Welcome to Worship with First Reformed Church
Christ the King Sunday ~ November 22, 2026
Rev. Luke Baehr

Some gather here with heavy hearts; others, with joyful spirits. Spirit of Love, help each of us feel your embrace.

Sunday Morning Worship – 9:00 a.m.

GOD GATHERS US

Call to Worship
***Opening Praise** — *Sing to the King*
Be Unto Your Name
Assurance of Pardon
Welcome & Peace
Refrain of Thanks — *I Love You, Lord*

GOD SPEAKS TO US

Prayer of Illumination
Children's Message (Kids Church – ages 3-4th grade meet downstairs)
Scripture — Psalm 103:1-5, 19
Christ Our King: *"Forget Not All His Benefits"*
By His Life (ADVENT-CHRISTMAS-EPIPHANY)
Hark! the Herald Angels Sing
By His Death (LENT-GOOD FRIDAY)
The Old Rugged Cross
By His Resurrection (EASTER)
All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name
By His Reign & Return (PENTECOST)
Soon and Very Soon

GOD INVITES US TO RESPOND

Announcements
Life Together – Thanks & Blessing for Church Musicians
Prayers of the Church

GOD SENDS US OUT

***Sending Song** — *What a Beautiful Name*
***Benediction**
***Doxology** — *Jesus, Name Above All Names*

Next Week's Scripture: Luke 1:5-25

Those Serving Today

Pianist: Mary Paul
Nursery: Wendy Holwerda & Nichole Roach

Kids Church – Today
Leader: Holly Pfeffer
Helper: Annika Reed & Frederick Baneck

Coffee Hour
Darlyn DeYoung

Those Serving Next Sunday

Kids Church – November 29
Leader: Tessa Reed
Helper: Vince Reed & Lydia VanBuren

Coffee Hour
Don & Jackie Cupery

Today

As the church year draws to a close, we celebrate Christ our King. Let us worship Jesus, the One who was, who is and who is to come! Amen.

Christmas Program Practice - Christmas Program practice starts TODAY. 3K-2nd will meet at their regular spot. 3rd-12th will meet in the front of the sanctuary. Everyone will be done at 11am. Next Sunday the 29th is the same. Those in the skit please plan to stay until 11:30.

Please join us in the fellowship hall after worship for coffee

This Week's Activities

Tuesday, November 24
8:30 a.m. – Mark Bible Study
6:30 p.m. – Bible Read-Thru Group

Wednesday, November 25
6:30 p.m. – Thanksgiving Eve Service @ TGP

Thursday, November 26
Happy Thanksgiving

Sunday, November 29
9:00 a.m. – Morning Worship
Pianist: Mary Ann Westra
Nursery: Miranda Roberts
Karen Alderden

Announcements

2027-28 Consistory Nominations - Upon prayer and deliberation, the Consistory is happy to present the following slate of Consistory nominees:
Deacon: Seth Braker, Travis Hahn, Stan Holwerda, Travis Rose
Elder: Brian Anderson, Dave Stowell, Amy Vredeveld, John Weaver
Two elders and two deacons will be chosen by lot at our Congregational Meeting (Dec.6). If there is a question of concern regarding any nominee presented, please contact a member of the current Consistory. Thank you to all who spent time discerning nomination this year.

Thanksgiving Eve – You are invited to a special Thanksgiving Eve service on Wednesday, November 25 at 6:30pm at The Gathering Place. Our Service will give space to reflect on God's gifts and faithfulness through the past year. We will also be holding our annual Thanksgiving Offering with a wide range of missions and ministries to generously support from God's blessings on us.

December Messenger Deadline – Please submit all December Messenger articles and announcements to Jana Roberts by NOON on Wednesday, November 25.

Active Service Members Directory – We are compiling a list of active military service men and women connected to our congregation. Their names and mailing addresses will be published in the monthly *Messenger* newsletter so our church family can support and encourage them. If you would like to submit information for a service member, please contact Jana Roberts at 1strandolphoffice@gmail.com by Wednesday November 25 at NOON.

RCYF Drive-Through Soup Supper: **Wed. December 2 from 6-7:30 p.m.** - Skip cooking and support kids in foster care! RCYF Youth Group is serving chili and chicken wild rice with fixings, bread and dessert for $12. All proceeds go towards the purchase of Sweet Cases from the nonprofit Foster Love, which gives children entering foster care a duffel bag of their own with a blanket, teddy bear, coloring book and hygiene kit.

Holiday Family Night – Mark your calendars for a fun-filled evening on Friday, December 4! Beginning at 4:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall, families can enjoy Christmas crafts, prizes, and fellowship before watching *The Star* at 4:45 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend and celebrate the season together. Please note that an adult should stay with any children attending. Contact Beth Derr or Holly Pfeffer with questions.

Sisters Keepers Christmas Tea – Join Sisters Keepers for a special Christmas Tea "*The Towel Story"* on Saturday, December 5, at 9:00 a.m. at The Gathering Place. Women and girls of all ages are invited, so bring a friend or family member and enjoy a morning of fellowship, inspiration, and delicious refreshments. A sign-up sheet is available on the bulletin shelf in the narthex or you can RSVP to Shirley Schueler by calling or texting 920-344-0137 no later than December 2. We hope you can join us!

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