



SEPTEMBER 8, 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: Karissa Hulstein

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP - AMOS 3:1-2A

YOUTH CHOIR AND CONGREGATION: "MY LIGHTHOUSE"

SONG: REDEEMED #309

PRAYER OF CONFESSION / WORDS OF ASSURANCE

SCRIPTURE: JOHN 17:1-3

MESSAGE: SO GREAT A SALVATION: FOREKNOWLEDGE

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

BRINGING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

(DOXOLOGY AND OFFERTORY PRAYER)

SONG: "I SOUGHT THE LORD AND AFTERWARD I KNEW"

BENEDICTION

CLOSING: GOD BE WITH YOU #583 vs 1 & 2

SO GREAT A
SALVATION

FOREKNOWLEDGE

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

JOHN 17:1-3



Happening This Week

Sunday, September 8:

- **9:00 am: Praise and Worship Service.** This morning Pastor Brian dives into his new series, So Great a Salvation, with today's message: "Foreknowledge" based on John 17:1-3. As you came into worship today you should have been handed a Deacon nomination ballot. Please fill these out as the Elders will be collecting them following the service. Today is also the start of our Education Year! This morning our 1st and 6th graders will be each receiving a new Bible to help lead them along their spiritual journey. Please keep our students, teachers and youth leaders in your prayers as they begin a new year together.
- **10:10 am: Sunday School for ages 3-103!**
- **10:10 am: Coffee Fellowship**
- **11:00 am: Men's Cooking Competition Round 1.** We are asking the women of FRC to bring either a side or salad to share as we feast together! Dessert, Drink and Tableware will be provided.
- **6:30pm Fellowship Bible Studies will begin**
Sermon Discussion Group 1: Meets in the Fellowship Hall
Sermon Discussion Group 2: Meets at Clayton and Jodi Wagenaar's home
Digging into God's Word: Meets in the Fireside Room

Monday, September 9:

- **6:00 Deacons will meet with Elders prior to Full Consistory**
- **6:30 pm Elder and Deacon Meetings**
- **7:00 Full Consistory Meets**

Tuesday, September 10:

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

Wednesday, September 11:

- **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

Thursday, September 12:

- **5:30 pm Football Team Meal** will be held in the Fellowship Hall

Friday, September 13:

- **2:15 pm FRC is in charge of BINGO at Country View**

Sunday, September 15:

- **9:00 am: Praise and Worship Service.** This morning Pastor Brian continues his series, So Great a Salvation, with today's message: "Election and Predestination" based on Deuteronomy 7:6-11; John 15:16.
- **10:10 am: Sunday School for ages 3-103!**
- **10:10 am: Coffee Fellowship**
- **6:30pm Fellowship Bible Studies will meet**
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Coffee Hour Revamp: Starting Today, we will be offering four coffee stations around church. One will be in the Fireside Room, one in the Library, one in the Fellowship Hall and one in our newly appointed "Coffee Hour Chat Room" (west Fellowship Hall Sunday School Rooms). Juice will still be available in the Fellowship Hall. We hope this allows everyone to enjoy their coffee and goodies and still be able to attend a Sunday School Class or Fellowship Time.



Sunday School for all ages starts TODAY!!

Adult Class opportunities:

- ♦ **Sermon on the Mount: Life in the Kingdom** led by Pastor Brian located in the Fellowship Hall during coffee hour
- ♦ **Table Talk** led by Gretchen Bartelson in the Fireside Room (Intergenerational class for High School and Adults)
- ♦ **Disciple-Making Guide Class** (formerly the Sunday School Guide Class) member led, held in the Library



Fellowship Bible Studies will resume this evening at 6:30pm.

We encourage you to join a group to build relationships with fellow participants, grow in Bible knowledge and discover how to apply what we learn to our daily lives!

There are currently three opportunities to get involved:

- ♦ **Digging Deeper Bible Study** is currently going through the book of Genesis and meets in the Fireside Room.
- ♦ **Two Sermon Discussion Groups** These groups take the morning sermon to the next level by discussing key questions and encouraging further study.
 *One group meets here at FRC in the Fellowship Hall.
 *The Second group meets at Clayton and Jody Wagenaar's home.

There is always an opportunity to start more study groups. If you have a group idea and would like to begin your own group, please contact the office to get it into the bulletin. All ages, singles and couples are invited. Bring a friend or neighbor! Childcare can be arranged. **Join a group and Let's Grow Together!!!**



Substitute Teachers are still needed for a few classes. Please prayerfully consider this opportunity to help share in the Christian education of our church family and sign up at the Information Center.

Please Note:

Someone has been turning on the auto-open switch on the East church door, locking it open and leaving it that way during the week/overnight. It is fine that you use this feature **IF** you shut it back off when you leave. Leaving the switch on and the door locked open is a safety issue. Thank you!

Outreach/Community Bulletin Requests



Back-to-school sales are happening now! It is the perfect time to stock up on your Operation Christmas Child Shoebox items!!



FRC is scheduled to help out with BINGO at Country View at 2:15pm on the Fridays in September. Please use the signup sheet on the Information Center to volunteer.

Sibley Rec needs Volunteers to help with 5th Quarter! 5th Quarter is held after various Friday night home football and basketball games throughout the school year for grades 5th-6th & 7th-8th from 9:30pm-11pm. A Google Doc Link has been set up to help organize volunteers. https://docs.google.com/document/d/13YndrVPqnApre_AKzI5ETmPsl8yK_P7e1dykMVwNJcQ/edit?usp=sharing . A paper version can also be found on the Information Center.



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.

Mobile Food Pantry Change of Date—Starting in September, the Food Bank of Iowa mobile pantry will be **distributing food at Sibley Christian Reformed Church from 4-6 p.m. on the 4th Thursday of each month** (except when holidays conflict with the date). Upcoming dates for food distribution are **Sept. 26, Oct. 24, Nov. 21, and Dec. 19.**

Mark Your Calendars

September 18: No Bible Classes/Youth Groups due to S-O Coronation

September 25: See You at the Pole at S-O High School



Book of the Week

THE FIFTEENTH COMMANDMENT
By: Steve Sieberson

FRC invites you to join together for the first annual
FRC Men's Cooking Competition



-- Round 1--September 8:
"Smokin' in the Boy's Room"
(smoked or grilled meat)

Details can be found on the Contest Posters around church

Sermon Notes:

SCRIPTURE: JOHN 17:1-3

MESSAGE: SO GREAT A SALVATION: FOREKNOWLEDGE

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:** 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

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 health issues.
- **Pray for healing for:** Dean Van Marel, Gary Wolter, Dick Oldenkamp, LeRoy DeBoer, Mandie Sprock, LeRoy Stevenson, and Melanie Schiphoff.

Faith In Action for September



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 1: General-\$6434.20; Benevolent-\$165; Building-\$0; Village NW-\$100; Talking Bibles-\$50; Bountiful Blessings-\$55; Global Missions: Tricia Groeneveld-\$2000.

Special offering for September is Talking Bibles

Attendance Last Sunday: 155

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 8	Next Week: September 15
Greeters:	E: Daren Rockman C: Jr. and Imogene Rasmussen W: Janice Runia	E: Marlin and Kathy Runia C: Brian and Heidi Saylor & Family W: Eric Schiphoff
Worship Nursery:	Teresa Hurlburt and Maria Mans	Maureen and Amelia Heilman
C&W Leader	Deb Kusters	Deb Kusters
Library:	Jamie Hulstein	Jan Juffer
Coffee:	John and Lois Van Diepen	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