**Welcome to Worship with First Reformed Church**
**November 1, 2026**
**Rev. Luke Baehr**

*Today, we remember the faithful believers who have gone before us. May their witness encourage us as we worship the God who remains faithful through every generation.*

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

**GOD GATHERS US**
**Call to Worship**
***Opening Praise** *That's Why We Praise Him*
*Speak, O Lord*
*King of Kings*
**Assurance of Pardon**
**Welcome & Peace**
**Refrain of Thanks** *Shine, Jesus, Shine*

**GOD SPEAKS TO US**
**Prayer of Illumination**
**Children's Message** (Kids Church – ages 3-4th grade meet downstairs)
**Scripture** Samuel 24:1-20
**Sermon** "Helping God Out"

**GOD INVITES US TO RESPOND**
**Announcements**
**Celebration of the Lord's Supper**
**Prayers of the Church**

**GOD SENDS US OUT**
***Sending** *Now I Belong to Jesus*
***Benediction**
***Closing Doxology** *Glorify Your Name*

***Next Week's Scripture:*** Jeremiah 32:1-15

## Those Serving Today
**Pianist:** Darlene Minnema
**Nursery:** Jaime & Zoe Kok

**Kids Church – Today**
**Leader:** Holly Pfeffer
**Helper:** Saige Pfeffer & Lydia VanBuren

**Coffee Hour**
David & Lois Wendlandt

## Those Serving Next Sunday
**Kids Church – November 8**
**Leader:** Niki VanBeek
**Helper:** Annika Reed & Liana VanBeek

**Coffee Hour**
Hugh & Jana Roberts

## 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
Welcome to all who have gathered to praise God today. May we worship with grateful hearts and reach out to one another in the love and fellowship of Christ.

**ARC Transfer: Congregational Meeting TODAY** - In August, Consistory unanimously approved a proposal to transfer Randolph First Reformed Church from the Reformed Church in America (RCA) to the Alliance of Reformed Churches (ARC). This transfer must be finalized by a full congregational vote (with a 3/4 majority) at a Special Congregational Meeting, which will be held TODAY.

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

## This Week's Activities
**Monday, November 2**
**5:30 p.m. –** Women's Bible Study Lesson 48

**Tuesday, November 3**
**6:30 p.m.** – Bible Read-Thru Group
**6:30 p.m.** – Prayer Team

**Wednesday, November 4**
**3:30 p.m.** – Catechism
**5:30 p.m.** – Cornerstone
**6:30 p.m.** – "Shackled" Book Discussion
at the home of Nadia Dybvik
**7:00 p.m.** – RCYF

**Thursday, November 5**
**6:00 p.m.** – Galatians Bible Study

**Sunday, November 8**
**9:00 a.m.** – Morning Worship
Pianist: Lois Wendlandt
Nursery: Amy & Tessa Reed

## Announcements
**Baptism: Beckett Davis Retzlaff** - Sunday, November 8, we are celebrating with Aaron and Jenna and the rest of the Retzlaff family, as they bring their son, Beckett, to receive the sacrament of baptism. Please remember to pray for Beckett and his family as they take this first step in Beckett's life with Christ.

**Prayer for Suffering Christians** - The beginning of November is annually a time for Christians around the world to intercede for brothers and sisters in areas where it is hardest to be a Christian. The official International Day of Prayer is November 1, but prayer groups are held throughout the week for Christians who live daily under surveillance, discrimination and persecution for their love for Christ. We will be holding our own prayer gathering after worship on November 8. *"Remember the prisoners as if chained with them."* (Heb.13:3).

**Community Art Night at The Gathering Place** – Saturday, November 14, 6:00-8:00 PM. Enjoy an evening of creativity, fellowship, and fun! Learn basic painting techniques, bring your own project, or simply create alongside friends and neighbors. All skill levels are welcome.

**Operation Christmas Child** – Share God's love with children around the world through Operation Christmas Child! Shoeboxes and instruction labels are available on the table in the narthex. Please review the packing guidelines, approved items list, and shipping information before filling your box. Shipping may be paid for online using the link provided on the label. If you prefer not to pay online, you may include cash or a check in an envelope, and we will submit the shipping payment on your behalf. Please return your completed shoeboxes by Sunday, November 22, for the Children's Message.

**Fun Timers -** Make plans to join us on Wednesday, November 18 at NOON as we gather to celebrate Thanksgiving. Creamy turkey on a bun will be provided, and we ask that you bring a salad or dessert to share. Enjoy an afternoon filled with delicious food, warm fellowship, and plenty of fun. We look forward to seeing you there!

**GEMS** - A new season of GEMS is almost here! Our kick-off meeting will be Monday, November 9 from 6-7:30pm at Second Christian Reformed Church in Randolph. GEMS is a Christian Club for girls from 2nd-8th grade. At our meetings we study our theme, do crafts, sing, do badges, and have special theme nights. Register online at https://forms.gle/NHubnwYgwxkbFhQS6 before our first meeting. We are also looking for one or two women who would be willing to be a part of the GEMS program as a helper or Counselor. Call or Text Elizabeth at 920-210-3685 with any questions!