

## FIRST REFORMED CHURCH

### FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 13, 2025 9:30 A.M.

**Pastor:** Gary Mulder

**Organ:** Carol Kleinjan

**Keyboard:** Karen Knutson

**Praise Team**

#### PRELUDE

SONGS OF PRAISE: *He is Lord* • *Be Still and Know*

\* *Shine, Jesus Shine*

\* OPENING PRAYER

\* GREETING ONE ANOTHER

#### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

MINISTRY OF PRAISE: *I Will Glory in My Redeemer* - Marion Read

RESPONSIVE READING based on God's Law (insert)

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

OFFERING (General Fund and Volga Christian School)

CHILDREN'S OFFERING (Compassion Children-Nelly and Raj)

*(Please sign the friendship pads as the offering is received)*

\* DOXOLOGY - (page 623)

\* OFFERTORY PRAYER

SCRIPTURE: 2 Samuel 7:1-17 p. 480

MESSAGE: *Beat the Heat: Difficult Assignments*

\* HYMN: 414 – *Have Thine Own Way, Lord*

\* BENEDICTION

\* CLOSING HYMN: 415 – *Make Me a Servant*

\*Please stand if you are able.

## TODAY

**A WARM WELCOME** to all who have come to join us in worship. We are glad that you have chosen this place of worship to honor the Lord's name. Please join us in the fellowship hall for coffee and conversation.

#### SERVING THE LORD TODAY:

Greeters: Marv and Joyce Post

Ushers: Kelly and Vickie Vander Wal

Nursery: Ruth Sapp and Eli Sapp

Coffee: Dean and Polly Vander Wal

#### DAKOTA SUN ASSISTED LIVING SERVICE

The following are encouraged to worship and fellowship with the residents at Dakota Sun at 11 a.m.: Bruce & Dawn, Chr., Susan, Stan & Joan, Jan Clapp, Rollyn & Beth, Larry & Barb, Dan & Melanie, Ron & Karen, Bernita Kooima, Dave Nettleton, Bob Olson, Doug & Ruth, Keith & Shirley, James & Missy, Brad Vander Wal, Kyle & Allison, Amy Vandermeer, Sako & Wiekie

Even if your name is not on this list, you are welcome and encouraged to worship and visit with the residents.

3 p.m. – Women's Discipleship (Proverbs)

SUNDAY SCHOOL will resume again in September.

#### NEXT SUNDAY (July 20)

- A men's group will begin the service by leading the congregation in singing some familiar hymns.
- Roni Lovette will provide praise ministry.
- Pastor Gary will conclude his sermon series 'Beat the Heat'.
- 7 p.m. – Men's Discipleship
- 7 p.m. – Prayer Time

### THIS WEEK'S OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHRISTIAN GROWTH

MONDAY: 7 p.m. – Fresh Hope

8 p.m. – Education Team

WEDNESDAY: 3 p.m. – Men’s Discipleship

THURSDAY: 2 p.m. – Dakota Sun program and fellowship  
Leader – Robyn; Refreshments – Susan

### FUTURE DATES

July 25-27.....	Junior High Power Connection in St. Paul
July 28 .....	Fresh Hope
August 3.....	Communion
August 23.....	Prayer Walk

### **PRAYERS AND PRAISE**

#### PRAYER CONCERNS:

Your on-going prayers for others in need of healing and those taking treatments would also be appreciated: **Gene Bjorklund, Whitney Goetsch, Lois Kleinjan, Jodi Koerner, Bernita Kooima, Dawn Lucas, Bob Olson, Marion Read, Emily Schaefer, Joel Schonewill, Harold Van Hoepen, Amy Vandermeer and Ray Vander Wal**

Also continue to pray for **Howard Rozendal** who resides at Homestead Assisted Living in Lake Norden, **Donald Langland** who is at the Estelline Nursing and Care Center, **Ray Vander Wal** who is at United Living Center in Brookings and **Adriana Kleinjan** who is homebound.

**Bob Olson** spent some time in Avera Hospital in Sioux Falls due to a bowel obstruction. The problem was alleviated without surgery. Thank you for your prayers.

THANK YOU for your many prayers, encouraging words and cards received with our mother, Arlene Post’s declining health and passing. Your kindness and love shown brought peace and comfort to the Post family in a difficult time. – Dean and Polly Vander Wal and family

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

POWER CONNECTION: On July 25, 15 youth and three adults will load up a rental van and a SUV heading to St. Paul, MN for Power Connection. Power Connection is our denomination’s junior high youth event. Students will hear a speaker share about the “Best Life Ever” while also enjoying the band, Orchard Hill Collective.

Please be in prayer for the students and leaders who will be going. We want this to be both a fun and a spiritual experience. We are excited to see what the Lord will do in the lives of our youth. Your prayers will help lay the groundwork so God can achieve His goals.

THE VOLGA CHRISTIAN SCHOOL is requesting nominations to the school board for a 3-year term. Per our constitution, nominations must be submitted prior to our regular monthly meeting which is July 15th. Nominees must be confessing members, in good standing, of a Christian church. The election will take place at the VCS annual society meeting on July 28, 2025, at 7:00pm at the school. Discussion will be held at the society meeting for amendments to our constitution in regard to Article 4: VCS Board and Article 5: Officers. All society members are strongly encouraged to attend this annual meeting. Please submit nominations to any board member by July 15.

#### NEXT SUNDAY, July 20, 2025

Greeters: Bill and Sherry Van Beek

Ushers: Kelly and Vickie Vander Wal

Nursery: Laura Hove and Olivia Hove

Coffee: Ron & Karen Knutson

Offering: General Fund and Building Fund

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