

FIRST REFORMED CHURCH

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 19, 2025 9:30 A.M.

Pastor: Gary Mulder
Organ: Carol Kleinjan
Keyboard: Dori Ohm
Men's Group

PRELUDE

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

HYMNS: 68 – *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*

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

363 – *Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus*

* GREETING ONE ANOTHER

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PRAISE MINISTRY: *Lord, I Lift Your Name on High*

– Pre-primary – 5th grade Sunday School classes

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: Psalm 130 p. 969

MESSAGE: *Worship: Week 5*

* HYMN: 383 – *Grace Greater Than Our Sin*

* BENEDICTION

* CLOSING HYMN: 527 – *People Need the Lord* (both verses)

POSTLUDE

*Please stand if you are able

TODAY

A WARM WELCOME to all who have come to join us in worship and praise today. As we draw near unto God, may His Word be our guide. Please join us in the fellowship hall for coffee, juice and conversation.

SERVING THE LORD TODAY:

Greeters: Kevin and Kari Vander Wal

Ushers: Marv and Kayleen Bleeker

Nursery: Laura Hove and Landon Sapp

Coffee Servers: Cody and Brittany Knapp

SUNDAY SCHOOL: We have classes for all ages.

Pre-school -5th grade will meet in the large northeast Sunday School room at **10:45 a.m.** to worship. After worship, the children will be dismissed to their classrooms with their teachers.

Instruction in the classroom will be from 11-11:45 a.m.

There are two adult classes. 1) Ron Koerner's class meets in the sanctuary. This class is walking through the first half of Luke through a short video by J. D. Greear followed by discussion. (Luke 6 this week.)

2) Daniel Ostrem is leading a study on the prophets in the consistory room.

3 p.m. – Women's Discipleship Group

5 p.m. – Prayer Time

5 p.m. – Men's Discipleship Group

PLEASE NOTE NEW TIME

FOR BOTH OF THESE GROUPS

NOMINATION BALLOTS ARE DUE TODAY.

Please prayerfully consider who God would desire to lead our congregation over the next three years. If you misplaced your ballot, there are extras beside the ballot box – but please only submit one ballot.

GOOD USED CLOTHING DRIVE AND BLANKETS for the Center of Hope in Sioux Falls are due to the boxes TODAY!

Thank you in advance for all the items that are already in the boxes!

NEXT SUNDAY (October 26, 2025)

The praise band will begin the service by leading the congregation in singing some praise songs as well as providing the praise ministry.

Pastor Gary will be starting a new sermon series on the book of Ruth.

3:30 p.m. – Ladies' Bible Study (Luke)

6:30 p.m. – Combined Reformation Service at the Christian Reformed Church. Pastor Gary will bring share a message. A time of fellowship will follow.

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 Devotions and Refreshments - Daniel

WEDNESDAY: 4:15 p.m. – Bell Choir Practice
7 p.m. – Senior High Youth
8:30 p.m. – Men's Discipleship (Acts)

THURSDAY: 3:45 p.m. – GEMS at CRC

FUTURE DATES:

October 27.....	Fresh Hope
October 29.....	Youth Groups to Air Madness
November 9.....	Serving a meal at Freedom's Gate
November 26.....	Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service
November 30.....	Advent Begins
December 6.....	Bake Sale at Beta Psi Gallery of Gifts
December 7.....	Congregational Meeting
December 21.....	Christmas program during the morning service

PRAYERS AND PRAISE

PRAYER CONCERNS:

Your on-going prayers for others in need of healing and those taking treatments would also be appreciated: **Whitney Goetsch, Jodi Koerner, Bernita Kooima, Dawn Lucas, Bob Olson, Marion Read, Emily Schaefer, Joel Schonewill, Lee Vande Weerd, Harold Van Hoepen, and Amy Vandermeer.**

Also continue to pray for **Howard Rozendal** who resides at United Living Community in Brookings, **Donald Langland** who is at the Estelline Nursing and Care Center, and **Adriana Kleinjan** and **Harold Van Hoepen** who are homebound.

George Cotton had hip replacement surgery on Tuesday and is recuperating at home.

Marion Read continues with her treatments for ameloblastoma. Pray specifically that the side effects (especially the rare ones) will lessen. Also pray that these treatments will be effective.

THANKS FOR ALL YOUR PRAYERS! It really means a lot to me. The surgery went well. Now to heal! - George Cotton

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SAMARITAN'S PURSE SHOEBOXES are available for you to pick up a box and fill it with suggested small gifts for a child in need somewhere around the world. Boxes need to be returned by the middle of November; a firm date will be published in the bulletin soon.

QUILTERS: It is time to bring in your Project Linus quilts, whether sewn or crocheted. Please bring them to the southeast corner room (south hallway) by Monday, October 27. All the quilts must have an FRC label sewn into them. If you need labels, please contact VernaMae. Please sign the sheet on the clip board with your name and number of quilts/blankets.

YOUTH GROUP CALENDAR FUNDRAISER: The 2025 calendars are for sale at a table in the fellowship hall. The proceeds from this fundraiser help support youth group trips. Calendars are priced at \$10 each or if you are buying Christmas gifts, you may purchase 5 for \$40. Magnetic notepads are available for \$5

DECEMBER CHRISTMAS PROGRAM: This year, the PK-5th grade program will be integrated into the December 21st morning service. Parents, please let Michelle Vande Weerd or Heidi Ostrem know if your child(ren) will be gone that Sunday or if they will be able to participate. This will help us plan student readings and parts. We would also like to invite any K-12 students to play a short instrumental Christmas piece during the prelude that morning. Last year we were blessed by piano, guitar and clarinet players! Please reach out to either Michelle or Heidi if you have a musician or two that is willing to share their talents with the congregation. Thank you!

ADVANCE NOTICE: The 62nd Annual Volga Christian School Harvest Festival will be held on November 8 at Gracepoint Church in Brookings. The lunch will begin at 11 a.m. The auction begins at 12:30. Check the bulletin board for more details.

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Coffee: Wayne and Chris Mans
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