

**Welcome to Worship with First Reformed Church
March 22, 2026
Rev. Luke Baehr**

As we prepare our hearts for worship, Lord, we lay at your feet all worries and cares. Please give us peace and nourish us with your Word.

Sunday Morning Worship – 9:00 a.m.

GOD GATHERS US

Call to Worship

***Opening Praise**

*Glory to God Forever
We Have Come into His House
The Jesus Way*

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Welcome & Peace

Refrain of Thanks

Breathe on Me, Breath of God

GOD SPEAKS TO US

Prayer of Illumination

Children's Message

Scripture

Mark 12:13-17, 28-34

Sermon *"Pitfalls of Church People: You Really Asking?"*

GOD INVITES US TO RESPOND

Announcements

Prayers of the Church

GOD SENDS US OUT

***Sending Song**

#29 Glorify Thy Name (1-3)

***Benediction**

***Doxology**

Next Week's Scripture: John 3:1-17

Those Serving Today

Pianist: Mary Paul

Nursery: Kati Hiley

Kids Church – TODAY

Leader: Holly Pfeffer

Helper: Saige Pfeffer & Aria Parks

Coffee Hour

Keri VerHage & Joan Karow

Those Serving Next Sunday

Kids Church – March 29

No Kids Church – Spring Break

Coffee Hour – March 29

Anna Johnson

Sunday School

Sunday School will be dismissed at 10:45 a.m. ALL children from 3 yrs-12th grade are welcome to attend Sunday School.

Today

"Come and see the works of the Lord...the Lord Almighty is with us!" (Psalm 46:8a, NIV). We rejoice that you are here today! Let us join together in praising God and witnessing His goodness through Word and Sacrament.

Resurrection Garden Order Forms – Reminder that flower orders for the Resurrection Garden are due TODAY. Make sure to return to the mailbox marked FLOWERS along with your check made payable to First Reformed Church.

This Week's Activities

Tuesday, March 24

8:30 a.m. – Mark Bible Study

5:30 p.m. – Lenten Soup Supper

Ham & Potato Minestrone

6:30 p.m. – Young Adult Bible Study

Wednesday, March 25

3:30 p.m. – Catechism

5:30 p.m. – Galatians Bible Study

4-8:00 p.m. – Youth Group Fundraiser at Pizza Ranch

Saturday, March 28

8:30 a.m. – GriefShare

Sunday, March 29 Palm Sunday

9:00 a.m. – Morning Worship

Pianist: Darlene Minnema

Nursery: Aubrynn Leystra

6:00 p.m. – *Echoes of Easter: The Hope of the Cross*
Easter Cantata

Announcements

Eat Pizza!! Support our Youth Group! – Our youth group students (Cornerstone/RCYF) will be volunteering at the Beaver Dam Pizza Ranch on Wednesday, March 25 from 4:00-8:00pm. Cornerstone and RCYF will be volunteering their time and the money raised will go towards the summer youth events.

April/May Messenger Deadline – Please have all your items to Jana Roberts by NOON Thursday, March 26 for the April/May Messenger.

Calling All Bakers – We are looking for volunteers to provide a dozen bars or cookies for fellowship after the Easter Cantata on Palm Sunday, March 29. If you can help, please sign up on the sheet in the narthex.

Please join us in the fellowship hall after worship for coffee.

2026 Holy Week Schedule - Our celebration of the most special week in the church year is coming up soon. Holy Week will begin on Palm Sunday – March 29, with worship that includes our "smashing piggy bank" Sunday School Offering collection. The week continues April 2 - Maundy Thursday Communion at 6pm, and on April 3 - Good Friday Worship at 6pm as a joint service held at the Courtland United Methodist Church. Finally, join us at our regular 9am on Easter Sunday - April 5 as we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord & Savior!

Sunday School Love Offering - PreK-8th grade Sunday School students, please remember to bring your piggy banks to church on Sunday, March 29. We'll be "smashing" them together during the worship service. The Elementary Singers (PreK-5th grade) will also perform during the Palm Sunday worship service on Sunday, March 29.

Randolph Community Pool Fundraiser – Join us at Randolph Evangelical Free Church, 702 N. High Street in Randolph, for a Chili & Cornbread Supper on Saturday, March 28 from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. All proceeds from freewill donations will directly support the community pool's budget.

2026 Easter Cantata - The Randolph Community Choir will be presenting "*Echoes of Easter: The Hope of the Cross*", an Easter musical, on Palm Sunday, March 29 at 6:00pm in our church. Please join us for a night of celebration! Following the presentation, we will have a coffee hour in the fellowship hall.

Youth Group Carwash – The Youth Group is selling \$10.00 car wash coupons for Tidal Wave Carwash in Beaver Dam. This is a great opportunity to get rid of winter salt on your vehicle. To purchase coupons, please contact Shirley Schueler. Thank you for supporting our youth groups.

Looking Ahead: Senior Spotlight - If you are a graduating senior and would like to be featured in the Senior Spotlight section of the Messenger, please contact Stacy Saeman at stacymacheel@gmail.com.

5-Stones of Dodge County Community Event – 5-stones of Dodge County will be presenting "*They Lost Their Lives to Sextortion...Don't Lose Yours*" on Thursday March 26 from 6:30-8:00 p.m. at the Beaver Dam High School (500 Gould Street, Beaver Dam). Join us for an informative evening on a difficult topic. Learn what sextortion is and how teens can fall prey to the schemes of online predators. Panel guests include John DeMay and Luke & Brittany Bird, who lost their sons to online predators, along with members of the WI Dept. of Justice Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force. Take action to inform and protect yourself or youth in your life! Parental discretion is advised. No child under 10 years old will be allowed. For more information check the flyer on the bulletin board in the narthex.

RCS Spring Auction - Join us for an exciting evening at the Randolph Christian School Spring Auction on Saturday, April 11, 2026! Doors & Silent Auction open at 4:00 PM, with dinner catered by LeRoy Meats and served from 4:30 PM to 6:15 PM. The Live Auction begins at 7:00 PM, featuring a variety of fantastic items generously donated by our community. Don't miss our Upscale Bake Sale, offering delicious homemade treats. New items are being donated daily! Mark your calendar and come ready to bid, buy, and support Christian education at RCS! Pre-register online at www.randolphchristian.org/auction or at the door. Meal tickets are \$15/person.