

THE STORY

READ THE STORY. EXPERIENCE THE BIBLE.



**Creation: The Beginning of Life
as We Know It**



Welcome to Church!

JANUARY 5, 2019

We are delighted that you are worshipping with us today. We strive to be a warm, welcoming place for you to glorify God. We encourage you to please fill out a visitor card found by the hymnals in the pew and place it in the offering plate as it is being passed. To find out more about First Reformed Church, stop at the Information Center in the Narthex, or visit our website: www.sibleyfrc.org.

Glorify! God With Worship

9 am - Cornerstone Service

- Children and Worship for those 3 yrs-Kindergarten

10:10-10:50 am

Coffee Fellowship & Prayer Time

- Sunday School 4yrs-12th Grade
- Adult Sunday School Guide class meets in the Library
- Men's and Women's Bible Studies meet in the classrooms on the West end of the Fellowship Hall
 - Coffee Fellowship in the Fellowship Hall
 - Prayer Time with the Elders in Pastor's Office

11 am - Open Door Service

- Join us for a time of praise and worship by use of contemporary music, prayer, scripture and a Bible Talk.
- Children and Worship for those 3 yrs-Kindergarten

Grow! In His Word

MESSAGE:

"CREATING: THE BEGINNING OF LIFE AS WE KNOW IT"

SCRIPTURE:

Genesis 2:7, 15-25; 3:21-23

Stewardship & Giving

Offerings for December 29, 2019: General Fund -\$3277; Benevolent Fund-\$3085

Special Offering for January is Osceola Communities Express

Cherish Center Baby Bottle Campaign is here. Grab a bottle and donate!

Happening This Week

Sunday, January 5:

- Today we begin "The Story" with the sermon topic "Creating: The Beginning of Life As We Know It" Today's sermon is based off of Chapter 1 pages 1-12 in the book "The Story" as well as the following scripture verses: Genesis Chapters 1-4:16, 6:9-11:26. Today we have the privilege of Installing and Ordaining those who have been elected to the offices of Elder and Deacon. First Service: Mitch Kreykes (D), and Ryan Wiersma (D); Second Service: Stan DeZeeuw (E), Ken Heronimus (E), Marlin Runia (E), and Larry DeBoer (E). Today we also have Communion Preparatory to help prepare our hearts and minds to participate in the Lord's Supper next Sunday.
- **8:20 am Joyful Voices Choir will meet**
- **10:10 am Sunday School**
- **Special Elder meeting** will be held between the Services today in the Pastor's office
- **6:30pm Sunday Evening "The Story" Bible Study** will meet at Clayton and Jodi Wagenaar's home. See announcement for more information.

Monday, January 6:

- **6:30 pm: Administrative Team meets**
- **7:00 pm: Monday night "The Story" Bible Study will meet**

Tuesday, January 7:

- **8:30 am: Chickadee Quilters**

Wednesday, January 8:

- **6:30pm: "The Story" Wednesday Edition Bible Study will meet**
- **Bible Classes & Youth Groups will meet**
 - 6:30-7:30 pm: Bible Class for 1st—5th Grade**
 - 6:30-7:30 pm: MS Remnant meets** in the Youth Room
 - 7:30-8:30 pm: HS Remnant meets** in the Youth Room

Sunday, January 12:

- **8:00 am - 8:45 am Fellowship Breakfast sponsored by the College Youth.** This is a fundraiser for the Summer 2020 Mission Trip.
- **9:30 am Today we continue the Sermon Series, "The Story" with the sermon topic of "God Builds a Nation"** Today's sermon is based off of Chapter 2 pages 13-27 in the book "The Story." For corresponding scripture please see Sermon Notes page in the bulletin. Today we have the privilege of witnessing 14 young people make Profession of Faith: MacKenzie Beyer, Halle Block, Tayler Bremer, Madison Brouwer, Ella Bruxvoort, Delaney De Boom, Makya Dykstra, Uchan Harberts, Apiyo Harberts, Alexis Hulstein, Karissa Hulstein, Addysen Langstraat, Emma Langstraat, and Codie Wynia. Today we also will be celebrating the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Please join us after the service for coffee and cupcakes.
- **No Sunday School today**

Go! And Serve Him

Mark Your Calendars

- January 13:** 6:00 pm Elders/Deacon Meetings (**NOTE NEW WEEK FOR 2020!**)
7:00 pm Full Consistory will meet
- January 15:** 9:00am Mothers Together will meet

Opportunities and Events

The **2020 Church Directory** is being worked on. If you have had a change in address, email or phone number please get those to the office as soon as possible so we can get those updated. Thanks!

There are extra **Pizzas, Cookie Dough and Spaghetti Sauce** available in the kitchen freezer for a Freewill Donation. Please place money in the envelope.

Drivers Needed!!



We are in need of drivers to help Marlys Pietz get to her Dialysis Treatments in Worthington. If you are willing and able to help, please use the new sign up sheet on the Information Center. Thanks!

Changing LIVES... Strengthening FAMILIES

♥ Maternity Home for Teens
♥ Parenting & Prenatal Education
♥ Mentor Moms

Baby Bottle Campaign

FRC is participating in a Baby Bottle Campaign to benefit the Cherish Center. Baby Bottles are located on the table in the Fellowship Hall ready for you to pick one up. Your coins can make a difference in the lives of young mothers and their children. Please help change lives and strengthen families. Please return your bottles to the church by February 2nd.

The proceeds of this unique fundraiser will be used to help Cherish House

cherishcenter



Secret Sister Reveal

January 18th at 9:00am
In the Fireside Room!!

New Secret Sister forms have been put in your mailboxes. Forms are due back to the information Center by January 19th.

New Secret Sister partners will be handed out on January 26th.

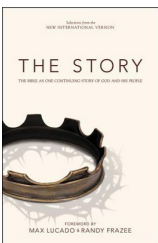
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Opportunities and Events

Beginning January 1st the church hours that the east door will be open are Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday from 7am-5:45 pm; Wednesday from 7am-9:15pm; Saturday 7:00am-4pm and Sunday 7:00am-2pm. If you need a temporary passcode please contact the office and we will help you out with that. A few other codes will also be changing as well. Please contact your group leaders for more information. Thanks!

You Are Invited to the Trinity Lutheran Church ANNUAL POLKA SERVICE AND GERMAN MEAL, Sunday, January 26—10:00am—Polka Worship Service A group of musicians will help us out by playing polka music. 11:00am-12:30pm—German Meal (brats & hotdogs, sauerkraut, German potato salad, chips, beans, homemade desserts and drink) **There will be a freewill offering.**

The High School youth group is beginning to fundraise for Rocky Mountain High this upcoming Summer. With that in mind we are kicking things off with our first fundraiser called, "Money Envelopes!" You will notice a table in the back with numbered envelopes. All that you have to do is pick up an envelope and whatever number is on the envelope that is the amount you will put in. For example, if you pick up an envelope that has a "\$10" sign on it you will put \$10 in the envelope. The numbers range from \$1-\$100! Once you have done that you put the envelope in the box and you are done! Thank you in advance for your support!



Every family in our church will be given a copy of "The Story" to use during the sermon series plus a suggested Reading Guide, so check the table by the Sanctuary door for your copy. **We ask that you please read the chapter BEFORE coming to hear the sermon on that part of redemptive history.**

"The Story" Bible Study Opportunities:

- ◆ **6:30pm Sunday Evenings** at Clayton and Jodi Wagenaar's House (6110 200th Street Melvin)
- ◆ **7:00pm Monday Evenings** here at FRC
- ◆ **6:30 pm Wednesday Evenings** here at FRC
- ◆ **"Tentative Study"** A possible study is being considered for Friday mornings at 9:00am. If interested please sign up on the Information Center.

Sermon Notes:

Grow! In His Word

MESSAGE:

"CREATING: THE BEGINNING OF LIFE AS WE KNOW IT"

SCRIPTURE:

Genesis 2:7, 15-25; 3:21-23 PG. 3

Suggested Readings for January 12, 2020

	Abram moves to Canaan	Isaac born	Abraham offers Isaac	Jacob and Esau born	Abraham dies	Joseph born	Isaac dies
BC	2091	2066	2050	2006	1991	1915	1886

January 12, 2020 - "God Builds a Nation"

Chapter 2 Pages: 13-27 in "The Story"

The life of Abraham (11:27-25:11)

Abraham's background (11:27-25:11)

Abraham's land (chs. 12-14)

Abraham's people (chs 15-24)

Abraham's last days (25:1-11)

Covenant with Abraham

The descendants of Ishmael (24:12-18)

The life of Jacob (25:19-34:29)

The descendants of Esau (36:1-37:11)

In Our Prayers



If you have a pastoral need, please call Pastor Luke Schouten, 920-889-3911, any consistory elder or the church office (754-2783). 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:** Ethel Jurgens and Geneva Wissink
- **Pray for our nursing home residents:** Margaret Calsbeek, Dutch Kruger, and Harold Schram.
- **Pray for our Missionaries:** Dr. Bernadeth Kelly and Adrian Bobb, Sayuri Kist-Okazaki, Brian and Donna Renes, J.J. and Tim Ten Cley, Rowland and Jane Van Es.

In Our Prayers

Please continue to lift Anita Hoting, Chelsey Alexander, Marvin Runia, Dave Stofferan, Dianne Kass, Barb Ronellenfitch, Janice Groen, Dean Ackerman, Jodene Kruse, Larry Riebeling, Ray Schram, Dave Kleinwolterink, Cavell Van Westen, Kelli Van De Berg, and Michael Block Jr. up in your prayers as they continue to deal with health issues.

Marilynn DeBoer continues to deal with health issues. She has seen improvement, but still has quite a ways to go yet. Please continue to lift her up in your prayers.

Words of Thanks

Thank you to the carolers for coming to sing at my home. It was a real treat to add to my Christmas Season

~~Lynn Schram

Thank you to the youth of your church for making us one their Sunday School and Wednesday night offering designees. We truly appreciate your thought to include us. Enjoy this wonderful season and all the joy that it can bring.

~~Becky Krogman, Foundation Director



Inclement Weather Reminder: If on a Sunday morning it is either extremely cold or the weather is nasty, please listen to KIWA Sheldon 105.3 or check out our Facebook page or church website. An email will also be sent to Prayer Chain members. If the situation calls for it, the first service and Sunday School will be cancelled with the hope that we will still be able to have the 2nd service. If the weather doesn't allow that, then a second notice will be sent out via the avenues listed above for the cancelation of the 2nd service.

There is JOY in Serving Jesus!

	This Week: January 5	Next Week: January 12
Cornerstone Greeters:	W: Brian & Megan Loerts/family M: Ken & Wilma Loerts E: Josh & Hannah Lucas	W: Frank & Darcy Martinez M: John & Kim McDougall/family E: Dave & Jessica McDyer/family
After Church Greeters:	E: John Bartels C: Marcus De Boer W: Pastor Luke BE: Josh Lucas BW: Stan De Zeeuw	E: Ron Dykstra C: Pastor Luke W: Josh Lucas BE: Harold Ernst BW: Henry Fisher
Prayer with the Elders:	Cornerstone: Bill Hartzell Open Door: Ken Heronimus	Cornerstone: Dick Oldenkamp No Open Door Service Today
Children and Worship:	Children and Worship 9:00 am: Deb Kosters 11:00 am: Deb Kosters	Children and Worship 9:30 am: Deb Kosters No Second Service Today
Nursery:	9:00 am: Sandy Lamfers & Rachel Wills Sunday School Paige Hurlburt 11:00 am: Tiffany & Liz Wynia	9:30 am: Ashley Heronimus & Jenny Weg Sunday School No Sunday School 11:00 am: No Open Door Service
Library:	Ruth Ann Wiersma	Jane Buysman
Coffee:	Ron & Nancy Dykstra	Harold & Luella Eggink



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***All bulletin announcements are due in the church office by Wednesday noon.
Bulletins are printed on Thursday morning.***