

Welcome to Worship with First Reformed Church
August 24, 2025
Rev. Luke Baehr

Sometimes I feel like young Jeremiah – clueless about how to share your message, God (Jeremiah 1:6). May something in worship today touch my spirit so I can speak naturally to someone about your love.

Sunday Morning Worship – 9:00 a.m.

GOD GATHERS US

Call to Worship

***Opening Praise**

*Majesty
Oh, How Good It Is
Holy Spirit*

Welcome & Peace

Refrain of Thanks

Life Together

More Precious than Silver
Mission Update: Emily Dykstra(CRU)

GOD SPEAKS TO US

Prayer of Illumination

Children’s Message

Scripture

Sermon

1 Kings 19:10-18
“*Ordinary Courage: Being Wrong*”

GOD INVITES US TO RESPOND

Announcements

Prayers of the Church

GOD SENDS US OUT

***Sending Song**

***Benediction**

***Doxology**

Next Week’s Scripture: 2 Kings 2:1-14

Those Serving Today

Pianist: Mary Paul

Nursery: Bryelle Hollander

Coffee Hour – Today

Jamie Kok

Coffee Hour – August 31

Don & Jackie Cupery

Today

As we worship – indeed, as we live – we are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses to our Lord, Jesus Christ. So, we can lay aside every weight and sin (Hebrews 12:1-2). Welcome.

Emily Dykstra (CRU) Update - Emily Dykstra is visiting us today during worship to give an update on her ministry on Milwaukee college campuses through CRU. Emily grew up at First Reformed and has been serving full-time with CRU since graduating from college. Emily is coming off a two-month summer sabbatical and is looking forward to the upcoming fall semester. On August 24, there will be time after worship to talk more with Emily and to pray together.

This Week’s Activities

Tuesday, August 26

8:30 a.m. – Ephesians Bible Study

Saturday, August 30

8:30 a.m. - GriefShare

Sunday, August 31

9:00 a.m. – Morning Worship

Pianist: Darlene Minnema

Nursery: Zoe Kok

Announcements

Nursing Home Service Next Week - Next Sunday, August 31, Pastor Luke will be leading worship at Randolph Health Services in the cafeteria at 2pm. Any who would like to spend time joining in worship with the residents is welcome to come.

Mission of the Month: Randolph Christian School - Our Mission of the Month offering is coming up next week, August 30. The offering will support Randolph Christian School, which since 1913 has been offering Christian education in our community. To make your offering, place it in a blue envelope and drop it in the offering box in the narthex.

RCYF Labor Day Pie Stand - Youth group will again have a pie stand in the park on Labor Day, September 1. We are looking for people to donate pies to help make this fundraiser a success. We are looking for about 70 pies. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex if you are willing to donate. This year we would like pies delivered to the church kitchen on Sunday, August 31 by 5:00 PM. If that does not work for you then you can still bring them to the park by 9:00. If you have any questions, you can contact Shirley Schueler.

Profession of Faith & New Member Groups - In September-October, Pastor Luke is planning to hold a group for people interested in becoming church members and for students and/or young adults looking to make Profession of Faith. If you are considering being a part of either of these groups, please contact Pastor Luke so he can make scheduling plans.

Looking Ahead: 2025-26 Youth Programs - We are going to "Dig into the Word" this year. Youth programming is kicking off September 14 with Kid's Church and Sunday School. Kids Church offers alternative worship geared for children ages 3-9, held during the regular Sunday service. After the Children's Message in regular worship, at Kids Church, kids get their own time to sing, learn and participate in activities as their praise to God. Sunday School is after worship (10:05-10:45am) with classes designed to walk with students to grow their understanding of Christian faith and life. Sunday School is for 3 years old through 12th grade. Catechism will start on September 17 at 3:30pm and will meet downstairs in the fellowship hall. Catechism is instruction in the basics. It's a community class that meets after school to give 1st - 5th graders a basic grounding in the major themes and stories of the Bible. Students can get a snack, hang out with friends and learn God's story in a fun, interactive way.