**FIRST REFORMED CHURCH**

**TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAYAFTER PENTECOST**
**November 15, 2026 9:30 A.M.**

**Pastor**: Gary Mulder
**Organ** – Joyce Post
**Keyboard:** Karen Knutson
**Men's Group**

If you feel more comfortable during the cold/flu season not shaking hands, you may greet someone with a 'soft' fist bump, wave of the hand or just a verbal Good Morning!

PRELUDE
WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS
CALL TO WORSHIP
HYMNS: 436 – *Take My Life and Let It Be*
466 – *O Jesus, I Have Promised*
* 317 – *Love Lifted Me*
* OPENING PRAYER
* GREETING ONE ANOTHER

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PRAISE MINISTRY: *How Good God Is* (by Brandon Lake)
Robyn Mulder

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER and LORD'S PRAYER
OFFERING (General Fund and Building Fund)
CHILDREN'S OFFFERING (Compassion Child – Nelly and Raj)
***(Please sign the friendship pads as the offering is received)***
* DOXOLOGY: (page 623)
* OFFERTORY PRAYER

SCRIPTURE: 1 Kings 21:17-29 p. 564
MESSAGE: ***Elijah – The Assignment***

* HYMN: 535 – *Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak*
* BENEDICTION
* CLOSING HYMN: 481 – *All the Way My Savior Leads Me* (vs. 1)

*** Please stand if you are able**

## TODAY

**A WARM WELCOME** is extended to all who have come to join us in worship and praise. May you experience the joy of the Lord as we gather today.
After the service, you are invited to the fellowship hall for conversation and coffee or a cold drink.

SERVING THE LORD TODAY:
Greeters: Justin and Melissa Olson Family
Ushers: Jim and Karen Janssen
Nursery: Roberta Volkers and Kinsley Sapp
Coffee Servers: Keith and Shirley Van Duyn

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES TODAY:
We have classes for ALL ages. The children (Pre-primary-5th grade) will have a time of singing in the large northeast Sunday School room at 11 a.m. Instruction in the classroom will be from 11:15-11:45 a.m.
All other classes will begin at 11 a.m.
The adult class led by Pastor Gary meets in the sanctuary and will continue a series of discussions on the book of Acts. Today's topic is 'Breakthrough Miracle Power' from Acts chapters 8-10. This is a video series by Louie Giglio.

**NEXT SUNDAY:**

- The praise band will begin the service by leading the congregation in singing some praise songs.
- Pastor Gary will conclude the series on the prophet Elijah.
- Jamie Tucker will provide ministry of praise.
- The morning service will include a time to prepare for the sacrament of Holy Communion on November 29.
- The Operation Christmas Child boxes are due.

## THIS WEEK'S OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHRISTIAN GROWTH

MONDAY: 7 p.m. – Fresh Hope

WEDNESDAY 3 p.m.. – Men's Disciple Group
4:15-5:15 p.m. Bell Choir Practice
**NOTE THE CHANGE OF DATE AND TIME**
6:30 p.m. – Cadets at CRC
7 p.m. – Senior High Youth Group

THURSDAY: 2 p.m. – Dakota Sun Program/Fellowship
Leader – Carol; Refreshments – Betty B.

**FUTURE DATES**

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| November 25…… | Thanksgiving Eve Service |
| November 28…… | Decorating for Advent/ Christmas |
| November 29…… | Communion |
| December 5…….. | Bake Sale at the Beta Psi Gallery of Gifts |
| December 6…… | Annual Congregational Meeting |
| December 11……. | VCS Christmas Program at FRC |

## PRAYERS AND PRAISE

PRAYER CONCERNS:
**Howard Lindberg** has viral pneumonia and is home bound. Howard would like to thank everyone for their prayers and concern. A special thanks is extended to Pastor Gary for his prayers with him.
Please be in prayer for **Dee Santema** as a spot of cancer has been detected on her liver. Pray for her and the doctors as they consider a path of treatment.

Your on-going prayers for others in need of healing and those taking treatments would also be appreciated: **Gary Egeberg, Sandi Franklin, Whitney Goetsch**, **Darcy Kasdorf, Lois Kleinjan**, **Jodi Koerner, Bernita Kooima, Dawn Lucas, Bernice Mullett, Tammy Mullett, Ken Pederson, Russ Raatz, Joel Schonewill, Harold Van Hoepen,** and **Gina Vander Wal.**

Also continue to pray for **Howard Rozendal** who resides at United Living Community in Brookings, **Gene Kleinjan** who is at The Neighborhoods at Brookview in Brookings, **Donald Langland** resides 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.
Please take a few minutes to visit our shut-ins. They would appreciate a visit.

I WOULD LIKE TO THANK everyone for their prayers for my sister Lyda on her death and to Pastor Gary for his visit. Thank you for the sympathy cards sent to me. It is good to belong to a church that cares. – Marion Mulder

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

YOUTH GROUP CALENDAR FUNDRAISER: The 2027 calendars are for sale at a table in the fellowship hall. The proceeds from this fundraiser help support youth group trips. Calendars are priced at $10 each or if you are buying Christmas gifts, you may purchase 5 for $40. Magnetic notepads ae available for $5.

FIRST REFORMED CHURCH T-SHIRTS: The MESA Team and FRC would like you to promote our church by wearing an FRC t-shirt. The front logo provides the name and place. The back of shirt will read as follow:

REACHING OUT
GROWING WITHIN

The color will be forest green. If you have never had a shirt, or if you would like to order a new size, please sign the sheet on the clip board on the table underneath the south bulletin board. The cost of the shirt is $16. Payment is due upon receiving the shirt.
**DEADLINE TO ORDER is NEXT SUNDAY, November 22.**

SAMARITAN'S PURSE SHOEBOXES are available in the fellowship hall. Pick up a box and fill it with suggested small gifts for a child in need somewhere around the world**. Boxes need to be returned by NEXT SUNDAY, November 22.**

OUTSTANDING BILLS: Please present any outstanding bills you may have incurred this year to our treasurer, Karen Knutson by November 22. The church fiscal year ends on November 30. Thank you.

THE THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE will be held on Wednesday, November 26 at 7 p.m. We will have fellowship with pie afterward. Everyone is encouraged to bring one pie. Work Group # 1 is in charge of organizing and serving. Co-chairs Carol Kleinjan and Deb Ulvestad will contact the work group members with further instructions.
The offering has been designated for the Food Pantry in Brookings.

A BAKE SALE at the BETA PSI GALLERY OF GIFTS in Volga will be on December 5 at Sioux Valley Schools.
If you are willing to work in the booth, please sign up on the sheet on 'the Ladder' in the fellowship hall. More details will be coming.

NEXT SUNDAY, November 22, 2026
Greeters: Charles and Ruth Sapp
Ushers: Jim and Karen Janssen
Nursery: Melissa Olson and Landon Sapp
Coffee Servers: Jeff and Sarah Sapp
Offering: General Fund and Mission Fund

**(November 15, 2026 bulletin)**