

The Sower

Mark 4:1-20



FEBRUARY 12, 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 - Deb Hulstein

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

SONG: "PRAISE TO THE LORD THE ALMIGHTY" #10

SPECIAL MUSIC: CHILDREN'S CHOIR

PRAYER OF CONFESSION / WORDS OF ASSURANCE

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION FOR:

ELDER JOHN JUFFER AND DEACON DEREK HERONIMUS

****CHILDREN AND WORSHIP DISMISSED****

SCRIPTURE: MARK 4:1-20

MESSAGE: *THE SOWER*

SONG: "GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS" #17

PRAYER CONCERNS

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

SONG: "WE'VE A STORY TO TELL TO THE NATIONS" #524 VS 1-3

BENEDICTION

CLOSING: "WE'VE A STORY TO TELL TO THE NATIONS" #524 VS 4



Happening This Week

Sunday, February 12:

- **9:00 am: Praise and Worship Service.** This morning Pastor Troy will share his message, "The Sower" based on Mark 4:1-20. Today we have the privilege of witnessing the Ordination and Installation of Elder John Juffer and Deacon Derek Heronimus. We thank the Children's Choir for their ministry of music this morning.
- **10:10 am: Coffee Fellowship**
- **10:10 am: Sunday School**
- **6:30pm: Fellowship Bible Studies**

Monday, February 13:

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

Tuesday, February 14:

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

Wednesday, February 15:

- **Bible Classes and Youth Groups**
 - 6:30 pm: Bible Classes for 1st-5th Grades**
 - 6:30 pm: Middle School Remnant** will meet in the Youth Room
 - 7:30 pm: High School Remnant** will meet in the Youth Room
 - 7:30 pm: Joyful Voices Choir** tonight

Sunday, February 19:

- **9:00 am: Praise and Worship Service.** This morning Pastor Troy will share his message, "Enter the Wilderness" based on Mark 1:9-13. We thank the Joyful Voices Choir for their ministry of music this morning.
- **10:10 am: Coffee Fellowship**
- **10:10 am: Sunday School**
- **6:30pm: Fellowship Bible Studies**

Mark Your Calendars

- February 20: 9:30 am Faith Bible Study will meet**
(Phyllis will lead lesson 9 and Jane will serve as hostess)
3:00 pm Patience Bible Study will meet
(Barb will lead lesson 4 and Kathy will serve as hostess)

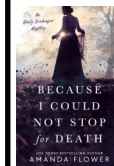


We are in need of more volunteers to transport Marlys Pietz to dialysis in Worthington three times a week. Many of the same volunteers have been doing it and we would like to add a few more names to the list of available drivers. Please sign up on the sheet on the information center if you would be willing to lend a hand.

Members of Willing Hands Work Groups have been sorting through items in the kitchen. Items that have been stored unused for years are on the north counter. Please check them out and take any/all items if you can find a use for them.

Cursillo is coming soon!! Mark your calendars for Cursillo, a spiritual renewal program designed to help people go deeper in living out God's grace. The three-day weekend retreat is often described as an encounter with Christ. Men's weekend is **February 23-26** followed by the women's weekend, **March 2-5**. If you are interested in going for the first time or if you have gone before and would like to work at these events, please contact Clayton and Jodi Wagenaar if you have any questions or would like more information.

Books of the Week:



Because I Could Not Stop for Death
by: Amanda Flower



Sunrise
#1 in the Sky King Ranch Series
by Susan May Warren

Registration now open!!

**INSPIRATION HILLS
2023 SUMMER CAMP**

REGISTRATION OPENS FEBRUARY 1ST @ 9 AM



SCAN HERE
WITH YOUR PHONE CAMERA TO REGISTER

REGISTER ONLINE
INSPIRATIONHILLS.ORG

SAVE MONEY BY REGISTERING BEFORE APRIL 15



Inspiration Hills
Camp Center

1242 280th St. E Inwood, IA 51240
712.986.5193

News you Need to Know

Free Food Available: The Food Bank of Iowa mobile pantry will be distributing food on **Tuesday, February 14 from 4 - 6 p.m.** at the Sibley Christian Reformed Church. 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.

You are invited to Fellowship of the Carpenter's annual Soup & Pie Supper fundraiser being held in the Sibley First Presbyterian Church fellowship hall on **Wednesday, Feb. 15, from 5-7 p.m.,** serving chili, broccoli and cheese, chicken 'n noodle, chicken 'n wild rice, and vegetable beef soups, a variety of pies and desserts, and ham and cheese sandwiches. Please call 754-2479 for carry-outs. Freewill offering.

Attention Parents of 2023-2024 Preschool/PreK students:

Preschool: Any child who will be 4 by Sept. 15, 2023

Pre-K: Any child who will be 5 by Sept 15, 2023

Kindergarten: Any child who will be 5 by September 15, 2023 and who isn't currently enrolled in preschool or prek.

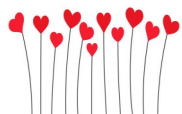
If you have a student who would fall into one of these three categories and you would like them to attend school this fall, please call: 712-754-3636 to register them. **Deadline for registration is Friday, February 17, 2023.**

Sibley's UMC Open Kitchen will be on **February 18 at 12:00pm.** The menu for this month is lasagna, 7 layer salad garlic bread, dessert, coffee and milk. This is a free meal and all are welcomed.

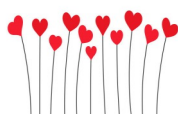
The monthly Fishes & Loaves meal is being held in the Sibley First Presbyterian Church fellowship hall on **Saturday, Feb. 18, at 6 p.m.,** serving lasagna, garlic bread, salad and cheesecake. All are welcome! There is no charge or freewill offering.

Tri-State Teens Encounter Christ (TEC) is happening **March 17-19** at FRC Rock Rapids. Please see the Information Center for more information.

~~February Anniversaries Newsletter Corrections~~



14 Burt and Jan Henrichs - 48 years
15 Gary and Jessa Wolter - 60 years



Sermon Notes:

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MESSAGE: THE SOWER

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:** 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
- **All those** who have lost loved ones.
- **Our Church** as we seek God's will with our future decisions
- **Our Country** and its Leaders.

In Our Prayers...

Pray For:

- **Brenda Wassman** as she deals with health issues.
- **Le Roy DeBoer** underwent testing to determine the cause of his continued weakness. Please pray that he may receive answers and a treatment plan.
- **Burt Henrichs** as he recovers from knee surgery
- **All those who have had** illnesses and surgeries and/or deal with health issues.

Words of Thanks

Thank you for your cards, calls and especially your prayers as I recuperate and regain my strength. Your kindness was and is appreciated.

~~Gary Wolter

Faith In Action for February Random Acts of Kindness

Leave a thank you note Offer your seat
Cycle courteously BE TOLERANT Let another go first
Bake cookies for firefighters Give a compliment
Help a student make friends Assist an adult
Give a balloon away Lend a classmate a pencil
Celebrate something every day Encourage a friend
Respect others Walk a dog Do a favor
Forgive mistakes Smile at someone new

Stewardship & Giving

Offerings taken on February 5: General-\$6794; Benevolent-\$360; Building-\$0; Remnant Youth Groups-\$440; Village Northwest-\$100.

Special Offering for February is HS and MS Remnant Youth Groups

Attendance Last Sunday: 167

There is JOY in Serving Jesus!

	This Week: February 12	Next Week: February 19
Greeters:	E: Gary and Sandy De Vries C: Stan and Abby De Zeeuw W: Merlin and Karen Doorenbos	E: LaVon Dykstra C: Ron and Nancy Dykstra W: Scott and Marlys Dykstra
Nursery:	Pam Vande Hoef and Karissa Hulstein	Maureen and Amelia Hoekstra
C&W Leader	Leader: Deb Kusters	Leader: Deb Kusters
Library:	Jamie Hulstein	Jan Juffer
Coffee:	Clayton and Jodi Wagenaar	Duane and Pam Vande Hoef

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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