

FIRST REFORMED CHURCH

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

December 28, 2025 9:30 A.M.

Pastor: Gary Mulder

Guest Speaker: Cody Moret

Organ: Carol Kleinjan

Keyboard: Dori Ohm

PRELUDE

PRAISE SONGS: *Joy to the World (Unspeakable Joy)*

Emmanuel • God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen

GREETING ONE ANOTHER

If you feel more comfortable during the cold/flu season not shaking hands, you may greet someone with a 'soft' fist bump, wave of the hand or just a verbal Good Morning!

PRAISE MINISTRY: *Light of the Stable by Selah* - Praise Band

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

OFFERING (General Fund and Mission Fund)

CHILDREN'S OFFERING (Compassion Child – Nelly and Raj)

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

Angels We Have Heard on High – Horn/Piano Duet –

Lucas and Carol Kleinjan

* DOXOLOGY (page 623)

* OFFERTORY PRAYER

SCRIPTURE: Daniel 1:8-20 p. 1370

MESSAGE: ***Remaining Faithful***

* HYMN: 414 – *Have Thine Own Way*

* BENEDICTION

* CLOSING HYMN: *Find Us Faithful* (words are on the screen)

POSTLUDE

*Please stand if you are able

TODAY

WELCOME to all who have come to join us in worship and praise. As we gather as a body of believers on this last Sunday in 2025, may we reflect on the goodness of God and experience God's grace and love in the coming year of 2026!

A WARM WELCOME to Cody Moret, our guest speaker for today. Cody is a member of the Faith Reformed Church in Brookings and also serves as the president of the Midwest Network.

Thank you to Daniel and Heidi Ostrem for assisting in the worship service today.

Please join us in the fellowship hall after the service for refreshments and fellowship.

There are NO Sunday School classes today.

SERVING THE LORD TODAY:

Greeters: Jim and Karen Janssen

Ushers: Keith and Shirley Van Duyn

Nursery: Ruth Sapp and Marcus Olson

Coffee Servers: Jake and Roberta Volkers

NEXT SUNDAY (January 4, 2026)

The praise team will begin the service by leading the congregation with some praise songs.

Jason Hove and Michelle Vander Wal will be ordained and installed into the office of elder and Allen Van Hoepen will be ordained and installed into the office of deacon.

Pastor Gary will give a message on "Ordained to Serve" from Acts 13:1-5.

THIS WEEK'S OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHRISTIAN GROWTH

FUTURE DATES:

January 5.....	Education Team
	Fresh Hope
January 7.....	3pm-Men's
	Discipleship
	7pm- Sr. High
	Youth
January 8.....	Ladies' Bible Study

PRAYERS AND PRAISE

PRAYER CONCERNS:

Your on-going prayers for others in need of healing and those taking treatments would also be appreciated: **Kayleen Bleeker, Larry Dyer, Danelyn Greene, Whitney Goetsch, Lois Kleinjan, Jodi Koerner, Bernita Kooima, Dawn Lucas, 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, **Bill Van Beek** is in the Good Samaritan home in De Smet, Marilyn Kleinjan is at the Neighborhoods in Brookings and **Adriana Kleinjan** and **Harold Van Hoepen** who are homebound.

PASTOR GARY AND ROBYN will be on vacation until New Year's Day. If you have any spiritual needs during this time, please contact one of the current elders, Bryon Mullett, Charles Sapp, Daniel Ostrem or Scott Vander Wal.

WE WANT TO THANK EVERYONE for their graciousness over the holidays. We enjoyed many treats, gifts, cards, and kind words. Christmas is a time of blessings and we definitely felt blessed by you this Christmas. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year – Pastor Gary and Robyn
THANK YOU to the Education Team, teachers and students for making the Sunday School Christmas program possible last week. Your message of Christmas was brought to us in a unique way this year and was enjoyed by all in attendance.

A THANK YOU IS APPROPRIATE to ALL the musicians who put in extra time this month selecting music, practicing and then playing or singing to make our worship services in December so very special. Your talents and gifts are appreciated!

ANOTHER THANK YOU to those who gave abundantly to the Christmas Eve offering for the Brookings Back Pack program (specifically Sioux Valley students). The offering amounted to \$1,963!

THANK YOU, PASTOR GARY for showing us the way to an “Unhurried Christmas” in a series of messages!

NEW ADDRESS: Raatz, Jordan
3-39th I. 165th In BDE
Fort Jackson, SC 29207

1st PLT Bravo Company
11999 Hurtgen Forest Dr.

If you will be mailing him an encouragement card, please send by the end of January as he will be moving in February. He cannot receive packages.

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REMINDER TO TEAM CHAIRS: Please get your team replacement names to Susan and call a meeting by January 12 to select your team chair and secretary. Thank you.

MEALS FOR YOUTH GROUP MEETINGS: If you are willing to serve a ‘quick meal’ for the Wednesday night youth groups, please sign the sheet on the small table under the south bulletin board. Suggestions for food are on the sign-up sheet as well as to how many to serve and time to deliver. You do NOT have serve the food. Thank you in advance. Thank you to those that served in 2025!

WORDS OF HOPE DEVOTIONALS for this next quarter have not arrived, have been misplaced or lost in the mail. The Words of Hope answering machine message said they would be back in the office on January 5, 2026!

NEXT SUNDAY, January 4, 2026

Greeters: Tom and Carol Kleinjan

Ushers:

Nursery: Susan Vander Wal and Kinsley Sapp

Coffee Fellowship: Howard and Loretta Lindberg

Offering: Building Fund

Sunday School classes will resume. The adult class that meets in the sanctuary will be walking through the book of Ecclesiastes through a short video by Jonathan Pokluda.

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