

FIRST REFORMED CHURCH

EASTER SUNDAY

April 5, 2026 9:30 A.M.

Pastor: Gary Mulder

Organ: Joyce Post

Keyboard: Karen Knutson

Praise Team: Carol Kleinjan, Michelle Vander Wal, Scott Vander Wal

Trumpets: Daniel Ostrem and Heidi Ostrem

PRELUDE

EASTER HYMNS: 281 – *Thine is the Glory*

272 – *Easter Song*

* 268 – *Christ the Lord is Risen Today*

* GREETING ONE ANOTHER

PRAISE MINISTRY: *The Day of Resurrection* – Bell Choir

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

OFFERING (General Fund and Building Fund)

(I Know that My Redeemer Liveth)

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

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

* DOXOLOGY (page 623)

* OFFERTORY PRAYER

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 28:1-10

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MESSAGE: ***From Fear to Faith***

* HYMN: 285 – *He Lives*

* BENEDICTION

* CLOSING HYMN: 275 – *Because He Lives* (verse 1)

POSTLUDE

*Please stand if you are able

TODAY

WELCOME to all who have come to join us in worship and praise on this Easter Sunday morning. May the resurrected Jesus give you new life today and every day.

Please join us in the fellowship hall for a time of refreshments and conversation.

SERVING THE LORD TODAY:

Greeters: Jim and Karen Janssen

Ushers: Jake and Roberta Volkers

Nursery: Amanda Triebwasser and Sarah Sneed (for newborns-age 4)

Coffee Servers: Harold and Betty Beukelman

NO SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES TODAY!

NEXT SUNDAY (April 12, 2026)

- The mixed quartet will begin the service by leading the congregation in singing some well-known hymns.
- This will be our rescheduled Prayer for Crops and Industry service when Pastor Gary will bring a message on “When the Rains Stop..”
- We will have a baptism and new members will be welcomed in the FRC family.
- The pre-school-5th grade Sunday School classes will be going to Dakota Sun at 11 a.m. to share a message with the residents there.

**THIS WEEK’S OPPORTUNITIES
FOR CHRISTIAN GROWTH**

MONDAY: 7 p.m. – Fresh Hope

WEDNESDAY: 4:15 p.m. – Bell Choir Practice

5:30-7:30pm – Youth Groups Fundraiser Taco Supper

6:30 p.m. – Buildings and Grounds Team

8:30 p.m. – Men’s Discipleship Group

THURSDAY: 2 p.m. – Ladies’ Bible Study Romans 12

Leader – Carol Refreshments – Shirley I.

3:45 p.m. – GEMS at CRC

SATURDAY: 10 a.m. – The Cadet-o-Rama at Sioux Falls Christian High School. The Volga Cadets will compete in Pinewood Derby car races, basketball tournaments for older boys and games for younger boys.

FUTURE DATES

April 13.....	Consistory
April 15.....	Men’s Discipleship Senior High Youth
April 15.....	Cadet Year-End Banquet
April 16.....	Dakota Sun Program
April 20.....	Fresh Hope
April 22.....	Junior High Youth
April 29.....	Both youth groups fun night

PRAYERS AND PRAISE

PRAYER CONCERNS:

Gina Vander Wal had a surgical biopsy on her lung and now is recovering at home.

George Cotton returned to his home on Tuesday and is recovering there.

Marilyn Kleinjan spent some days in the Brookings Hospital with a blood clot.

Your on-going prayers for others in need of healing and those taking treatments would also be appreciated: **Gary and Gloria Egeberg, Whitney Goetsch, Gene and Lois Kleinjan, Jodi Koerner, Bernita Kooima, Dawn Lucas, Joel Schonewill, Lee Vande Weerd, Harold Van Hoepen, 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, **Marilyn Kleinjan** is at Dakota Sun in Volga and **Adriana Kleinjan** and **Harold Van Hoepen** who are homebound.

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YOUTH GROUP TACO FUNDRAISING SUPPER: The youth groups are sponsoring a taco supper as a fundraiser for youth group trips. Serving time is 5:30-7:30 p.m. Bring a friend with you!

Menu items include tacos, taco salad, walking tacos, cookies, bars and desserts.

If you would be willing to donate some pounds of ground beef for the taco supper, please contact Melissa Olson TODAY!! Thank you in advance!!

APRIL SERVICE PROJECT: The MESA Team has designated the April service project as paper products and office supplies for the Center of Hope in Sioux Falls. Please check out the information on ‘The Ladder’ in the fellowship hall.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN A MISSION PROJECT?

(An earlier announcement asked for a young adult – this is now changed to any age.)

This is a mission immersion experience available to you. You would go with other mission minded people to Peru and stay with our missionaries Sandi and Albino and learn about Casa del Maestro Ministries. You would also get to see Machu Picchu and Cuzco. There is more information on the bulletin board or talk to Pastor Gary or Robyn.

NEEDED AT INSPIRATION HILLS CAMP AND RETREAT CENTER

As the camp is preparing for campers, they are asking for male counselors (high school graduates or older). Check the bulletin board for more details.

NEXT SUNDAY, April 12, 2026

Greeters: Jeff and Sarah Sapp Family

Ushers: Jake and Roberta Volkers

Nursery: Amy Vandermeer and Ryan Vandermeer

Coffee Servers: Cody and Brittany Knapp

Offering: General Fund and Volga Christian School

Dakota Sun Assisted Living service at 11 a.m. The following are encouraged to worship and visit with the residents: Scott & Michelle, Chr., Tim & Whitney, Nate Clapp, Nick Clapp, Brian Franklin, Dan & Melanie, Cody & Brittany, Daniel & Heidi, Paisley Raml, Nick & Nicole, pre-primary – 5th grade and their teachers

(April 5, 2026 bulletin)

Ladies: If you are interested in hearing an inspirational speaker, Jenny Peterson share her story of faith, hope and perseverance at the Preston Christian Church on Saturday, April 18 beginning at 10 a.m. and ending with a salad luncheon, please sign up on the bulletin board by next Sunday, April 12. This is free - - - RSVP’s are required.

