

FIRST REFORMED CHURCH

TODAY

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 12, 2026 9:30 A.M.

**Pastor:** Gary Mulder

**Organ:** Carol Kleinjan

**Keyboard:** Karen Knuson

**Mixed Quartet**

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

HYMNS: 262 – *My Jesus, I Love Thee*

430 – *All That Thrills My Soul*

\* 473 – *Jesus Never Fails*

\* OPENING PRAYER

\* GREETING ONE ANOTHER

PRAISE MINISTRY – *Ancient Words* -

Ron Koerner, Paisley Raml, Kayleen Bleeker, Daniel Ostrem

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

MISSION MOMENT

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

OFFERING (General Fund and Volga Christian School)

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

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

\* DOXOLOGY (page 623)

\* OFFERTORY PRAYER

SCRIPTURE: Hebrews 10:23-25 p. 1874

Isaiah 59:1-2 p. 1154

James 4:8 p. 1884

MESSAGE: ***Don't Go "No Contact" with God***

\* HYMN: 577 – *Abide with Me*

\* BENEDICTION

\* CLOSING HYMN: 389 – *Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling* (verse 1)

POSTLUDE

**WELCOME** to all who have come to join us in worship and praise today. We are glad you have chosen this place of worship and learning to develop a closer relationship with Jesus Christ.

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

**SERVING THE LORD TODAY:**

Greeters: Vandermeer Family

Ushers: Jerry and Cam Heier

Nursery: Susan Vander Wal and Ryan Vandermeer (for newborns-age 4)

Coffee Servers: Darin and Megan Sinner

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** will resume in September.

**THE CONGREGATIONAL CARE TEAM** will meet following the morning service at the west end of the fellowship hall.

**DAKOTA SUN SERVICE:** The following are encouraged to worship with the residents at Dakota at 11 a.m.: Ron & Karen, Chr., Susan, Stan & Joan, Jan Clapp, Rollyn & Beth, Larry & Barb, Bernita Kooima, Bruce & Dawn, Patricia Mast, Dave Nettleton, Doug & Ruth, Wayne & Carolyn, Keith & Shirley, James & Missy, Brad Vander Wal, Kyle & Allyson, Sako & Wiekie. Even if your name is not on the list, you are welcome to worship and fellowship with the residents!

**NEXT SUNDAY (July 19, 2026)**

- Roni Lovette, will begin singing and accompanying herself about 9:20 a.m. before the worship service begins. She will also provide praise ministry.
- To begin the service, the men's group will lead the congregation in singing some well-known hymns.
- Pastor Fred Wilgenburg will be leading us in our morning worship time. Pastor Fred is the pastor and chaplain at New Roots Ministry in Sioux Falls.

\*Please stand if you are able

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

TUESDAY: 7 p.m. – Buildings and Grounds Team

THURSDAY: 2 p.m. – Come and spend some time with the residents at Dakota Sun for a short devotion and fellowship They would appreciate seeing you again!

Leader – Marion

Refreshments – Susan

**FUTURE DATES**

July 24-29.....	Rocky Mountain High
July 26.....	Serve a meal at Freedom's Gate
July 28 .....	FRC will become a 'vote center' because of the Samara Ave. construction
August 2.....	New Member Class
August 22.....	Prayer Walk
August 23.....	Outdoor Worship Service
September 14.....	Serve a meal at Harvest Table in Brookings

**PRAYERS AND PRAISE**

PRAYER CONCERNS:

Your on-going prayers for others in need of healing and those taking treatments would also be appreciated: **George Cotton, Gary Egeberg, Whitney Goetsch, Lois Kleinjan, Jodi Koerner, Bernita Kooima, Dawn Lucas, Tammy Mullett, Joel Schonewill, Harold Van Hoepen, and Gina Vander Wal**

**Darcy Kasdorf** had a procedure on Tuesday to address the concern in the vein in her leg. The procedure went well. She would appreciate our prayers that no blood clots develop.

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** and **Carolyn Cotton** are at Dakota Sun

in Volga and **Adriana Kleinjan** and **Harold Van Hoepen** who are homebound.

PASTOR GARY AND ROBYN will be attending a Pastor's Conference at the Billy Graham Retreat Center. They will leave today and return on Monday, July 20. If you have any spiritual needs during this time, please contact one of the elders, Bryon Mullett, Daniel Ostrem, Jason Hove, or Michelle Vander Wal.

WE EXTEND OUR SYMPATHY to the family of Carol (Cotton) Fisher, a sister-in-law of Carolyn Cotton. May the God of all comfort be near to the family. Funeral arrangements are pending.

THE CADET INTERNATIONAL CAMPOREE is July 15-22. The Volga club has four attending: Jarrett Runia and Cam Gross as Cadets, Riley Van Heerde as a junior counselor, and Steve Van Heerde as an assistant camp director. Please be in prayer for safe travels, good experience and growing close to God while camping in a wilderness setting. Around 1100 are registered as Cadets and counselors from all over the US and Canada, along with a few from Ukraine, Kenya, New Zealand and Brazil. The group will depart for Kamp Longview near Longview, Alberta, Canada (approximately an hour south of Calgary) on Monday morning, July 13 and hope to arrive back home on Thursday night, July 23. The theme is 'Mountains of Blessings'. Please pray that all experience God's many blessings in our time together.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

NEW MEMBER CLASS: Would you like to make FRC your official church home? Pastor Gary is having a class on **Sunday, August 2**. Time is still to be TBD. Come and learn everything you need to know about joining FRC. Please contact Pastor Gary if you plan to attend.

INSPIRATION HILLS is still looking for a **volunteer nurse** for one of the camps (July 20-24). More information is posted on the bulletin board.

FREEDOM'S GATE: The MESA Team is inviting everyone to join them as they worship with the Freedom's Gate congregation on Sunday, **July 26 at 5 p.m.** This is a ministry that we support which is designed to give those exiting prison a church home and a welcoming congregation. The MESA Team will be providing a meal for all those in attendance. If you are willing to donate a pan of bars, or help prepare and serve the food, or provide a roaster, please sign on the sheet provided in the fellowship hall. Tim Goetsch has more details.

THE SERVICE PROJECT FOR JULY/AUGUST is gathering items on a wish list for the Volga Christian School. When a list comes from the school, please check 'the ladder' for what is needed.

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Ushers: Jerry and Cam Heier

Nursery: Bev Cotton and Rebecca Olson

Coffee Servers: Tom and Carol Kleinjan

Offering: General Fund and Building Fund

THE VOLGA CHRISTIAN SCHOOL is requesting nominations to the school board for a 3-year term. Per the constitution, nominations must be submitted prior to the regular monthly meeting which is July 14. Nominees must be confessing members, in good standing, of a Christian church. Election will take place at the VCS Annual Society Meeting on July 27 at 7 p.m. at the school.

Discussion will be held at the society meeting for amendments to the constitution in regard to Article 4:VCS Board and Article 5: Officers.

All society members are strongly encouraged to attend this annual meeting.

Please submit nominations to any board member by July 14.

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