#### **B-Dawg's Buzz by Brenda Post, Secretary**

Of course, there are many blessings here at church. I am blessed each day at my job. Seriously, each day. Through an email, a phone conversation or from someone stopping in, I know that I am appreciated here and liked. What a blessing! Thank you for making me feel so good at doing something that I love. I am blessed by Pastor Luke. He is a great person to work for, a wonderful person in general and a friend.

Oh but I struggle. I think we all do. It is so easy to stop seeing what we have and focus on what we don't. So easy to fall into the trap of "woe is me." So easy to think that the world and all those who inhabit it are out for some sort of revenge. It's easy to be bitter, to be angry. Why is it so hard to see the many blessings in our lives? Do we stop to count them?

There is always something that can be dealt with one of two ways, with dignity or with malice. I will tell Ethan (and now the kids) is this something big? Is it life changing? Did someone get cancer? Someone die? No? Then let's stop and put it into perspective. If this "whatever" isn't going to matter in the big scheme of things, then do we need to get mad, angry, and lose sleep over it? Where can we find the blessing in the problem? Our kids are watching us, looking to us as to how we handle what life throws our way. Are we showing them grace and mercy? Are we showing them love? I am not telling you that I live this way every day. I may try, but I will fail. We all do. But, maybe the next time we get into those foul moods and we want to lash out, maybe the next time we can stop and count our many blessings.

#### "Count Your Many Blessings"

1) When upon life's billows you are tempest tossed, When you are discouraged, thinking all is lost, Count your many blessings name them one by one, It will surprise you what the Lord hath done.

Count your blessings, name them one by one; Count your blessings, see what God hath done; Count your blessings, name them one by one, And it will surprise you what the Lord hath done.

2) Are you ever burdened with a load of care? Does the cross seem heavy you are called to bear? Count your many blessings, every doubt will fly, And you will be singing as the days go by.

4) So amid the conflict, whether great or small, Do not be discouraged, God is over all; Count your many blessings, angels will attend, Help and comfort give you to your journey's end.

#### Merry Christmas everyone!

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 <u>Rejoice always</u>, <u>pray without ceasing</u>, <u>give thanks in all circumstances</u>; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

# The Newsletter

# Words from Pastor Luke

December 2016 First Reformed Church

**Glorify** God in all we do, **Grow** with Him daily and **Go** with Him to share His love.

Thirty-five years ago, on Thanksgiving Day, my grandmother passed away. Since that time every year my dad his three brothers and his sister have brought their families together to remember my grandmother and grandfather's lives as well as celebrate thanksgiving with family.

I was a sophomore in high school when this tradition first began. Over the years we have spent 24 hours having a big meal, playing games, bowling, having volleyball matches, playing cards till two in the morning and other fun activities. We always finish our time together having pizza at a favorite pizza place on a Saturday evening.

It is fun to see the changes in our families and we look forward to that once a year time with the Schouten's as we gather together. From my grandpa and grandma to five siblings to now a family of over 80 people it has been amazing. This year as we gathered with uncles and aunts, cousins and spouses, children of those cousins and their spouses and this year for the first time, a great-great grandchild of my grandpa and grandma Schouten, we gathered to thank God..

As we being our time together we stand in a big circle sort of like Whoville in the Grinch that Stole Christmas and sing. Every year it is the same song. We sing "The Doxology". Praise God from whom all blessing flow It is a special moment. It is in that song that I am reminded of the blessing of our family. God is at the center. When I look at my uncles and aunts, when I look at my cousins, our faith has been the central point of all we do.

When my grandmother died on Thanksgiving it seemed to be so sudden and tragic. But today I am reminded of God's bigger plan. It was a plan that would create years of memories that would have never happen had she passed away on any other day. My cousin made a comment this year about wondering what my grandparents would think of all of us, and what they started. I often think how proud they would be of the fact that God is still the center point of our gatherings.

As we enter December, I am reminded of a special event that brings us together every year as the family of God. It is the birth of Jesus Christ. It was in his birth and then ultimately in his death that we remember how it all began. Because of God's love for us a savior was sent. For thousand's of years we have celebrated this day and take the time to reflect.

God's plan was the perfect plan. And as we sing "Praise God from whom all blessing flow.....," we can thank God for his perfect plan. A child born in a manger coming into this world as humble servant, suffering and dying on a cross, conquering death and rising from the grave so that our sin might be taken away. All so we could be in an intimate relationship with God and have a family where you and I can call each other a brother or sister in Christ.

Chris and myself what to thank you for all your love and support in this past year and look forward to growing as a family in the coming year. Enjoy your Christmas and my you keep God as the center point of this holiday season.

With Love, Pastor Luke and Chris

#### From Sayuri and Abraham Kist-Okazaki

#### Dear Friends,

If you have ever been to a tulip festival in any one of the quaint Dutch towns in the Midwest, you might have an inkling of what the town of Tomioka once was before it became a ghost town five years ago when the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Plant in the town which boarders their north was crippled in the aftermath of the March 11, 2011 earthquake and tsunami. In early spring the Cherry Blossom Street in the center of town was where folks from near and far would gather to watch locals dressed in traditional costumes dance in the parade under the canopy of blossoms in full bloom. Now the street has become the dividing line in which the Government has determined that the radiation levels on left side of the road are so dangerous that people will not be allowed to enter for thirty years and meanwhile on the right side it is safe enough that people can return to live next spring.

Last week Sayuri and I led a group from congregations in Tokyo for their fifth annual visit to Fukushima to listen to the stories of those whose lives have been impacted by tragedy and to worship and fellowship with congregations on the edge of the "safe" district. We felt more than ever a deep gratitude for your continued support. With all eyes in Japan focused on the 2020 Tokyo Olympics, the plight of the people of Fukushima has faded into the background. The decontamination efforts by the government to date have filled over ten million one-ton bags of radioactive waste, which will begin to leach out contamination in three years. Many of these bags are piled up in mountains on the seashore and some have been dragged out to sea during the seasonal typhoons.

Amidst all the uncertainty and anxiety, the congregations we visited in Fukushima have been a beacon of hope to their communities. They have provided them with both spiritual and physical help whether that be an open ear to listen, or a machine in the church to measure the radioactivity in their food or clothes. I was particularly moved to hear the story of man who has been struggling to let go of a farm that has been in his family for many generations describe the solace he felt in his first experience of Christian worship.

For the past five years, the Reformed Church in America has been steadfast in its financial assistance toward the disaster relief efforts in Japan, just as our supporting congregations have been faithful in their support of Sayuri and me in our ministry here for the past two decades. You have truly been a source of hope to people in despair.

Yours in Christ,

Sayuri and Abraham Kist-Okazaki

#### **B-Dawg's Buzz by Brenda Post, Secretary**

When I look back on 2016, I can look at it two ways; one of many hardships or one of many blessings. And that is not to say that the year can't have both, because life is all about the highs and lows; the good and bad. For me, there has been plenty of bad. I could choose to focus on the "ick" or focus on the positives. We all have that choice; some of us are better at it than others.

My son is being interviewed for jobs already even though graduation isn't until May of 2017. He is going to be in the working world, and he is excited and nervous about this next step in his life. I am so proud of him....I never could have envisioned this when he was a baby. I am so honored to know the man he is and the man he is becoming. He is a blessing to me, and my heart just bursts with it.

My kids with Mark are blessings times two. I have been helping raise these two for 15 months now, and I can see the progress they are making and continue to make. These two haven't had the easiest time so far in life, and yet, they are so full of love freely given to me. Can you imagine what this is like? They didn't have to even like me, and here they are each and every week giving me the love of a child that I do not deserve. Oh how I wish adults could have that blind faith and love in other humans. Both kids are doing great in school, and have really settled in to this new "family" life Mark and I try to provide. We all keep stumbling along and ahead, but we are doing it to the best of our abilities.

Mark is one of my longest blessings. We have been in some sort of a relationship for 30 years now, and I love him more each year. He is my best friend, my confidant, my support and partner. I don't know how or why I got so lucky. What we have just works for us.

Rhonda and Clint just lost George, their husband and father. As someone looking in from the outside, I can see the blessings coming from this tragedy. First off, I have never been more proud of my sister. She has handled this with grace and dignity. I pray that she continues to have the strength to keep going and rising above, not just for Clint but for herself. She has shown me her inner beauty in this situation, and I am so humbled and honored by her. There is such a long way to go, so much healing to do. Already I see changes in her. She is getting a relationship with my mom that she has desired for years. This could be a huge blessing to both of them. I don't know where the future will lead, but I believe that we will be made stronger somehow, someway. And my little Clint now gets to be blessed with not one, not two but three moms looking after him.

My mom, of course is a blessing. The woman who is always there for us no matter what. She is a great woman and friend. She holds this little family together and unites us. She has been a pillar of strength for my sister right now and has shown us her devotion to this family.

#### Special Elders Meeting November 29, 2016

#### 7:30 pm

Present: Ken Loerts, Stan Gaalswyk, Ron Dykstra, Heath De Jong, Marcus De Boer, Henry Fisher. Special Guests: Dale Honken, Duane Vande Hoef and Lawrence Wiersma

236. Pastor Luke opened with prayer.

237. MMSC to accept the "what Do We Believe About Marriage" statements in our church policy concerning weddings at First Reformed Church.

238. MMSC to use our facility for a special East Sioux Classis meeting on January 31, 2017 at 7 pm.

239. Time was spent in discussion concerning the responsibilities of the Board of Elders.

240. MMSC to approve minutes.

MMSC to adjourn following prayer by Pastor Luke.

#### For Your Information:

The following is a Year –to-date summary of the 2016 budget:

	Budgeted:	YTD offerings:	% of budget:
General Fund:	292,602.00	255,229.78	88%
Benevolent Fund:	\$92,898.00	66,594.69	72%
<b>Building Fund:</b>	59,700.00	4,112.80	7%

On behalf of the Deacons, we would like to thank First Reformed for their generous giving on Thanksgiving and throughout the year. We are blessed by this Congregation over and over again. Thank you again FRC.

#### Sayuri's ministry

Sayuri Kist-Okazaki is an ordained RCA pastor who is working with National Church Women's Guild as one of the executive members to empower women who serve churches faithfully. Abraham and Sayuri are also working as associate pastors at Kugahara Church for local mission as well as being called by many churches and regional gatherings to preach nationwide for evange-lism and leadership training. Together they train and teach churches so they can more effectively reach non-Christians, who make up 99 percent of Japan's population. Learn more atwww.rca.org/kist-okazaki

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#### Greeters for December, 9 am

- Dec. 4 West-Lana Hibma/family Middle-Cole and Kayla Hoekstra/family East-Dale and Karen Honken
- 11 West-Loren and Deb Hulstein Middle-Mark Hulstein and Lyle Peelen East-Jo Hielkema and Kay Jansen
- 18 West-Michael and Chelsea Hulstein/family Middle-Rod and Beth Hulstein East-Scott and Jamie Hulstein/family
- 24 West-Mike and Mary Hustoft Middle-Jason and Gina Jacobsma/family East-Kelly and Rochelle Jacobsma/family

# Nursery for December **9:00 am**

**Dec. 4:** Laurel and Natalie Klaassen 11: Gina and Jaden Jacobsma 18: Brenda Michelson and Linda Mehls 24: Jenna Ver Steeg and Chelsey Town

# Nursery for December **11:00**

Dec 4 Melissa Anderson and Melissa Langstraat

- 11: Sarah Loerts and Megan Loerts
- 18: Marvella and Britta Harberts

All the Christmas presents in the world are worth nothing without the presence of Christ. ~David Jeremiah



# Nativity

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### From the Library



Have you been in the library lately? You never know when new books are added. WAVES OF MERCY by Lynn Austin is one of them.

For those who like mystery and action look for FATAL FROST by Nancy Mehl and TANGLED WEBS by Irene Hannon.

There is a new series by Lauraine Snelling: TO EVERYTHING THERE IS A SEASON, A HARVEST OF HOPE, \*STREAMS OF MERCY and \*FROM THIS DAY FORWARD; taking place in North Dakota's Red River Valley. \*The last two books are in large print.

Remember, we will be glad to consider suggestion. So if you have a favorite author or title, let us know.

Jeannette Juffer and Alfreda Verdoorn

**Christmas is a party.** Specifically, it's a birthday party – for Jesus – and birthdays are meant to be celebrated. It's why we say "Merry Christmas!"

Ironically, at most Christmas parties the person whose birthday we're supposed to be celebrating is completely ignored. He's never even mentioned. Although Jesus is the reason for the season, he's often overlooked or merely mentioned along with Rudolph, Frosty the Snowman, Santa Claus, the Grinch, elves, and a long list of celebrated fictional characters.

Preparing for Christmas can be a lot of work, especially for moms. With the pressure of buying gifts, sending greeting cards, decorating our homes, putting up lights, cooking, attending parties, and cleaning up afterward, we have little time to actually enjoy the meaning of Christmas.

The first purpose of Christmas is celebration! We learn this from the angel's opening statement to the shepherds of Bethlehem. God had wonderful news for us that would cause us all to rejoice, celebrate, and throw a party: "I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people." Luke 2:10 (NIV)

The good news of Christmas is worth celebrating for three reasons. It is personal: "I bring YOU." It is positive: "GOOD news of great joy." And it is universal: "for ALL the people." It doesn't matter who you are, what you've done, where you've been, or where you're headed — this news is for you.

Christmas is a time to celebrate that God loves you!

The most famous statement in the Bible is Jesus' explanation of why God sent him to earth: "God loved the world so much that he gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life."

The entire reason for Christmas is the love of God. God loves you so much that he came to earth as a human so you could get to know him and learn to trust him and love him back. Theologians call this the Incarnation. God became one of us, a human being, so we could understand what he is really like. ~Rick Warren

#### Coffee Servers December



# **Coffee With the Pastor**

Come join us on Wednesday, November 2nd at 9 am to have coffee with the pastor. Both Pastor Luke (and Brenda) would love to see you!!

## Library Volunteers

December 4-Jill Leusink December 11-Leona Meendering December 18-LaVonne Prins December 25-Jeannette Juffer Dec 4 Lana Hibma and Sandy Lamfers

Sunday School Nursery

- 11 Jill Leusink and Megan Loerts
- 18 Tami Tracy and Peg Van Kley
- 25 Merry Christmas

# Women's Bible Studies

**Faith Bible Study** will meet on **Monday**, **December 19 at 11am** in the parking lot at FRC. From there, we will carpool to Sheldon and have a salad luncheon at Helen Vander Veen's new home. Remember to bring your salad along!

**Patience Bible Study** will meet at **12 noon on Monday, Dec. 19** at Barb Van Diepen's home for a Christmas salad luncheon.

## After Church Greeters for December

4 SE: Bill Hartzell	18 SE: Pastor Luke
C: Dale Honken	C: Lyle Peelen
SW: Dan Janssen	SW: Larry Riebeling
BE: Corky Koerselman	BE: Cal Runia
BW: Pastor Luke	BW: Bob Tiedeman
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# **December Faith In Action:**

**Faith in action for the month of December is:** Sharing Christmas Families. Our Church has adopted 4 larger families for the Sharing Christmas Program sponsored by Upper Des Moines. We are asking FRC members to help make Christmas special for a family that is less fortunate. All you need to do is check out the list of "needs" the families have submitted on the north wall of the Fellowship Hall. If there is something on the list that you can furnish for a needy family, place a check mark on the line next to it (that way we do not buy duplicates). Bring your WRAPPED purchases to church and place it in the box designated for that family. *ALL items must to be in church by December 18th.* Thank you in advance for your help. Let's help make a special Christmas for others!

## Willing Hands Group



Willing Hands Group #6 will be responsible for services during the month of December. Co-chairpersons are Luella and Harold Eggink, Jan and John Juffer and Darcy and Frank Martinez.

*The giving of gifts is not something man invented. God started the giving spree when he gave a gift beyond words, the unspeakable gift of His Son. ~Robert Flatt* 

#### Sportsmen's Devotional

#### Bible Study Verse: Jeremiah 16:16

"Behold, I will send for many fishermen," says the LORD, "and they shall fish them; and afterward I will send for many hunters, and they shall hunt them from every mountain and every hill, and out of the holes of the rocks." (NIV)

#### Thoughts

I can see the outline of the trees in my yard with the sun slowly rising behind it. The start of a new day, and today, the start of a new year.

All the adventures we had last year are memories that will hopefully add to the building blocks that will make us even more successful in the endeavors that we all continue to pursue. And for that and so much more we are thankful.

The year ahead will no doubt have its challenges, its successes, and its disappointments. In all of them, God is there. He always is. No matter where we fish or where we hunt, we must all remember what God truly wants us to harvest. (Jim C)

#### **Action Point**

Hopefully at some point this year, we will all have the opportunity to tell someone about God and what he has done for us.

It may surprise you when the opportunity arises. It could happen during a fishing trip, while walking a field for pheasant or while waiting in a duck blind, but for a lot of us, it will happen.

When it does, God will give us the courage and words to make us all fishers and hunters of men.

#### Sportsmen's Tip of the Day

Before going on any outing, visualization can be a major key to success. Visualize yourself catching a big fish or making the perfect shot. By doing this you are showing your conscious mind what to expect. When the time comes, more often than not, your subconscious will take over and you will receive the desired result.

# December Birthdays

- 1 Jack Hurd Marlys Dykstra
- 2 Trudy Dykstra Barb Fisher Brent Wassman Roger Lindberg Michael Block Jr.
- 3 Jamiey Daiker
- 4 Beth Hulstein
- 6 Marcia Van Ruler Harold Eggink Reka Post
- 8 Amelia Hoekstra
- 9 Jessica Ackerman Laurel Klaassen
- 10 Maggie Dykstra

- 11 Clint Henrichs Zoe Ackerman
  12 Wendy De Jong
  13 Jesse Kruger Meggan Block Jeremy Leusink
- 15 Marlys Pietz Richard Kruger Ella Bruxvoort
- 17 Merlin Doorenbos Chrissy Ackerman Brynna Loerts
- 19 Curt Van Kley Sarah Loerts
- 20 JoAnn Calsbeek Kay Jansen Jodene Kruse
- 21 Mike Hustoft Dave Stofferan Alfreda Verdoorn

22 Gert Gaalswyk Michelle Fox
23 Jessica Mehls
24 Glenn Doorenbos
28 Don Schram
30 Natalie Leusink
31 Deb Hulstein



#### Christmas Time may not be joyful for some. One possible influence,

Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD), is a form of depression the medical community doesn't completely understand. The Mayo Clinic says genetics, age and body chemistry could be the culprits. Mayo recommends seeing your doctor if you feel down for days and have motivation problems. Symptoms can include changing sleep patterns and appetite, feeling hopeless, contemplating suicide, or seeking comfort in alcohol.

**Coping:** How can you cope with Christmas loneliness? **Some suggestions:** 

1. Spend time with people, especially positive ones who lift your spirits. Perhaps you'll be grateful for their cheer.

2. Exercise regularly. Blood pumping can help clear your mind.

3. Eat right. Chocaholics beware. Overindulgence can mean temporary highs followed by disappointing flab.

4. Lights on! Enjoy sunlight, outdoors if possible. Brighten up your home and workplace. Light therapy sometimes helps SAD.

5. Budget your gift spending and stick with your budget. Prevent January bill shock.

6. Talk about your feelings. Keeping them bottled up can mean anxiety, ulcers, sour disposition, and/or explosion. Need a trusted, listening friend? Try a local church.

7. Give to others. Volunteer. Medical professor Stephen Post, PhD, is convinced that giving is essential for optimum physical and mental health in our fragmented society. He says some California physicians give volunteerism "prescriptions" to their Medicare patients.

8. Seek counsel. I used to be embarrassed to obtain professional counsel. Now I recommend it. We all can use good advice navigating life's storms.

9. Develop spiritual roots. I'm glad that before my dark days began, I had a friendship with God.

Tired of friends who betray, manipulate, disrespect, or desert you? God won't. He cares for you, values you, will listen to you and comfort you. You can trust Him. He always wants your best. One early believer put it this way: "Since God did not spare even his own Son but gave him up for us all, won't God, who gave us Christ, also give us everything else?"6 His point: God loved us enough to send Jesus, his only Son, to die on the cross to pay the penalty for our wrong, our sins. What a demonstration of love! I can trust a God like that.

# December Anniversaries

16 Mike and Michelle Fox-27 years
18 Rod and Beth Hulstein-44 years
18 Mike and Andrea Block-24 years
19 Elesson and Kelsey Joseph 1 year
22 Dean and Michelle Ackerman-32 years
24 Jay and Karen Ten Napel-28 years
28 John and Faye Vos-52 years

If you would like to be included in our Birthday and Anniversary Calendar and do not see your name, please contact the office (sibleyfrcoffice@gmail.com or 754-2783) and let us know your dates! We would love to recognize YOU on your special day! Thanks



# December 2016

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