

FIRST REFORMED CHURCH

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 20, 2025 9:30 A.M.

Pastor: Gary Mulder

Organ: Carol Kleinjan

Keyboard: Michelle Vander Wal

Men's Praise Team

PRELUDE: *Nearer, My God, to Thee*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

HYMNS: 412 – *Draw Me Nearer*

144 – *There's a Quiet Understanding*

* 126 – *The Gift of Love*

* OPENING PRAYER

* GREETING ONE ANOTHER

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

MINISTRY OF PRAISE: *How Great Thou Art* - Roni Lovette

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

OFFERING (General Fund and Building Fund)

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

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

* DOXOLOGY - (page 623)

* OFFERTORY PRAYER

SCRIPTURE: Ephesians 4:25-32 p. 1822

MESSAGE: ***Beat the Heat: Friction with Other Believers***

* HYMN: 119 – *They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love*

* BENEDICTION

* CLOSING HYMN: 138 – *Blest Be the Tie That Binds* (verse 1)

*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: Bill and Sherry Van Beek

Ushers: Kelly and Vickie Vander Wal

Nursery: Laura Hove and Olivia Hove

Coffee Servers: Ron and Karen Knutson

7 p.m. – Men's Discipleship ! Corinthians 6

7 p.m. – Prayer Time

SUNDAY SCHOOL will resume again in September.

NEXT SUNDAY (July 27)

- The praise band will begin the service by leading the congregation in singing some praise songs.
- Darwin Husby will provide praise ministry.
- Wayne Fischer will be bringing a message from God's Word while Pastor Gary is with the junior high youth at Power Connection.

THIS WEEK'S OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHRISTIAN GROWTH

MONDAY: 7 p.m. Board of Elders

7:15 p.m. Deacon's Meeting

7:30 p.m. - Consistory

POWER CONNECTION - FRIDAY-SUNDAY: On Friday, 15 youth and three adults will head to St. Paul, MN for Power Connection. Power Connection is our denomination's junior high youth event.

Please be in prayer for the students and leaders who are going. Pray for safety and protection. Also pray that the Holy spirit will be working in powerful ways.

The group will be leaving from church at 10 a.m. on Friday. Feel free to join them for prayer as they leave.

FUTURE DATES

July 28	Fresh Hope
August 3.....	Communion
August 5.....	MESA Team
August 23.....	Prayer Walk
August 24.....	Outdoor Service

PRAYERS AND PRAISE

PRAYER CONCERNS:

Your on-going prayers for others in need of healing and those taking treatments would also be appreciated: **Gary Egeberg, Whitney Goetsch, 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 now resides at ULC in Brookings (Room 403), **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 had surgery to remove an obstruction in his bowel. He experienced an additional concern preventing him from getting oxygen and causing him to be moved to ICU. Pray that his condition keeps improving from here.

Lois Kleinjan will have same day surgery on her back this Tuesday. Pray that the surgery is successful and relieves the pain.

CONGRATULATIONS to Sam and Tiffany Zenner on the birth of a daughter, Lily Gene on July 8. Congrats also to grandparents, Gene and Michelle Bjorklund and extended family. *Children are a heritage from the Lord...* Psalm 127:3

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HANDBELLS: Through a generous donation from an anonymous donor, we have been able to purchase a used set of handbells for our congregation. More information will be coming on an exploratory night and future handbell choir involvement. We want to thank that donor for this wonderful gift!

THE SERVICE PROJECT FOR JULY/AUGUST is gathering items on a wish list for the Volga Christian School. Check out the information on ‘the ladder’ and you may choose any slip(s) from the board and return the item(s) by Sunday, August 18. The items on the list are: Crayola® crayons, Crayola® broad markers, Crayola® thin markers, Crayola® colored pencils, watercolor paints, cotton balls, white bags with handles for Valentine’s Day, white-out tape, construction paper, poster puddy/sticky tack, letter size laminating pouches, thick paint brushes (for KPrep ages) tempera/washable paint bottles. Thank you in advance for your participation.

SUMMER CAMP REIMBURSEMENT: The Education Team would like to remind parents that if your child has attended or will still be attending a church camp this summer there are funds available to help with the cost. Susan has a form for you to fill out after your child returns from camp. Please contact Heidi Ostrem with any questions.

NEXT SUNDAY, July 27, 2025

Greeters: Sako and Wiekie Vandermeer Family

Ushers: Kelly and Vickie Vander Wal

Nursery: Betty Beukelman and Eli Sapp

Coffee: Dar Ludwig and Marion Mulder

Offering: General Fund and Mission Fund

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