

The Rock That is Higher Than I

Psalm 61:2



APRIL 7, 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 - Ger Van Diepen

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

SONG: "CORNERSTONE"

SONG: "MY FEET ARE ON THE ROCK"

CHILDREN AND WORSHIP IS DISMISSED

SCRIPTURE: PSALM 61:2

MESSAGE: THE ROCK THAT IS HIGHER THAN I

PRAYER CONCERNS

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER - JOSH LUCAS

BRINGING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

(DOXOLOGY AND OFFERTORY PRAYER)

SONG: "THE SOLID ROCK" #315

BENEDICTION

CLOSING: "ROCK OF AGES" #498 vs.1

Happening This Week

Sunday, April 7:

- **9:00 am: Praise and Worship Service.** Today we have the privilege of welcoming Pastor Brian Carpenter to the pulpit as he shares his message “The Rock That is Higher Than I” based on Psalm 61:2 with us.
- **10:10 am: Sunday School**
- **10:10 am: Coffee Fellowship**
- **6:30 pm: Fellowship Bible Studies.** The Digging Deeper into God’s Word Bible Study group will begin a study on the book of James.

Tuesday, April 9:

- **8:30 am: Quilters will meet** in the Fireside Room
- **7:00 pm Special Congregational meeting.** Please make every effort to attend.

Wednesday, April 10:

- **Bible Classes and Youth Groups**
 - 6:30 pm: Bible Classes for 1st-5th Grades will meet.
 - 6:30 pm: MS Remnant will meet
 - 7:30 pm: HS Remnant will meet

Thursday, April 11 (please note new date) :

- **6:00 pm Elder/Deacon meetings**
- **7:00 pm Full Consistory will meet**

Sunday, April 14:

- **9:00 am: Praise and Worship Service.** Today we welcome Pastor Troy back to the pulpit as he shares his message “Connection Basics” based on 2 Corinthians 6:11-13 with us.
- **10:10 am: Sunday School**
- **10:10 am: Coffee Fellowship**
- **6:30 pm: Fellowship Bible Studies**

Mark Your Calendars

- April 15:** 9:30 am Faith Bible Study will meet
3:00 pm Patience Bible Study will meet
- April 21:** 9:00 am Youth Sunday The Youth will be leading us in worship
- April 24:** Last Wednesday Night Bible Classes for school year
- April 28:** Last Sunday School Classes for the school year



If you have a student graduating from a College or University this spring, please fill out the information slip on the Information Center and return to the church office by Sunday, April 14 at the very latest. You can also email this information to sibleyfrcoffice@gmail.com or text it to Jamie at 712-260-7246. Thanks!



Babies Blessings

Babies Blessings Table

Donations of diapers, outfits, wipes, pacifiers, gift cards to buy formula, diaper rash cream, etc. can be placed in the tote under the west balcony stair case. * If you know of someone who is in need, please have them contact Josh Lucas and he will make arrangements for them to get their supplies.

Book of the Week



UNTIL THEN
By
Cindy Woodsmall
and
Erin Woodsmall



2024 Annual Men & Boys FRC Fishing Trip

When: July 11-14

Where: Hidden Hill Lodge, Roslyn, SD (HiddenHillLodge.com)

Who: Invite your grandkids, friends or any want-to-be fisherman for this fun filled weekend of fishing and discovering God’s Creation. Sign-up at the Information Center if Interested!



News you Need to Know



Warm weather will soon be back and it will be time to get those yards cleaned up. If there is anything you need cleaned up or fixed now that the beautiful weather upon us let Mark Hulstein or any member of the Congregational Care Team or the church office know and we will get the work done!!!!



The Congregational Care team would like to bring back the Church Visitation Team and begin calling on our shut-ins in our church family again. If you are willing to serve in this way, please sign up at the information center by the end of this month. You will be given some guidelines and suggestions for making your calls. Lets extend our love to all who cannot be here in person! Questions? Talk to Mark Hulstein or Lois Van Diepen.

Fund Raiser for Upper Des Moines Opportunities (UDMO): Come out to Pizza Ranch in Sibley on **Monday, April 8 from 5 – 7** and help support UDMO as they work to provide services and food to those who are struggling in Osceola communities. In addition to the tips given, Pizza Ranch will donate a portion of sales to UDMO. We would love to see you there!

Free Food Available—The Food Bank of Iowa mobile pantry will be distributing food on **Tuesday, April 9, from 4 - 6 p.m.** at the Sibley Christian Reformed Church. Please bring your own boxes or bags.

The S-O Athletic Booster Club invites you to an evening with Jordan Montgomery on **Wednesday, May 8 at 6:45** in the S-O High School Gym. Jordan will be sharing his knowledge on building Involvement, Leadership and Personal Growth. All are invited this this FREE event.

Sibley Community Wide Clean-up, will be taking place on April 24. Please meet at the high school commons at 2:45 to begin clean up at 3pm. Plans are to clean until 5:30-6pm. This is a student/adult team effort. Please volunteer to help by signing up at the following link: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1gHAspgyC1ejSDpvilpCjulqmTh8x6_rd8vYS1ue5Drw/viewform?ts=660c28ea&edit_requested=true. If you have questions, please contact Josh.

Sermon Notes:

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In Our Prayers...

If you have a pastoral need, please contact Pastor Troy Van Beek 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 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:** Ellen Schram, Anita Ernst, Trudy Dykstra, Larry and Alfreda Verdoorn, Ethel Jurgens, and Margaret Calsbeek
- **Our nursing home residents:** Gert Gaalswyk, Martha Krikke, Jane Buysman, Donna Sterler 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

Pray For:

- **All those** who have lost loved ones.
- **Our Church** as we seek God's will with our future decisions
- **Our Country** and its Leaders.
- **All those who have had** illnesses and surgeries and/or deal with health issues.
- **Pray for healing for:** Wilma Loerts, LeRoy DeBoer, Marlin Runia, and Gert Gaalswyk.
- **Roger and Carol Iedema's daughter-in-law, Trisha,** has been back to the Doctors in Omaha. She has been getting good reports. Her leg is healing and she has good blood flow to the affected area. Please continue to pray for healing and strength as she is still unable to walk with out the aid of a walker.

Card Shower

The family of Margaret Calsbeek is requesting a card shower to help Margaret celebrate her 100th birthday on April 17! Please send cards and birthday greetings to: Margaret Calsbeek, 409 9th Ave N, Room 203, Sibley, IA 51249.

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 taken on March 28 (Maundy Thursday): Benevolent-\$2485.81.

Offerings taken on March 31: General-\$10,810.05; Benevolent-\$110; Building -\$50;

Special Offering for April will be for VBS expenses

Attendance Maundy Thursday: 115 Sunrise: 103 9am Service: 258

There is JOY in Serving Jesus!

	This Week: April 7	Next Week: April 14
Greeters:	E: Derek and Megan Ackerman/family C: Brian and Chelsey Alexander/family W: Kim Alsip/family	E: Bobby and Dee Baker C: Gretchen Bartelson W: Tony and Jamiey Bevers/family
Worship Nursery:	Abby and Joselyn DeZeeuw	Pam Vande Hoef and Jenny Weg
S. School Nursery:	Megan Travaille and Megan Ackerman	Sandy Heronimus and Chelsey Alexander
C&W Leader	Deb Kusters	Deb Kusters
Library:	Janice Runia	Pauline Van Engen
Coffee:	Dave and Lesa Stofferan	Ger and Barb Van Diepen

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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