

# THE STORY

READ THE STORY. EXPERIENCE THE BIBLE.



From Shepherd to King



***Welcome to Church!***

**SEPTEMBER 13, 2020**

We are delighted that you are here to worship with us today. We strive to be a warm, welcoming place for you to glorify God. Remember, we will continue to broadcast each service via Facebook live and later on our church website: [sibleyfrc.org](http://sibleyfrc.org). Whatever way you choose to worship with us today, we pray it will be a blessing to you.

***Glorify! God With Worship***

**9:00am Traditional Service**

- Children and Worship will resume September 13, 2020 only during the 9:00 service.

**10:10-10:50 am**

**Sunday School & Coffee Fellowship**

- Sunday School 4yrs-12th Grade will resume in
- Coffee Fellowship in the Fellowship Hall

**11:00 am Open Door Service**

***Grow! In His Word***

**SCRIPTURE:**

1 Samuel 16 - II Samuel 1- 9; especially  
(ESPECIALLY I Samuel 17:29-37)

**MESSAGE:**

**"FROM SHEPHERD TO KING"**

***Stewardship & Giving***

**Offerings for September 6, 2020:** General Fund-\$7463; Benevolent Fund-\$225; Building Fund-\$0; Talking Bibles-\$125. Attendance: 1st-73 2nd-47.  
**Special offering for September is Talking Bibles.**

## Happening This Week

### Sunday, September 13:

- Today we continue our series based on *The Story* with today's topic "From Shepherd to King." Please see *The Story* announcement in this week's bulletin to help you prepare for next week's sermon. Today we have the privilege of distributing Bibles to our 1st, 5th and 9-12th Grades.
- **10:10 am Sunday School resumes** for grades Preschool-12th Grade. Preschool/PreK will meet in their Sunday School room downstairs, K-6th will meet at the parsonage backyard (bring your Bible and a towel to sit on), Middle School (7th & 8th) will meet in the Fireside Room, and High School will meet in the Youth Room.

### Monday, September 14:

- **6:00 pm Elder / Deacon Meetings**
- **7:00 pm Full Consistory will meet**
- **7:00 pm Women's Monday Night Bible Study** will meet in the Library.

### Wednesday, September 16:

- **6:30 pm "The Story" Bible Study** will be held at Pastor Luke and Chris' house. Please read "From Shepherd to King" in the book. See you then!
- **Bible Classes and Youth Group**  
**6:30 pm 1st-5th Grade Bible Classes at home.** Packets are available by the sanctuary doors.  
**6:30 pm MS Remnant will meet in the Youth Room**  
**7:30 pm HS Remnant will meet in the Youth Room**

### Sunday, September 20:

- Today we continue of series on *The Story* with today's topic "The Trials of a King." Please see *The Story* announcement in this week's bulletin to help you prepare for next week's sermon.
- **10:10 am Sunday School**

## Mark Your Calendars

**September 20:** Deadline to have Deacon nomination ballots returned to church. **If you plan to mail your nominations, they must be received by Saturday, September 19.**

**September 23:** No Soup & Pie Supper...please see announcement for more information.

## Reverse Soup Supper



Due to the cancelling of this year's Soup and Pie Supper, that would have supported our RCA Missionaries, we are going to try something new.

**Introducing the Reverse Soup Supper!!  
Let's bless someone else with a bowl of hot soup!!**

**How This Works:** We are asking that you please take the envelope you find in today's bulletin or on the table in the back and place your donation for missions in it.

When you bring your monetary donation back to church we are also asking that you bring a can or cans of soup back as well.

After September 27th, we will collect all the cans of soup that have been donated and deliver them to the Local Food Pantry so someone else can be blessed by a bowl of hot soup on the cold days to come.

### **For the month of September our education program will be as follows:**

- **Wednesday night Bible Class** For the month of September, lessons will be in a take home packet. We are asking parents to do the lessons with your children at home. Packets will be available for **pickup in the Narthex. There will not be Wednesday Night Bible Classes held in the Church building.**
- **Sunday School for Pre-K through High School** will begin September 13. Sunday School will be held outdoors, weather permitting, in Pastor Luke's backyard. We are asking students to bring a towel to sit on and their Bible to class each week. Parents are encouraged to join their students in this new adventure.

## Opportunities to Serve

While we have had good, capable people serve by running sound, video, and computer during our worship services, we are in need of building that team with a few more to help out. If you have an interest, ability, gifts or might be interested in serving by helping with sound, video, or computer during the worship services here at First Sibley, we ask you to prayerfully consider that way of helping us in worship. For more information, please contact the church office, or a member of the worship ministry.

**The Education year has started!!** Please see the bulletin announcement for more details. Right now, we are in need of Sunday **School Teachers** for the following grades: Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2nd (Combined Class) & 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> (Combined Class)

\*\*Call Diane Langstraat for details and to sign up to teach. Your involvement is greatly appreciated!!

**Youth Sponsors Needed!** If you have a heart for youth and are looking for a fun, exciting and inspiring way to use your talents we have the job for you! The Middle School and High School Remnant youth are looking for a few good people to join their sponsor teams. If you would like to sign up or simply want more information, please contact Josh for all the details.

**The FRC Congregational Care Team** has reactivated our “meal sharing” ministry for our members who have had surgery or hospitalization, birth of a baby, etc. We are utilizing the “SignUp Genius” online program. If you would like to be on the list to provide a meal, please send your email to LaDonn Hartzell. [lhartz124@gmail.com](mailto:lhartz124@gmail.com) or 605.759.8379. When there is a need, emails are sent out to everyone & you sign up for the day that works for you. Thanks!

## News you Need to Know

**It's that time of year again.** Time to nominate individuals to serve on the First Reformed Consistory. Being it is an even numbered year (2020), we will be nominating Deacons first. Deacon Nomination Ballots along with a list of eligible names have been mailed to you. You should either have received these items in the mail already or will in the next couple days. Please prayerfully consider your nominations. **ALL NOMINATION BALLOTS MUST BE RETURNED TO THE CHURCH NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 20.** They can be dropped off the week prior to the 20th or bring them with you on the 20th so they can be collected in the back of church. As soon as we have a Deacon Slate we will be mailing out the Elder nomination ballots. If you have any question please contact an Elder or Pastor Luke.

## Go! Be The Light Of Jesus



This time of year is usually the best time to shop for school supplies to put in your **Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes!** Pick up crayons, pencils, pens, scissors, notebooks and solar calculators while they are on sale!

**The Hands and Feet opportunity for the Month of September are items for ATLAS.** Items needed most are: 24lb and 20lb copy paper, single serve chips/snacks, bottled water, hand sanitizer, pop. Individual liquid coffee creamers, individual sugar & Sweet-N-Low packets, Canon #240 & #241 ink, Hershey's Kisses, 13 gal trash bags, 30 gal trash bags, Grocery/Gas cards, AA batteries, disposable masks. Donations can be dropped off by the church offices. Thanks!



**On September 23rd** (rain date Sept 30) we will be putting on a Fall Caroling event. We plan to start at 6:30 pm. Meet at the church parking lot (east side) and you will be divided into a group to sing for some of our members in the community. All abilities are welcome!

## Community Happenings & Events

**From the Chickadee Quilters:** We are looking for willing hands to come join us on Tuesday mornings to help sew quilts. Don't sew?? That's fine, we have many other steps that can use your help! If you are interested please call Donna Sterler for more information. We also want to say thank you for the huge outpouring of fabric and materials for our quilts. At this time we have all the materials we need for a while.

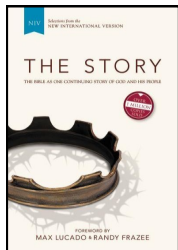


**St. Andrew's Catholic Daughters are offering** “Pray for our Country” signs. These attractive signs measure 24” X 18” and they are asking for a donation of \$20 per sign. If you are interested in purchasing this two-sided prayer sign please contact: Lila Hatting – 712-461-1684 or Bonnie Gregg 712-754-4812 to place an order, or with any questions. Our country is in need of prayer, and these reminders will, hopefully, encourage that.

## Sermon Notes:

**SCRIPTURE: 1 SAMUEL 1-15 (ESPECIALLY 1 SAMUEL 17:29-37)**

**MESSAGE: "STANDING TALL - FALLING HARD"**



Suggested Readings  
to prepare for *The Story*  
Sermon Series:

9/13	1 Samuel 16 - II Samuel 1-9; especially I Samuel 17:29-37
9/20	II Samuel 10-24; and especially Psalm 51
9/27	I Kings 1 – 11; especially 1 Kings 1:28-31, 1 Kings 4:29-34

## In Our Prayers



If you have a pastoral need, please call Pastor Luke (920-889-3911), any member of Consistory 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, Marlys Brink, 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

**Continue to lift up** Rhonda Henrichs and her family as Rhonda deals with cancer. Pray for strength and healing for her.

**Please continue to lift all those who have undergone recent surgeries.** Pray for healing and strength for them.

**Please also remember all those who have had recent illnesses.** Pray for health to be restored to them.

**Please continue to lift** Ken Huls and Mike Block up in your prayers as they recover from their injuries sustained in recent accidents.

### Words of Thanks

**Thank you to** Dan Heilman, Scott Hulstein, Rod Hulstein and Josh Lucas for helping move the furniture out of my home on Sept 4. I so appreciated all your hard work!  
~~Marlys Brink

## There is JOY in Serving Jesus!

	<b>This Week: September 13</b>	<b>Next Week: September 20</b>
<b>Nursery:</b>	The Nursery is open but is unstaffed. Parents please feel free to use the nursery as you may need.	The Nursery is open but is unstaffed. Parents please feel free to use the nursery as you may need.
<b>Library:</b>	Jane Buysman	Marilynn De Boer
<b>Coffee:</b>	Ger and Barb Van Diepen	Leona Meendering & Joanne Klaassen



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