FIRST REFORMED CHURCH

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST November 6, 2022 9:30 A.M. **Pastor Gary Mulder**

Organ: Jan Clapp Keyboard: Dori Ohm

> PRELUDE – Praise to the Lord, the Almighty WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS CALL TO WORSHIP

OUR APPROACH TO GOD

HYMN: 414 – Have Thine Own Way, Lord 441 – Something for Jesus

- HYMN: 408 I Surrender All
- OPENING PRAYER
- GREETING ONE ANOTHER GIDEON MESSAGE: Kurt Turner CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

HYMN: 436 – Take My Life and Let It Be SCRIPTURE: Jonah 3 p. 1438 MESSAGE: Jonah: Compliance or Obedience

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

OFFERING (General Fund and Building Fund) CHILDREN'S OFFERING (Compassion Child) (Please sign the friendship pads as the offering is received)

- * OFFERTORY PRAYER
- HYMN: 469 Trust and Obey
- BENEDICTION
- CLOSING SONG: 415 Make Me a Servant

*Please stand if you are able

TODAY

WELCOME to all members and guests joining us at FRC today. May you experience the grace and joy of the LORD as we worship together.

We extend a special welcome to Kurt Turner, a Gideon representative who will bring a few words from the Gideon organization. An offering for the work of the Gideon organization will be received at the door as you leave the sanctuary this morning.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: We have classes for ALL ages. The children (pre-primary -5^{th} grade) will have a time of singing at 10:45 in the sanctuary. Class room time will be from 11-11:45 a.m.

The adult class (led by Pastor Gary) meets in the sanctuary studying the book of Hebrews using a RightNow Media video by Derwin Gray. Today's topic focuses on following Jesus in His mission to reach out to others.

SERVING THE LORD TODAY:

Greeters: Charles and Ruth Sapp Ushers: Jake and Roberta Volkers Coffee: Jason and Laci Volkers Nursery: Susan Vander Wal

Library: Polly Vander Wal and Carter Sapp

CONSISTORY MEETING – 6 p.m.

DEACON NOMINEES: 7 p.m. ELDER NOMINEES: 8 p.m.

Information about each office will be shared at these meetings and we will spend some time in prayer and discernment.

PRAYER NIGHT: 7:30 p.m.

NEXT SUNDAY:

Pastor Gary will finish his series of messages from the book of Jonah

A praise team will begin the service with some praise songs.

Praise ministry will be brought to us by Hattie Clapp.

Samaritan's Purse shoeboxes are due back. The children will be bringing them forward during the service.

<u>DAKOTA SUN ASSISTED LIVING SERVICE</u>: The following are encouraged to visit:

Dean and Polly, Chr., Grades 6-12 and their teachers, Justin and Melissa Olson, John Sapp

THIS WEEK'S OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHRISTIAN GROWTH

MONDAY: 7 p.m. – Young Adult Fellowship and Discernment We'd like to get a group together to explore how we can connect with God and each other. No agenda – no program – just an open conversation about how the Spirit is leading and working and how our church can support that. Come hungry and enjoy some pizza together.

WEDNESDAY: 7-8:15 p.m. – Senior High Youth Group 8:30 p.m. – Men's Discipleship Group

<u>THURSDAY</u>: 2 p.m. Ladies' Bible Study Lesson 9 – *Developing a Godly Self-Image* (Exodus 3:1-15; 4:1-17) Leader -Robyn Refreshments- VernaMae

3:45 p.m. – GEMS at CRC

FRIDAY/SATURDAY: Pastor Gary, Elder Dori Ohm and Deacon Howard Lindberg will be attending Dakota Network meeting at First Reformed in Sioux Falls

FUTURE DATES

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November 14	Fresh Hope
November 15	MESA Team
November 16	3pm- Men's Discipleship
	Senior High Youth Group
November 17	Dakota Sun Fellowship
November 19	Habitat for Humanity
November 21	Salvation Army Bell
	Ringing
November 21	Consistory
November 23	Thanksgiving Eve Service
	at 7:30 p.m.
November 27	No Sunday School
December 3	FRC Bake Sale at Beta Psi
	Gallery of Gifts
December 4	Congregational Meeting

PRAYERS AND PRAISE

PRAYER CONCERNS:

Your on-going prayers for those in need of healing and those taking treatments would be appreciated:

Jen Greene, Jodi Koerner, Bernita Kooima, Dawn Lucas, Megan Sinner and Edward Vander Wal.

Tom Kleinjan had shoulder repair surgery on Friday.

Please continue to pray for **Howard Rozendal** who resides at Homestead Assisted Living in Lake Norden.

MEAL TRAINS have been organized for Jim and Jen Greene, Darin and Megan Sinner and Ron and Jodi Koerner. An on-line sign up is available for you to volunteer. Beth Clapp will be the contact person so if you are not comfortable signing up on-line or don't have access to sign up on-line, please contact Beth.

If you have your contribution for the Greene or Sinner families to the church kitchen the evening before your designated date, Hattie Clapp will bring your items to Estelline.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>A NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS</u> will begin on Sunday, November 20. Pastor Frank will lead a discussion on the book of Revelation.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOE BOXES are available in the fellowship hall. If you would like to participate in this project, please take a box. Boxes must be returned by November 13. Samaritan's Purse, the sponsor of the shoebox project, would like to receive a \$10 donation per box to help with the shipping costs. An envelope used to be included in the shoebox. This year they are suggesting you to go their website (samaritanspurse.org) and make the contribution. If you don't wish to do that, put your money in an offering envelope, mark it SAMARITAN'S PURSE, drop it in the offering bag and MESA will get the donation dollars to them.

<u>LOOKING FOR A VOLUNTEER(S)</u> to bring a message/program as well as provide refreshments for the residents at **Dakota Sun** on Thursday afternoon, December 15. If you are willing to do one or both of these acts of service, please let Susan know.

<u>THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE</u>: Work Group #1 (not #4 as published in the newsletter) is in charge of organizing and serving the pie fellowship which will follow the service. Everyone is encouraged to bring one pie.

<u>OUTSTANDING BILLS</u>: Please present any outstanding team bills you may have incurred this past year to our treasurer, Scott Vander Wal by November 21. The church fiscal year ends on November 30. Thank you!

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY is a Christian based organization that provides homes to people at a reasonable price. To keep costs down, much of the labor is provided by volunteers. A couple from our church is receiving a Habitat house and we would like to help them with their required volunteer hours. The work date has been set for Saturday, November 19. Be watching for more details soon. Please sign your name on a new sign-up sheet which has been posted in the fellowship hall.

BAKE SALE at the BETA PSI GALLERY OF GIFTS: FRC will again have a baked goods table at the Gallery of Gifts on Saturday, December 3 at Sioux Valley Schools. We encourage all of you to supply baked goods to sell. Goodies of all kinds are welcome!

Please have your items wrapped and packaged attractively and bring to our booth at the school (use south door) $\underline{\mathbf{BEFORE}}$ 8:30 a.m. If it is more convenient for you, you may bring your items to the church kitchen on Friday afternoon. (Susan will be at the church from 1-3 p.m.) The FRC MESA Team will decide which mission project(s) will be the recipients of the proceeds.

We also need volunteers to set up, sell food and take down. If you are able to help, sign up for a work time on the sheet posted in the fellowship hall.

<u>THE ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING</u> will be held on Sunday, December 4 immediately following the morning worship service. Children will be dismissed to go to program practice at the close of the service.

Our bylaws specify that only agenda items will be acted on at the Congregational Meeting, so if you have an item to be discussed, please bring it to a consistory member prior to their November 21st meeting. They will be setting the agenda that night.

An agenda and a proposed budget will be distributed at least one week prior to the meeting. Absentee ballots will be allowed.

The elder and deacon candidates will draw lots to determine whom God has chosen to fill the respective offices.

Retiring elders are Tom Kleinjan and Kelly Vander Wal. The retiring deacon is Don Jones. Please thank them personally for their service.

NEXT SUNDAY, November 13

Greeters: Bill and Sheryl Van Beek Ushers: Jake and Roberta Volkers Coffee: Jake and Roberta Volkers Nursery: Dori Ohm and Ellie Koerner Library – Michelle Vande Weerd

Offering - General Fund and Volga Christian School

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