

FIRST REFORMED CHURCH

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

**February 21 A.D. 2021
9:30 A.M.**

Pastor: David Landegent

Organist: Joyce Post

Keyboard: Dori Ohm

You are encouraged to maintain a 6-foot distance from one another when entering, exiting AND choosing a place to sit.

If you feel more comfortable sitting in the fellowship hall, you are welcome to do so.

EXTRA SAFETY ZONE: Masks are required in the first five pews on the south side (organ side).

In general, masks are STRONGLY encouraged, but not required in the building.

CALL TO WORSHIP

OUR APPROACH TO GOD

HYMN: 182 – *More About Jesus*

* HYMN: 358 - *'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus*

* PRAYER

RESPONSIVE READING 630: *God the Creator*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

* HYMN: 88 – *Come Thou Almighty King*

SCRIPTURE: John 1:1-5 p. 1645

SERMON: *When Life is Chaos*

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

* HYMN: *Powerful Words of Life*

*In creating, the Lord did speak powerful words of life
“Let there be” and it came to be – powerful words of life.
All things made from nothing; chaos turned to something
Miracle words, powerful words, powerful words of life
Miracle words, powerful words, powerful words of life.*

*By the Spirit the prophets wrote powerful words of life.
Preaching judgment and songs of hope – powerful words of life
It's our greatest treasure, it will last forever.
Miracle words, powerful words, powerful words of life;
Miracle words, powerful words, powerful words of life.*

*In the fullness of time He came, Jesus the Word of Life.
With authority He proclaimed; He was the Word of Life.
He revealed God's glory through the gospel story.
Jesus the Word, powerful Word, Jesus the Word of Life.
Jesus the Word, powerful Word, Jesus the Word of Life.*

* BENEDICTION

* CLOSING SONG: *Gloria Patri* (words are on the screen)

POSTLUDE

TODAY

WELCOME to worship!

- Parents may use the nursery during the service, but there will not be any attendants there.
- Coffee is available in the fellowship hall for those who would like to fellowship.
- The parament color (purple) during Lent typically suggests repentance and solemnity.

Third Sunday offerings are designated for the General Fund and Building Fund. The offering bags are at the back of the sanctuary

Greeters –

Ushers – Jake and Roberta Volkers

Library – Susan

SUNDAY SCHOOL: The children will sing after the morning worship before going to their classes.

There are classes for all ages. For the adults, Pastor Dave will lead a discussion in the sanctuary on *The Chosen*, a video telling the story of Jesus from the gospels.

Another adult class meets in the conference room off the kitchen discussing the power of words.

TONIGHT: Out church will be hosting the first of the Lenten evening series shared with the Christian Reformed Church. The service is at **7 p.m.** and Pastor Bryan Dick will be preaching from Romans 3.

**THIS WEEK'S OPPORTUNITIES
FOR CHRISTIAN GROWTH**

WEDNESDAY:

7:30 p.m. –Special congregational meeting to talk about possible upcoming changes concerning our church's and classis' affiliation with the Reformed Church in America - No vote will be taken, but we do want to hear your input and provide you with more information. We will try to make it possible for people to also participate via Zoom, so please let Pastor Dave know if you want to do that, so that you can receive the code for the meeting.

THURSDAY: NOTE THE CHANGE OF DATE

7 p.m. – Both high school and middle school youth groups will be meeting together.

NEXT SUNDAY: Pastor Dave will be preaching about Jesus as the Light for the second Sunday of Lent. A praise team will lead our songs of praise.

- For the joint Lenten evening services, we are invited to worship at the Christian Reformed Church **at 7 p.m.** Pastor Dave will be preaching about the blood of Abel and Jesus from Genesis 4 and Hebrews 12.

FUTURE DATES:

March 3.....	Worship Task Force High School Youth Group
March 6.....	World Day of Prayer at FRC

March 7..... Communion at the morning service
Joint evening Lenten series with CRC
at FRC at 7 p.m.

March 10..... Congregational Task Force

March 14..... Joint evening Lenten service with CRC at
Church at 7 p.m.

PERSONALS

PRAYER CONCERNS:

Please pray for those on chemo: **Jodi Koerner, Bernita Kooima, Pastor Dave and Dawn Lucas.**

Please pray for our homebound member **Howard Rozendal.**

Rochelle Sapp's birth date is February 29! Her address is in the directory.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SERVICE PROJECT FOR FEBRUARY is donating items to Option 1 in Brookings. The needed items are listed on cards in the pockets on the display board in the fellowship hall. Items and cards may be returned to the tote provided by March 1. Option 1 assists women and families in the Brookings area and SDSU with unplanned pregnancies to explore choices by providing appropriate resources and support including counseling, education programs and mentoring.

VBS PLANNING TEAM: If you are interested in serving on the VBS Planning Team, please contact Michelle Vande Weerd. The group, which also includes people from the Christian Reformed Church, will meet monthly between now and VBS (late May, early June).

THE VOLGA CHRISTIAN SCHOOL is selling fruit, cheese, beef sticks and jerky. Orders must be placed with Melissa Olson TODAY. Orders may be picked up at the school on March 10.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER: All women are invited to attend a World Day of Prayer service to be held Saturday, March 6 beginning with a time of fellowship at 9:30 a.m. The prayer workshop defining what is prayer and how to pray will begin at 10 a.m.

You are encouraged to wear a mask and practice social distancing.

ON DUTY FOR THE LORD NEXT SUNDAY, February 28:

Greeters – any volunteers??

Coffee Servers – Self-Serve

Nursery - no assigned volunteers, although parents may still use the room

Library – Michelle Vande Weerd

Offering- General Fund and Mission Fund

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