

**FIRST REFORMED CHURCH**

**SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**

**February 28 A.D. 2021  
9:30 A.M.**

**Pastor:** David Landegent

**Organist:** Jan Clapp

**Keyboard:** Dori Ohm

**Praise Team:** Darryl Clapp, Hattie Clapp, Nate Clapp, Nick, Clapp, Brian Franklin, Nichole Franklin, Dori Ohm

**TODAY**

**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**

SONGS OF PRAISE: *Victory in Jesus* • *Forever Lord, I Need You* • *Blessed be Your Name*

\* PRAYER

PREPARATION FOR THE LORD'S SUPPER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

MINISTRY OF PRAISE: *There Was Jesus* – Praise Team

**PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

\* HYMN: 373 – *The Light of the World is Jesus*

SCRIPTURE: John 9:1-12, 24-25, 35-41 p. 1665

SERMON: *Was Blind, But Now I See*

**OUR RESPONSE TO GOD**

\* HYMN: 299 – *Amazing Grace*

\* BENEDICTION

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

POSTLUDE

**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.

**Fourth Sunday offerings are designated for the General Fund and Mission Fund. The offering bags are at the back of the sanctuary**

Greeters –

Ushers – Jake and Roberta Volkers

Library – Michelle Vande Weerd

**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:** We will be worshipping at the Christian Reformed Church at 7 p.m. for our Lenten evening series. Pastor Dave will be preaching about the blood of Jesus from the gospels.

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

**MONDAY:** Pastor Dave will be attending a midday General Synod Council meeting via Zoom

WEDNESDAY: 7 p.m. – Worship Task Force  
7 p.m. – High School Youth Group

SATURDAY: FRC Ladies are hosting World Day of Prayer

All women are invited to attend a World Day of Prayer service 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.

NEXT SUNDAY: Pastor Dave will be preaching about Jesus as the Good Shepherd for the third Sunday of Lent. We will be celebrating the Lord's Supper and for this time (due to pandemic concerns), we will be using sealed containers that have both the bread and the juice. You can pick them up when you come to worship and then unseal each part at the appropriate time for the Lord's Supper.

- For the joint Lenten evening services, we will meet at FRC at **7 p.m.** Pastor Bryan will be preaching about Jesus as our priest offering his blood (Hebrews 9). Ushers will seat people to maintain social distancing.

FUTURE DATES:

March 10.....	Congregational Task Force
March 14.....	Joint evening Lenten service with CRC at CRC at 7 p.m.
March 17.....	Consistory meeting
March 21.....	Joint evening Lenten series with CRC at FRC 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.**

OUR SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED to the Cotton family upon the death of Carolyn's brother, Dennis Nagel on Wednesday, February 24.

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

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SERVICE PROJECT FOR FEBRUARY is donating items to Option 1 in Brookings. Items and cards should be returned to the tote TODAY or by TOMORROW, March 1.

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).

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING:

At this past Wednesday's congregational meeting, Pastor Dave presented a report with two parts concerning the issue of staying in the RCA or perhaps leaving with most of Dakota Classis. The two parts were "How did we get here?" and "Where do we go from here?" If you would like a copy of that report, you can pick one up on the table in the back of the sanctuary. A straw poll was taken and showed 29 who were open to leaving the RCA and four (4) who preferred that we stay in the denomination. Although we at one time had arranged for two meetings on this issue (and had that plan disrupted by unusually cold temperatures), we have no plans at the moment for a second meeting. The consistory will discuss this further at their next meeting to determine what would be the best next steps. Thanks for your participation and interest.

ON DUTY FOR THE LORD NEXT SUNDAY, March 7:

Greeters – any volunteers??

Coffee Servers – Self-Serve

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

Library – Susan

Offering- General Fund and Building Fund

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