

**Welcome to Worship with First Reformed Church**  
**April 12, 2026**  
**Rev. Luke Baehr**

*May the risen Christ who offered peace to his followers grant us a similar favor as we worship this day.*

**Sunday Morning Worship – 9:00 a.m.**

**GOD GATHERS US**

**Call to Worship**

**\*Opening Praise**

*He Lives  
Our God Reigns*

**Assurance of Pardon**

**Welcome & Peace**

**Refrain of Thanks**

*He Leadeth Me*

**GOD SPEAKS TO US**

**Prayer of Illumination**

**Children's Message** (Kids Church – ages 3-4<sup>th</sup> grade meet downstairs)

**Scripture**

1 Peter 1:3-9

**Sermon**

“Living Hope”

**GOD INVITES US TO RESPOND**

**Announcements**

**Prayers of the Church**

**GOD SENDS US OUT**

**\*Sending Song** #224 *Jesus Lives, and So Shall I (1,4,5)*

**\*Benediction**

**\*Doxology**

**Because He Lives (Refrain)**

Because He lives, I can face tomorrow,

Because He lives all fear is gone;

Because I know He holds the future.

And life is worth the living just because He Lives

Next Week's Scripture:

**Those Serving Today**

**Pianist:** Mary Ann Westra

**Nursery:** Aubrynn Leystra

**Kids Church – TODAY**

Leader: Niki VanBeek

Helper: Annika Reed & Abigail Stiemsma

**Coffee Hour**

Gary & Kate Koopmans

**Those Serving Next Sunday**

**Kids Church – April 19**

Leader: Kim Parks

Helper: Aria Parks & Saige

Pfeffer

**Coffee Hour – April 19**

Dave & Patti Stowell

**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**

In the afterglow of Easter, our happiness regarding the resurrection of our Lord continues. We welcome each of you and invite you to join in this joyful service of worship.

**Welcome Pastor Lois Wendlandt** – With Pastor Luke & Joelle out of town today's worship will be led by Pastor Lois

**A Visit with Mariam Ibrahim** - In 2014, Mariam Ibrahim became an international story as people from around the world prayed and worked for her liberation from a Sudanese prison where she had been arrested for her Christian faith. TODAY at 10:30 a.m., meet at The Gathering Place for Mariam to share some of her story and her witness to God's grace and sovereignty.

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

**This Week's Activities**

**Tuesday, April 14**

**8:30 a.m.** – Mark Bible Study

**6:30 p.m.** – Young Adult Bible Study

**6:30 p.m.** – Prayer Team

**Wednesday, April 15**

**5:30 p.m.** – Galatians Bible Study,

**Saturday, April 18**

**8:30 a.m.** – GriefShare

**Sunday, April 19**

**9:00 a.m.** – Morning Worship

Pianist: Lois Wendlandt

Nursery: Stephanie Wilcox

**Announcements**

**Pregnancy Support Center of Dodge County** - Benvenuto's Italian Restaurant in Beaver Dam and Pregnancy Support Center of Dodge County are partnering up for a "Dining Day" on Tuesday, April 14 from 11:00am-9:00pm. Just mention PSCDC and Benvenuto's will then donate 20% of your purchase to PSCDS. This offer applies to dine in, carry-out, and/or delivery. We hope to see you there.

**RCS Spring Musical** - RCS Elementary students will perform their musical "The S.A.L.T. Company" on Thursday April 16 at 2:00 PM and 6:30 PM. Their mission is to bring life and action to Scripture that teaches believers about how we are "the salt of the earth". The students have worked hard getting ready and it has been a joy to watch and hear them praise the Lord! Hope you can join us!

**Special GriefShare 2-hour Event** - Loss of Spouse, will be held on Saturday, April 25 from 2-4 pm in the church fellowship hall. Please register at [Griefshare.org](http://Griefshare.org) or contact Lois Wendlandt at [sharethegrief@yahoo.com](mailto:sharethegrief@yahoo.com) or phone 920-382-3859.

**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.