

Giving Up...

Our Lives Enemies

Control

Expectations

POPULARITY

Superiority Death



Welcome to Church!

MARCH 8, 2020

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

9:00 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 Bible Study meets on the West end of the Fellowship Hall
- Women's Bible Study "Grace Filled Marriage" meets 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:

"GIVING UP EXPECTATIONS"

SCRIPTURE:

Genesis 12:1-4a; John 3:1-17 PGs: 17 & 1649

Stewardship & Giving

Offerings for March 1, 2020: General Fund-\$5080; Benevolent Fund-\$90; Building Fund-\$218; Bible League-\$10; Village Northwest-\$100.

Attendance: 1st-176; 2nd-78.

Special Offering for March is Bible League.

Happening This Week

Sunday, March 8:

- 8:20 Joyful Voices Choir will meet
- Today we will continue our Lenten series, "Giving Up..." with the sermon topic "Giving up Expectations"
- 10:10 am Sunday School
- Please join us for rolls and coffee during the fellowship hour in honor of John Van Diepen's 80th Birthday!! Happy Birthday John!!

Monday, March 9:

- 6:00 pm Elder/Deacon Meetings
- 7:00 pm Full Consistory will meet
- 7:00 pm Monday Night Bible Study will meet

Tuesday, March 10:

- 8:30 am Chickadee Quilters
- 6:30 pm Classis Meeting at Hope Reformed Church in Spencer

Wednesday, March 11:

- 6:30 am Men's Lenten Breakfast at the Christian Reformed Church
- Bible Classes and Youth Groups will meet
 - 6:30-7:30 pm Bible Class for 1st—5th Grade
 - 6:30-7:30 pm MS Remnant Youth Group will meet in the Youth Room
 - 7:30-8:30 pm HS Remnant Youth Group will meet in the Youth Room

- 6:30 pm: Wednesday Night Small Group will meet at Pastor Luke's house

Sunday, March 15:

- 8:20 Joyful Voices Choir will meet
- Today we will continue our Lenten series, "Giving Up..." with the sermon topic "Giving up Superiority". Today we also welcome the Joyful Voices choir as they share their musical talent with us.
- 10:10 am Sunday School

Mark Your Calendars

- March 16: 9:00 am Faith Bible Study
3:00 pm Patience Bible Study
- March 18: 9:00 am Mothers Together will meet
- March 25: 6:30 am Men's Lenten Breakfast at the First Baptist Church

Go! And Serve Him

Opportunities and Events

It is time to clean out your closets!! The Chickadee Quilters are in need of blankets, mattress pads and bed spreads for their homeless quilts. Donations can be dropped off in the Fireside Room. Thanks!!



Save the dates: The 9th Annual FRC Father/Son, Grandpa/Grandson, "adopted sons", Fishing Trip will be held from August 6-8 at the Hidden Hill Lodge at Roslyn, SD. The approximate cost per person for the retreat will be \$150 which includes lodging and food. Enjoy fishing in beautiful NE South Dakota with many lakes nearby. Please see the signup sheet posted on the Information Center. If you have any questions, please contact Dan Heilman (712) 720-0362 or Chris Wynia 461-1523.

The High Schoolers are going to be selling Papa Murphy's Pizzas starting **Wednesday March 18th- Wednesday April 15th!** Order forms will be available March 18th! If you would like to purchase some delicious pizza please pick up an order form or talk to a high school student! Pick up for the pizza will be April 25th at 10:00 am! All money raised is going toward Rocky Mountain High this upcoming summer!

All gentlemen in the community are invited to enhance their Lenten experience by attending the Men's Lenten Breakfasts on:



March 11th at 6:30 am

At the Sibley Christian Reformed Church

March 25th at 6:30 am

At the First Baptist Church

April 8th

MEN'S PRAYER At the First Presbyterian Church
B R E A K F A S T

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!

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Opportunities and Events

The Food Bank of Iowa mobile pantry will be distributing food on Tuesday, **March 10th from 4-6 p.m.** at the Sibley Christian Reformed Church at 115 Maple Dr., Sibley. If you or anyone you know could use some help with food, please come. Please bring your own bags, baskets, or boxes to carry your food.

OPEN KITCHEN will be held at the Sibley United Methodist Church 700 11th Ave NE on **March 14 at 12:00pm**. Free lunch and ALL are welcomed!!! Menu for the day will be Runza, Fruit Cocktail and Lime Jello Poke Cake. Call 754-2624 with questions.

The monthly Fishes & Loaves Kitchen meal is being held in the Sibley First Presbyterian Church fellowship hall on **Saturday, March 21, at 6 p.m.**, games starting at 5 p.m. Soups, breads and pies will be served. There is no charge or freewill offering. All are invited.

Reminder to turn in your Veteran Memories: A while back an orange slip (veterans) and a pink slip (those left at home) were placed in your mailbox. If your veteran loved one has passed, we would still like to hear any stories from the family about the time they served. All memories are precious and we will do our best to include everyone who responds. If you need either the orange or pink slips please contact the office. Remember photos would be appreciated and they will be returned! Thanks!!

Sermon Notes:

Grow! In His Word

MESSAGE:

"GIVING UP EXPECTATIONS"

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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 remember all those who are dealing with health issues.

Please remember Ruth Dagel and her health struggles.

Please lift **Lavon Dykstra** up in your prayers as she recovers from surgery that she underwent this past week.

We are lifting prayers of praise for **Ray Schram**. Ray was able to return home from the hospital! He still needs continued prayers to get stronger so Ray and Ellen they can make their trip back to Iowa at the end of the month. Praise God for his answer to prayers!!

Please keep those who are attending **Crusillo** this weekend in your prayers: Maureen Heilman and Vanessa Odens are attending as candidates and Jodi Wagenaar is participating in a leadership role. Pray that they may experience a God filled weekend.

With Sympathy

Our sympathies are extended to **Roberta Aeikens** and family in the passing of Dale on Sunday, March 1. Services were held here at FRC this past Thursday. Please keep this family in your prayers as they mourn their loss.

Words of Thanks

Thank you to everyone who came out to support our youth during the Soup and Pie supper. Thanks to you, we were able to take in around \$3900 before expenses and served over 351 people!

There is JOY in Serving Jesus!

	This Week: March 8	Next Week: March 15
Cornerstone Greeters:	W: Ger & Barb Van Diepen M: John & Lois Van Diepen E: Keith & Janelle Van Drunen	W: Jim & Pauline Van Engen M: Joel & Angie Van Gelder/family E: Barb Van Hattem & Faye Vos
After Church Greeters:	E: Josh Lucas C: Lawrence Wiersma W: John Bartels BE: Marcus De Boer BW: Pastor Luke	E: Pastor Luke C: Josh Lucas W: Stan De Zeeuw BE: Ron Dykstra BW: Harold Ernst
Prayer with the Elders:	Cornerstone: Dick Oldenkamp Open Door: Stan De Zeeuw	Cornerstone: Bill Hartzell Open Door: Ken Heronimus
Children and Worship:	Children and Worship 9:00 am: Deb Kusters Helper: Leona Meendering 11:00 am: Elesson Joseph Helper: Brianna Jacobsma	Children and Worship 9:00 am: Karen Honken Helper: Family of Addison Hulstein 11:00 am: Karen Honken Helper: Leona Meendering
Nursery:	9:30 am: Gina & Alyssa Jacobsma Sunday School: Leona Meendering 11:00 am: Angie Ackerman & Karen Honken	9:30 am: Jennifer & Ella Bruxvoort Sunday School: Tami Tracy 11:00 am: Amy Dykstra & Chrissy Ackerman
Library:	Leona Meendering	LaVonne Prins
Coffee:	John & Lois Van Diepen	Roger & Carol Iedema



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