am: Joyful Voices Choir will practice
- 9:00 am: Praise and Worship Service. This morning Pastor Brian will present his message "Fighting Fair" based on Matthew 18:15-20.
- 10:10 am: Coffee Fellowship
- 6:30 pm Fellowship Bible Studies will meet at church

Monday-Friday, April 7-11:

FRC is in charge of Meals on Wheels (now serving 5 days a week)

Tuesday, April 8:

8:30 am: Quilters will meet in the Fireside Room Wednesday, April 9:

Bible Classes and Youth Groups

6:30 pm: 1st-5th Grade Bible Classes

6:30 pm: MS Remnant will meet in the youth room 7:30 pm: HS Remnant will meet in the youth room

Saturday, April 12:

- 6:00 pm Sibley-Ocheyedan Prom Grand March (doors open at 5:30pm) Sunday, April 13:
- 8:20 am: Joyful Voices Choir will practice
- 9:00 am: Praise and Worship Service. This morning Pastor Brian will present his message "No Longer Fit for Purpose" based on Mark 11:1-26. This morning we thank the Joyful Voices Choir for providing us with special music. Today we also will have Communion Preparatory to help prepare our hearts and minds to partake in Communion on Maundy Thursday.
- 10:10 am: Coffee Fellowship
- 6:30 pm Fellowship Bible Studies will meet at church

Mark Your Calendars

April 13: Passion Play Practice begins (see announcement in this bulletin) FRC is in charge of Meals on Wheels (now serving 5 days a week) April 14-18:

6pm Elder/Deacon Meetings April 14:

7pm Full Consistory

April 17: 7pm Maundy Thursday Service (Greeters - E: Dick and Marcia

Oldenkamp; C: Lyle Peelen; W: Junior and Imogene Rasmussen)

April 20: 9am Easter Celebration Service April 21: 9:30 am: Faith Bible Study will meet

3:00 pm: Patience Bible Study will meet



FRC is responsible for Meals on Wheels for the weeks of April 7-11 Wheel 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.

HELP NEEDED: Help is needed to move the Passion Play sets and props to the high school on **Saturday, April 12.** Please meet at the west door of the Sibley Christian Reformed Church (115 Maple Drive) at 8:00 AM. Help with setting up the scenery that morning and also on Sunday, April 13 starting at 12:30 PM would also be appreciated. Contact Curt or Peg Van Kley with any questions.



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).

Outreach/Community Bulletin Requests

Sibley United Methodist Church will be having their annual Baked Potato Supper **April 23 from 5-7 pm**. Serving large potatoes with many toppings to choose from, coleslaw and many desserts. To go orders available at the West Door. A free will offering suggested donation of 9.00 per person. The proceeds are used for local missions.

The monthly Fishes & Loaves Meal will be held in the Sibley First Presbyterian Church fellowship hall on <u>Saturday, April 19, at 6 p.m.</u>, serving ham, dinner rolls, cheesy potatoes, green beans and spring desserts. Everyone is welcome to attend. There is no charge or freewill offering.

Passion Play 2025 Schedule:

- <u>Saturday, April 12</u> @ 8:00 AM Transfer equipment to School (Meet at the Sibley CRC to load sets--Set up will happen on Sunday)
- Sunday, April 13 from 12:30-3:30 PM Set the Stage and put out costumes
 2:00 pm: Music Rehearsal
 3:00-5:00 pm Rehearsal (including children)
- Monday, April 14 from 7:00-9:00 PM Rehearsal (no children)
- Tues, April 15 from 7:00-9:00 PM Rehearsal (no children)
- Wednesday, April 16 from 7:00-10:00 PM Full dress rehearsal with children: Children will be dismissed at 8pm
- Fri, April 18: 3:00 PM Make-up for the entire cast
- Sat, April 19 @ 8:00 AM Take down the sets

If you would like to participate, please call Peg or Curt Van Kley @ 754-2945, Josh Lucas @ 461-1520 or Becky Krogman @ 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 Play.

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

We are one week closer to Easter, the 39 th year of the OCMA Good Friday Passion Play. Have you reserved your tickets or decided to help with the 2025 production? If not, there is still time! We need YOU to help bring the blessings of this production to all the people who will be attending.

Attending this special program will heighten your appreciation of what our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, experienced on that Good Friday and will help prepare you for the glory of Easter morning.

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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MESSAGE: "FIGHTING FAIR"

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: Johanna Hielkema, 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: Gary and Jessa Wolter, Donna Kleinwolterink, Merlin Doorenbos, Janice Heikes, Margarett Travaille, and Mike Block.

Faith In Action for April:

Church Kitchen

Items



We will be collecting items that will be put to use in our church kitchen. Items needed are: Coffee Creamer Cups, Napkins, Paper Towels. We **do not need,** Dish Soap or Clorox Wipes. 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 30: General-\$5567.20; Ben.-\$215; Building-\$0; SMO Bible League-\$45; Remnant Youth-\$300.

Special offering for March was for Bible League.

Special offering for April will be VBS expenses.

Attendance Last Sunday: 161

Offering Summary Through March:

General Fund Offerings: \$96,197.60 | Budget: \$363,794.52 | 26% Benevolent Fund Offerings: \$4559.64 | Budget: \$61,125 | 7%

Avg. monthly offering needed: \$35,493 | Total Ben/Gen offering for Feb.:\$38,105.44

There is JOY in Serving Jesus! This Week: April 6 Next Week: April 13 Greeters: E: Nick and Maria Mans/family E: Dave and Jessica McDyer/family C: Cory and Anne Maxwell/family C: Leona Meendering W: John and Kim McDougall W: Vanessa Odens/family Worship Chelsey Alexander & Lexi Van Diepen Megan Ackerman & Chelsea Hulstein Nurserv: C&W Leader **Deb Kosters Deb Kosters** Library: Jeannette Juffer Pauline Van Engen Coffee: Bert and Jan Henrichs Jim and Pauline Van Engen

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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