

**FEBRUARY 19, 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 - Mim Ernst**

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CALL TO WORSHIP--JOYFUL VOICES CHOIR**

**SONG: "REJOICE YE PURE IN HEART" #111**

**SONG: "YOU ARE MY KING" NEWSBOYS**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION / WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

**RESPONSE: "GLORIA PATRI" #620**

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

**SCRIPTURE: MARK 1:9-13**

**MESSAGE: ENTER THE WILDERNESS**

**PRAYER CONCERNS**

**CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER--JOSH LUCAS**

**SONG: "AMAZING GRACE" #299**

**BENEDICTION**

**CLOSING: "PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW"**

## Happening This Week

### 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**

### Monday, 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)

### Tuesday, February 21:

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

### Wednesday, February 22:

- **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 26:

- **9:00 am: Praise and Worship Service.** This morning Pastor Troy will share his message, "A Table in the Wilderness for Jesus" based on Matthew 4.
- **10:10 am: Coffee Fellowship**
- **10:10 am: Sunday School**
- **6:30pm: Fellowship Bible Studies**

## Mark Your Calendars

**March: FRC is in charge of BINGO at Country View Manor at 2:15 on Fridays.**

Please sign up on the information center to lend a hand.

**March 5: Communion Sunday**

**March 9: The Secretary's office will be closed.**

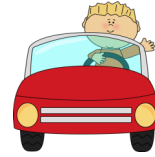
**March 12: Children's Choir will provide Special Music**

**March 13: 6:00 pm Elder / Deacon Meetings**

**7:00 pm Full Consistory will Meeting**



**FRC is in charge of BINGO** at Country View Manor for the Fridays in March beginning at 2:15pm. If you can lend a hand with this outreach opportunity please sign up on the Information Center today!!



**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.

**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.

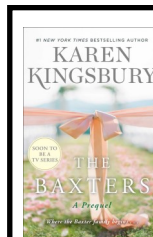


**Vacation Bible School will be held from Sunday, June 4th-Wednesday, June 7.**

Details and Registration will be out soon!!!



**Summer Camp 2023 registration is now open!** Register before April 15 to get the early bird discount. FRC will pay 1/2 the cost of registration for attendees. Canteen Cards etc are the parent's responsibility. If you would like to attend camp but cost are an issue, please contact the office for information on scholarship opportunities.



## Book of the Week:

**The Baxters**  
by Karen Kingsbury

## News you Need to Know

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

**The Career Fair is back!** There will be a career fair at the S-O HS Gym on Thursday, April 20 from 2-4 pm. The career fair is open to any businesses that are offering full-time, part-time, or seasonal jobs. This is a great way for students 9-12 grade to see what career and job choices are offered in Osceola County! To register your business please contact the Sibley Chamber 754-3212.

## Sermon Notes:

**SCRIPTURE:** MARK 1:9-13

**MESSAGE:** *ENTER THE WILDERNESS*



## 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:

- **All those who have had** illnesses and surgeries and/or deal with health issues.
- **Renae Groen** who is experiencing intense hip pain. She is scheduled to undergo hip surgery on March 16, however until that time she is having to deal with increasing pain. Please pray that she may find some relief from this pain soon.

## Words of Thanks

**Thank you to the friends** at the Wednesday night Bible Classes for the Valentines gift. It was a very nice surprise to find on my shelf outside my door at Heartwood Heights.

~~Trudy Dykstra

**Thank you to the Wednesday Night Bible Class** for remembering me on Valentines Day. It was special and awesome. Love you all for thinking of me.

~~Janelle Van Drunen

# 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 12:** General-\$7184; Benevolent-\$165; Building-\$0; Remnant Youth Groups-\$390;

**Special Offering for February is HS and MS Remnant Youth Groups**

**Attendance Last Sunday: 197**

## There is JOY in Serving Jesus!

	This Week: February 19	Next Week: February 26
<b>Greeters:</b>	E: LaVon Dykstra C: Ron and Nancy Dykstra W: Scott and Marlys Dykstra	E: Luella Eggink C: Jon and Amy Elser/family W: Anita Ernst
<b>Nursery:</b>	Maureen and Amelia Hoekstra	Sarah and Brynna Loerts
<b>C&amp;W Leader</b>	Leader: Deb Kusters	Leader: Deb Kusters
<b>Library:</b>	Jan Juffer	Jeannette Juffer
<b>Coffee:</b>	Duane and Pam Vande Hoef	Curt & Peg Van Kley



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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