



**MARCH 27, 2022**

We are delighted that you are here to worship with us today. Miss a service, want to watch a sermon again? Our services are also broadcast live on our YouTube Channel (Sibley First Reformed Church).

## *Glorify God With Worship!*

### **10:00 am Sunday Morning Praise & Worship Service**

**Prelude:** Ger Van Diepen

WELCOME: JAMIE HULSTEIN

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

LENTEN RESPONSIVE READING & CHOIR-- CROWN OF THORNS

**HYMN:** "WONDERFUL GRACE OF JESUS" #319

**HYMN:** "CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS" #3

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

CHILDREN & WORSHIP DISMISSED

**PRAISE SONG:** "HOW DEEP THE FATHER'S LOVE FOR US"

**SCRIPTURE:** Joshua 2:1-7, Joshua 6:24-25, Hebrews 11:31, James 2:25, Acts 6:8, Acts 7:55-58, 8:1 & 3, 9:10-17, 1Corinthians 15:9-11, Ephesians 3:7-8, Matthew 26:14-16, John 17:12, Mat 6:20, Revelation 20:12&15, Ephesians 2:8-10

**MESSAGE:** *THE FREE GIFT*

**PRAISE SONG:** "LOVE OF GOD" MERCY ME

**BENEDICTION**

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

# The Free Gift



## Happening This Week

### Sunday, March 27:

- **9:00 am Sunday School**
- **9:00 am Coffee Fellowship Time**
- **10:00 am Praise and Worship Service** This morning we welcome Pastor Lowell TenClay back to the pulpit as he shares his message "The Free Gift" with us.
- **Thank you to** Jamie Hulstein for leading us in the Lenten Reading this morning. Thank you also to the Joyful Voices Choir and Alexis Hulstein for leading us in the Lenten Hymn this morning. Thank you also to the 1st-5th grade students for your special music this morning.

### Tuesday, March 29:

- **8:30 am** Quilting Chicks

### Wednesday, March 30:

- **6:30 am Men's Lenten Breakfast here at FRC**
- **Bible Classes and Remnant Youth Groups will meet**
  - 6:30 pm:** Bible Classes for 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grades
  - 6:30 pm:** MS Remnant Youth Group will meet in the Youth Room
  - 7:30 pm:** HS Remnant Youth Group will meet in the Youth Room

### Sunday, April 3:

- **9:00 am Sunday School**
- **9:00 am Coffee Fellowship Time**
- **10:00 am Praise and Worship Service** This morning we welcome JJ TenClay to the pulpit as she shares her message "The Nails of Apathy Towards Those Seeking Refuge" based on Matthew 25:31-46. JJ currently is serving as the Refugees Ministry Coordinator for RCA Global Mission. JJ and her husband Tim are missionaries that our church supports.
- **Thank you to** Jan Henrichs for leading us in the Lenten Reading this morning. Thank you also to the Joyful Voices Choir for leading us in the Lenten Hymn this morning.

## Mark Your Calendars

- April 6:** 9:00am Mothers Together will meet
- April 14:** 6:30pm Maundy Thursday Service
- April 15:** 5pm, 7pm & 9pm Passion Play at the S-O High School Auditorium please see bulletin announcement for more information.
- April 16:** 8:00 am Sunrise Service  
9:00 am Fellowship Breakfast  
(No Children and Worship or Sunday School)  
10:00 am Easter Celebration Service



**We are in need of a 3rd and 4th grade Sunday School Teacher!!** Please contact Ron Dykstra if you are interested in helping.

**All men are invited to the Men's Lenten Breakfast here at FRC on Wednesday, March 30 at 6:30 am.** Come for a time of devotion, prayer and of course good food. A freewill offering will be received.



**From the Library—Two more NEW books have been added!!**

The first book is one for children titled **BIG BAD BIBLE BULLIES** by Scott Hagan. "God never intended for anyone to be a victim of a big, bad bully. Pastor Scott explains how to turn those brutal situations around by finding confidence and comfort in biblical stories and godly principles." Book #2 is **WAITING ON LOVE**. "Crisscrossing the Great Lakes on board her father's freighter ship, the *Mary Elise*, Elise Wright has grown up cooking and caring for the crew. It is a life she loves. Unlike her estranged sister, Elise has turned down numerous opportunities for a "respectable life" with their wealthy relatives. And now, because of promises she made to her dying mother, she's bound to the ship and her deeply grieving father."

**The S-O Choir Boosters invite you to the Palm Sunday Dad's Belgian Waffle Brunch from 10:30am-12:30pm at the Sibley Senior Center.** Tickets can be purchased ahead of time by contacting either Ginger Nobles (605-261-1929), Kelsey Burns (754-3601), or any High School Choir Member. Tickets are \$10 for Adults and \$5 for Children 5 and under. Tickets also available at the door.



**VBS at FRC is going to be MONUMENTAL!!!**  
**Mark your calendars!! VBS will take place from 5:30pm-8:30pm, Sunday, June 5 - Thursday, June 9**

**VBS Registration is Open!!!** Please go to the following link to register your student and to volunteer to help. <https://vbspro.events/p/events/56b7a0> . The link can also be accessed by scanning this QR code. If you have any questions, please contact Sarah Loerts.



## News you Need to Know

**Have you ever had a parent tell you** they don't know what to do with their child? Ever felt this way as a parent? If your answer is yes, then the S-O CSD and the OCMA invite you to attend a presentation by Chad Hayenga from Connected Families on **March 30 at the Christian Reformed Church from 6pm-8pm. Registration is required**, so please contact the Sibley-Ocheyedan Schools to get registered.

**SAVE the DATE:** NW Iowa Bible League's Spring Salad Luncheon is planned for May 2, at noon at the Sanborn Christian Reformed Church, Sanborn IA. Mark your calendar now.

**The OCMA Good Friday Passion Play** is returning to the Sibley-Ocheyedan High School Auditorium on Friday, April 15, 2022 at 5, 7 and 9 pm for the delayed 36<sup>th</sup> season! FREE Tickets are available by calling (712)754-2945 or by emailing [ocmapassionplay@gmail.com](mailto:ocmapassionplay@gmail.com). Churches and organizations may request tickets for an entire group, but please do not reserve more than you actually need. We hope to see you there! It has been too long since we have been able to prepare ourselves for Easter by remembering Good Friday.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!** After a two-year hiatus due to the pandemic, the OCMA Passion Play is back and volunteers are needed. **This means YOU!** It will take all of us to get back into the swing of things, so don't back out. Please give a few hours of your time to help bring back the annual Passion Play. If you want to work backstage, please contact Peg and Curt Van Kley (712.754.2945) if you want to be onstage, please contact Keith Zylstra (712.261.2378)

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### **2022 Passion Play Schedule:**

**Saturday, April 9 @ 8:00 AM** Setup at S-O School

*(Meet at the Sibley CRC church at 8:00 to load pickups and trailers.)*

**Sun, April 10 from 1:30-3:00 PM** Rehearsal (including children)

**Mon, April 11 from 7:00-9:00 PM** Rehearsal (no children)

**Tues, April 12 from 7:00-9:00 PM** Rehearsal (no children)

**Wed, April 13 from 7:00-10:00 PM** Full dress rehearsal, including children

**Fri, April 15 from 3:00 PM** Make-up for the entire cast

**Sat, April 16 @ 8:00 AM** Take down the sets

*Anyone who is not at practice on Sunday and/or Monday will not have their name included in the program this year due to an earlier print deadline with our generous printers. Also, we **NEED YOU** to be at practice if possible. We have new people this year, and we haven't practiced since 2019. Thanks!!!*

## Sermon Notes:

**SCRIPTURE:** Joshua 2:1-7, Joshua 6:24-25, Hebrews 11:31, James 2:25, Acts 6:8, Acts 7:55-58, 8:1 & 3, 9:10-17, 1Corinthians 15:9-11, Ephesians 3:7-8, Matthew 26:14-16, John 17:12, Mat 6:20, Revelation 20:12&15, Ephesians 2:8-10

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## In Our Prayers...



If you have a pastoral need, please contact Ken Loerts (712-720-0754) or your District Elder or Deacon. You may also contact the church office (754-2783) or Jamie's cell (260-7246) 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:** Richard Kruger, Larry and Alfreda Verdoorn, Ethel Jurgens and Geneva Wissink
- **Our nursing home residents:** Donna Sterler, Margaret Calsbeek, Marlys Brink, and Harold Schram.
- **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 had recent illnesses and/or surgeries.
- **All those** who have lost loved ones.
- **Our Pastoral Search Team** as they continue the search process.
- **Our Country and its Leaders.**
- **Kathy Verdoorn** who underwent foot surgery this past week. Pray for continued healing for her.



**It's Camp Registration Time!!** Check out the full brochure located in the Fellowship Hall. Registration opened February 1st. **Early Bird Discounts before April 15.** Remember FRC will pay half of your camp costs. (Canteen Cards are not included in the 1/2 payment)



## Faith In Action for March Nursing Home Items



This month, we are encouraging everyone - children through 90 year olds - to bring at least one item for the residents of our two local nursing homes. Sibley Rehab needs items for bingo prizes: Little Debbie or other individually wrapped snacks and candy bars. Country View needs items for their general store: jewelry, small knick-knacks, shaving cream, shampoo, lotion, toothpaste & brushes, hard candies, etc.



## Stewardship & Giving

**Offerings taken on March 20:** General-\$5661; Benevolent-\$65; Building-\$0; Bible League-\$50.

**Special Offering for March is Bible League**

**Special Offering for April will be for VBS expenses**

**Attendance Last Sunday: 185**

## There is JOY in Serving Jesus!

	<b>This Week: March 27</b>	<b>Next Week: April 3</b>
<b>Nursery:</b>	Open but unstaffed	Open but unstaffed
<b>Greeters:</b>	E: Dale and Karen Honken C: Loren and Deb Hulstein W: Papito and Kelsey Joseph/family	E: John and Jan Juffer C: Dave and Jessica McDyer/family W: Marlin and Kathy Runia
<b>C&amp;W Leader</b>	Deb Kosters	Jamie Hulstein
<b>Library:</b>	Leona Meendering	Janice Runia
<b>Coffee:</b>	Merlin & Karen Doorenbos	Harold and Mim Ernst



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Hours: Mon & Thurs. 8am -2 pm  
Office is closed on Tues, Wed & Fri

\*\*\***Announcements are due by Wed. noon.**  
\*\*\***Bulletins are available by the sanctuary doors and on the Information Center no earlier than Thursday at 2:00pm**