



**SEPTEMBER 24, 2023**

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: "HOLY, HOLY, HOLY" #2**

**SONG: "HAVE THINE OWN WAY LORD" #414**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION / WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

*CHILDREN AND WORSHIP IS DISMISSED*

**SCRIPTURE: JONAH 1:17-2:10**

**MESSAGE: THE FISH**

**PRAYER CONCERNS**

**CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER--JOSH LUCAS**

**BRINGING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

*(DOXOLOGY AND OFFERTORY PRAYER)*

**SONG: "GOD WILL MAKE A WAY"**

**BENEDICTION**

**CLOSING: "OPEN MY EYES THAT I MAY SEE" #170 vs 1**

## Happening This Week

### Sunday, September 24:

- **8:20 am: Joyful Voices Choir will practice** in the Fireside Room
- **9:00 am: Praise and Worship Service** This morning, Pastor Troy continues the series on Jonah with his message, "The Fish" based on Jonah 1:17-2:10. Today we will be having Communion Prep to help prepare our hearts and minds to partake in communion next Sunday. Today you will find a copy of the Eligible Names list and a Deacon Sample Ballot in your bulletins. Please prayerfully consider who you would like to nominate to the office of Deacon.
- **10:10 am: Sunday School for ages 3-103**
- **Adult Sunday School: September 24 and October 1:** Pastor Troy will be leading a class in the Fellowship Hall on understanding the Athanasian Creed. All are invited to attend.
- **10:10 am: Time of Prayer** in the Fireside Room
- **10:10 am: Coffee Fellowship**
- **2:30 pm: Serve at Freedom's Gate in Sioux Falls.**
- **6:30 pm: Fellowship Bible Studies** (see announcement)

### Tuesday, September 26:

- **8:30am Quilters will meet** in the Fireside Room

### Wednesday, September 27:

- **7:50am: See You At the Pole** Students and parents are invited to the S-O High School Flag Pole to join in prayer for our school, town, state and country. Donuts and drink will be provided!!
- **5:15 pm: S-O Volleyball Team Meal** in Fellowship Hall
- **Bible Classes and Youth Groups**
  - 6:30 pm: Bible Classes for 1st-5th Grades**
  - 6:30 pm: MS and HS Remnant** will meet in the Youth Room for "Light in the Darkness Night."

### Sunday, October 1:

- **8:20 am: Joyful Voices Choir will practice** in the Fireside Room
- **9:00 am: Praise and Worship Service** This morning, Pastor Troy continues the series on Jonah with his message, "The City" based on Jonah 2:1-10. Today we have the privilege of partaking in the Lord's Supper as part of World Wide Communion. We thank the Joyful Voices choir for blessing us with music this morning. Also this morning as you came into church, you were handed a Deacon nomination ballot. Please fill this out, as the Elders will be collecting them at the end of the service.
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**You may have noticed** that we have begun to bring our offerings to the front of sanctuary during the service. However, offerings can still be dropped in the plates in the back of the sanctuary prior to and following the worship service. All offering will be collected and counted following the worship service.

**Elder Nominees are:** Lennis Harberts, Dale Honken, Arnie Langstraat, Duane Vande Hoef and Clayton Wagenaar.



**Calling all Singers!** Joyful Voices Choir is reorganizing for this church year. We will be singing for World Communion Sunday, October 1. Please join us...and invite a friend! Contact Peg Van Kley with any questions.

**The Congregational Care team is looking for volunteers to "Adopt-a-College Freshman".** If you are interested in encouraging one of our students as they go through their first year at college with notes, cards, prayers etc., please sign up at the Information Center to be paired with a student. For more details please contact a member of the Congregational Care team.



**Volunteers are needed to assist with BINGO** at Sibley Specialty Care for three Fridays in **October (13, 20, 27)**. Please sign up at the Information Center if you can help out on any or all of these days.

**There are left over containers of soup and BBQ** in the fridges in the kitchen. Please take as much as you need. There is a donation envelope on the door of the fridge for your convenience.

TableTalk at FRC

**You are invited to the TableTalk Adult Sunday School Class** (west rooms off of the Fellowship Hall). Each week we will be discussing various topics such as current events, church issues, hot topics, etc. Please grab your coffee and join us for At the Table.

**October 8** – What are the three primary forms of church government?

**October 15** – What is liberal theology? How can you tell it from Biblical theology?

### 6:30pm Sunday Evening Fellowship Bible Study Opportunities

**\*\*Message Discussion and Application Bible Study\*\***

\*Clayton and Jodi Wagenaar's home & \*FRC Fellowship Hall

**\*\*Digging into God's Word: Daniel\*\***

\*Fireside Room

*All ages, singles and couples are invited to attend. Childcare can be arranged.*

## News you Need to Know

**Tri-State Bible Conference “Living in the Power of the Holy Spirit”** will be held **on September 25 & 26 at 7 pm** at the Bethel Christian Reformed Church in Sioux Center. The featured speaker will be Ligonier Teaching Fellow, pastor and author, Dr. Derek Thomas. Topic discussions, hymn singing, book tables, and fellowship with leave you instructed and refreshed! Registration is appreciated but not required. Go to [www.tristatebibleconference.com](http://www.tristatebibleconference.com) for further details.

**Headstone History Tour, Saturday, September 30, 2023 from 2-6pm.** Meet some characters of Sibley’s past as local actors bring their stories alive at the Holman Cemetery. You will learn about Dr. Wilder, Al Sharbondy, the Winzer and Walton families, Mr. Scott, Mr. Harding and others. Call 712-541-8451 or 712-754-4108 to schedule your one-hour walking tour. Minimum donation of \$10 per person will go toward the new Ag Pavilion fundraiser.

**5th Quarter needs your help!** 5th Quarter is a program for 5th-8th Graders held following home Football and Basketball games throughout the school year (from 9:30pm-11pm). 5th Quarter allows the students an opportunity to play games, have pizza and hang out with friends in a safe environment at the Sibley American Legion Hall. The leadership team is currently looking for volunteers to help supervise the students. If you are willing to spend time in this outreach opportunity please contact Josh for more information.

**You are Invited to the Carry-Out only Rotary Ham Harvest Dinner on Sunday, October 8, 2023, from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.** at Trinity Lutheran Church. Tickets are \$13 each or \$15 at the door and are available at Sibley State Bank, Northwestern Mutual – Travis Ten Napel, and Rotary Members. Proceeds will go to Scholarships and Other Youth Projects.



**Trinity Lutheran church invites you** to a community women’s event, food provided by The Lantern Coffeehouse, on **Thursday, October 12 from**

**5:30-8pm.** This event features author/speaker Jennifer Dukes Lee as she presents “Season of Life”, a program directed at women 20-100 years of age! Tickets are available at Trinity’s church office (754-3645) and at The Lantern for \$10 each.



**Students and Parents**

are invited to meet at the S-O Highschool flagpole and join in a time of prayer on September 27th at 7:50 am. Donuts and drink will be provided.

## 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, please contact the office.

### Pray For:

- **Those in assisted living:** Anita Ernst, Trudy Dykstra, Larry and Alfreda Verdoorn, Ethel Jurgens, Margaret Calsbeek, and Geneva Wissink
- **Our nursing home residents:** 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.

## Words of Thanks

**Thank you to everyone** for their kind words and get well wishes while I was in the hospital. It is wonderful to be thought of by such a caring church family.  
~~Gert Gaalswyk

**My sincere "Thank You"** to my family and friends for the beautiful and personal loving words on my 90th Birthday. The Lord has blessed me so much with all of you!

~~Donna Sterler

# Faith In Action for September

## ATLAS

Below is a list of items ATLAS is currently in need of:

|                      |                    |
|----------------------|--------------------|
| Stamps               | Hershey Kisses     |
| 24lb Copy Paper      | 13 gal Trash bags  |
| 20lb Copy Paper      | 30 gal Trash bags  |
| Bottled Water        | Grocery Cards      |
| Canon Ink #240 & 241 | Gas Cards          |
| Cans of Pop          | Keurig Coffee Cups |



## Stewardship & Giving

**Offerings taken on September 17:** General-\$8985.05; Benevolent-\$15; Building-\$0; Bountiful Blessings Table-\$32; Talking Bibles-\$200; Remnant \$100. Mission Soup and Pie Supper: \$4530

**Special Offering for September is for Talking Bibles**

\*\*\*\*(please see The Newsletter for a Talking Bible Update!)\*

**Attendance Last Sunday: 179**

## There is JOY in Serving Jesus!

|                       | This Week: September 24   | Next Week: October 1  |
|-----------------------|---|---|
| <b>Greeters:</b>      | E: Jerrad and Tracee Brouwer<br>C: Jamie and Jennifer Bruxvoort/family<br>W: Nate and Angie Buysman | E: JoAnn Calsbeek<br>C: Levi and Kira Christensen/family<br>W: Kevin and Laurel Klaassen/family |
| <b>Nursery:</b>       | Nursery is open but unstaffed   | Nursery is open but unstaffed   |
| <b>C&amp;W Leader</b> | Deb Kusters   | Deb Kusters   |
| <b>Library:</b>       | Leona Meendering  | Janice Runia  |
| <b>Coffee:</b>        | Bill and LaDonn Hartzell  | Greg and Deb Kusters  |



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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