so great a **SALVATION** REGENERATION

"How shall we escape if we neglect so great a salvation?" Hebrews 2:3

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TITUS 3:1-5 EZEKIEL 36:25-27



SEPTEMBER 22, 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).



9:00 am Praise and Worship Service

Prelude: Ger Van Diepen **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS** CALL TO WORSHIP - JOHN 3:1-8 SONG: "THIS IS AMAZING GRACE" **SONG:** "MIGHTY TO SAVE" **PRAYER OF CONFESSION / WORDS OF ASSURANCE RECOGNITION OF NEW MEMBER **CHILDREN AND WORSHIP DISMISSED**** SCRIPTURE: TITUS 3:1-5; EZEKIAL 36:25-27 **Message:** *Regeneration* **CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER BRINGING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS** (DOXOLOGY AND OFFERTORY PRAYER) **SONG: "**CLEANSE ME" #410 vs 1-3 **BENEDICTION CLOSING: "**CLEANSE ME" #410 VS 4

Happening This Week

Sunday, September 22:

- 8:20 am: Joyful Voices Choir will practice
- 9:00 am: Praise and Worship Service. This morning Pastor Brian continues his series, So Great a Salvation, with today's message: "Regeneration" based on Titus 3:1-5 & Ezekial 36:25-27. In today's bulletin you will find a renewed list of "Members Eligible to be nominated to Consistory" as well as a sample Elder nomination ballot. Please prayerfully consider who you would like to nominate to the office of Elder next Sunday.
- 10:10 am: Sunday School for ages 3-103!
- 10:10 am: Coffee Fellowship
- 6:30pm Fellowship Bible Studies will meet Sermon Discussion Group: Meets in the Fellowship Hall Digging into God's Word: Meets in the Fireside Room

Tuesday, September 24:

• 8:30 am Quilters will meet today

Wednesday, September 25:

- 7:30-8:00 am: See You At the Pole Sibley-Ocheyedan High School flag pole
- 5:00pm S-O Volleyball Team Meal will be held in the Fellowship Hall
- Bible Classes and Youth Groups Begin
 - 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

Friday, September 27:

- 2:15 pm FRC is in charge of BINGO at Country View Sunday, September 29:
- 8:20 am: Joyful Voices Choir will practice
- 9:00 am: Praise and Worship Service. This morning Pastor Brian continues his series, So Great a Salvation, with today's message: "Effectual Calling (the external calling)" based on Romans 10:14-15. As you came into worship today, you should have been handed a Elder nomination ballot. Please fill these out as the Elders will be collecting them following the service. Today we will also have communion prep to help prepare ourselves to partake in the Lord's Supper next Sunday during World Wide Communion.
- 10:10 am: Sunday School for ages 3-103!
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Mark Your Calendars

October 2:2:00 pm FRC is in charge of Nursing Home Services.October 6:Joyful Voices Choir will sing
World Wide Communion Sunday

The 2025 Deacon Nominees are as follows:

Nick Mans, Tony Bevers, Cody Hurlburt and Clayton Wagenaar.

WE NEED YOUR HELP! The FRC Outreach Team will be hosting the annual Harvest Festival/Trunk or Treat on Thursday, October 31st from 5-8:30, following the downtown Trick or Treating, and needs your help to make it happen. Volunteers are needed for games, serving, and of course trunks. Please make plans to help out with one of the best outreach events that we do here at FRC. If you are wanting to volunteer, see the sign-up sheet posted on the Information Center. If you have any questions please contact either Josh Lucas or any member of the Outreach team.

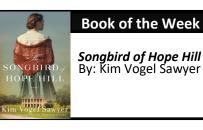
Let Freedom Ring! FRC is going to be traveling to Sioux Falls to serve a meal at Freedom's Gate Church on <u>Sunday, November 10</u> and we would love for you to join us. If you would are interested in joining the group to serve, please sign up at the Information Center. Also, if you have children and need child care during this event, please contact Josh Lucas or any other member of the Outreach team.



First Reformed Church Reminder: Photo submissions for the 2025 Church Photo Directory need to be turned in no later than October 27 to the church office.



The Joyful Voices choir will begin its new year by preparing special music for World Wide Communion Sunday, October 6. <u>Practices are scheduled for Sunday mornings, September 22</u> <u>and 29, at 8:20 am in the Fireside Room.</u> All voices, 7th grade or older, are welcome to join us! Together, we will make our plans for other special events. If you have any questions, please contact Peg Van Kley. Hope to see you there!



Outreach/Community Bulletin Requests

<u>Sibley FRC Remind!</u> We are working with a program called "Remind" to help keep our Congregation informed. If you have a cell phone or email, we encourage you to follow the steps below to get set up for remind. We will use this system for congregational reminders and weather related service information.

Step 1: Log in on your computer. Go to <u>remind.com</u>.
Step 2: Click Log In or Sign Up (if you are new to Remind)
Step 3: Click Join a Class
Step 4: Enter your Class code: *@congfrc*If you have questions please reach out to the office. Thanks!

Free Food Available—The Food Bank of Iowa mobile pantry will be distributing food on <u>Thursday, September 26, from 4 - 6 p.m</u>. 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.

First Baptist Church of Sibley will be hosting a Spaghetti Supper on Wednesday, <u>October 2, from 5 p.m. – 7 p.m</u>. On the menu will be Spaghetti, garlic toast and dessert. Free will offering will be taken.

The Sibley Rotary Club will be hosting their Fall Dinner on Sunday, <u>October 6</u>! Pickup will be from <u>11 a.m. – 1 p.m</u>. at the Trinity Lutheran Church. Ham, Corn, Gravy and Mashed Potatoes will be served. Tickets are available for purchase at Sibley State Bank, Iowa State Bank, Northwestern Mutual or any Rotary Member!



Sermon Notes:

SCRIPTURE: TITUS 3:1-5; EZEKIAL 36:25-27 MESSAGE: REGENERATION

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. <u>Remember</u>, we cannot print your name or send a <u>prayer chain unless you have granted FRC permission to do so</u>. If you have a prayer request you would like included in the bulletin/announcements, please contact the office.

Pray For:

- Those in assisted living: Jane Buysman, Ellen Schram, Anita Ernst, Trudy Dykstra, Larry and Alfreda Verdoorn, Ethel Jurgens, and Margaret Calsbeek
- **Our nursing home residents:** Wilma Hatting, Martha Krikke, 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, Grace Covenant Ministries and Jeff and Chelsea Lampen

Pray For:

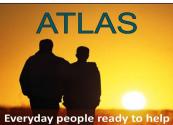
- All those who have lost loved ones.
- Our Church as we seek God's will
- Our Country and its Leaders.
- All those who have had illnesses and surgeries and health issues.
- Pray for healing for: Dean Van Marel, Gary Wolter, Dick Oldenkamp, LeRoy DeBoer, Mandie Sprock, LeRoy Stevenson, and Melanie Schiphoff.
- Margarett Travaille, daughter of Chad and Megan Travaille, has been diagnosed with two masses on her liver. Please keep this family in your prayers as there are many unknowns and concerns that need to be resolved. Further testing is needed.

Words of Thanks

Thank you so much for the donation of groceries to our food pantry. It is greatly appreciated!!

~~Osceola Upper Des Moines

Faith In Action for September



Everyday people ready to help when you don't know where else to turn. Stamps 24lb Copy Paper 20lb Copy Paper Bottled Water Canon Ink #275 & #276 Pop Hershey Kisses 13 gal Trash bags 30 gal Trash bags Grocery Cards Gas Cards Toilet Paper Paper Towels Keurig K-cups Regular & Decaf

Stewardship & Giving

Offerings September 15: General-\$8679; Benevolent-\$15; Building-\$0; Talking Bibles-\$0; Bountiful Blessings-\$44.25 Special offering for September is Talking Bibles Attendance Last Sunday: 167

Offering Summary Through August:

General Fund Offerings: \$222,930.69 | Budget: \$443,532.29 Benevolent Fund Offerings: \$11225.81 | Budget: 68,275.23 Avg. monthly offering needed: \$42,650 | Total Ben/Gen offering for Aug.: \$22,998.60

There is JOY in Serving Jesus!

	This Week: September 22	Next Week: September 29
Greeters:	E: Hugh Schiphoff C: Lynn Schram W: Ted and Eileen Schutte	E: Verlyn and Donna Smidt C: Nancy Soat W: Dave and Lesa Stofferan
Worship Nursery:	Amy Van Marel & Jodi Wagenaar	Sandy Heronimus & Sandy Lamfers
C&W Leader	Deb Kosters	Deb Kosters
Library:	Jeannette Juffer	Leona Meendering
Coffee:	Curt and Peg Van Kley	Duane and Pam Vande Hoef

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***<u>Announcements are due by Wed. noon.</u> ***<u>Bulletins are available by the sanctuary</u> doors no earlier than Thursday at 2:00pm