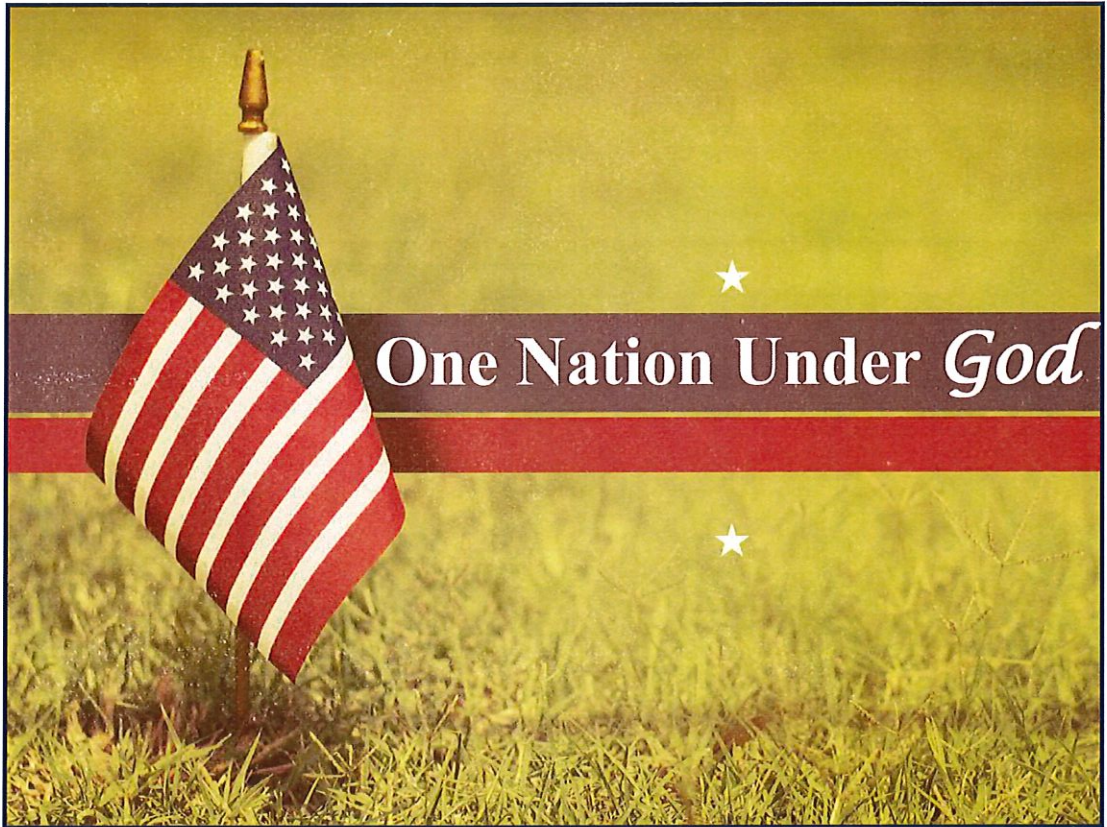


# First Reformed Church



## Our Vision

Seeking God - Nurturing One Another - Reaching Others For Christ

## Our Mission

Our mission as a body of believers is to grow God's Kingdom through spiritual growth, loving and caring fellowship and sharing the hope and joy of God's grace with our community.

# First Reformed Church

July 7, 2019

A sincere welcome to all who have come to worship.  
May the incomparable blessings that come from God alone touch each of us.  
*Praise the Lord. How good it is to sing praises to our God,  
how pleasant and fitting to praise him! (Psalm 147:1)*

A nursery is available in the lower level of the church.

Children's bulletins, children's activity bags and large print bulletins  
are available at the back of the sanctuary.

## Worship Service Participants

	<u>This Week (July 7)</u>	<u>Next Week (July 14)</u>
<b>Greeters</b>	Roy & Lori Lemmenes	Jim & Sharon Levey
<b>Ushers</b>	Chase Van Buren Gage Van Buren Paige Van Buren	Jeff Freriks Jordan Hopp Clayton Jahns
<b>Door Greeters</b>		
<b>Upstairs</b>	Nicole Lang & Family	Wally Beekman
<b>Downstairs East Door</b>	Ron & Henri Raith	Gary & Jan Beek
<b>Nursery</b>	Liz Scheuers Paige Van Buren	Sherry Winter Sarah Lemmenes
<b>Elders Greeting</b>	Ron Schaalma Wayne Tavs Ray Freriks	Keith Jansma Jerry Riel Larry Navis
<b>Soundboard</b>	John Nyhuis	Howard Loomans
<b>Power Point</b>	Katie and Brianna DeMaa	Amanda and Ryan De Vries

### Opportunities This Week

#### Wednesday:

Jr. High Youth Group: 6:00 - 7:30 pm in the Youth Room for Grades 6-8.

Sr. High Youth Group: 7:30 - 9:00 pm in the Youth Room for Grades 9-12.

#### Saturday:

Men's' Huddle: 7:00 am at Helen's Kitchen.

### July Schedules

**Hospital:** Jerry Riel

**Flowers:** Ellen Decker

**Library:** Luanne Hull

## **Worship Service**

July 7, 2019

9:00 am

Prelude: Kim Perry

Call to Worship

\*Praise Song: Old Church Choir (led by the Youth)

VBS Song by the Youth

Children's Message

Ministry of Music: If That Isn't Love - Cheryl Ross accompanied by Jon Schmaltz

Scripture: Acts 6:8 - 8:1 (page 1700)

Message: Stephen's Powerful Sermon

\*Song #52: Blessed Be the Name

Prayer

Offering

Offertory: America the Beautiful - Cheryl Ross accompanied by Jon Schmaltz

Announcements

\*Benediction

\*Song #90: Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

\*Postlude: Kim Perry

\*Please stand if you are able.

## **Church Contact Information**

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## Congregational Care

**Sympathy:** Congregational sympathy is extended to Winky & Jon Dobbratz. Winky's sister, Sharon Harmsen, passed away on June 26<sup>th</sup>.

## Congregational News

**Community Table Meal:** First Reformed will be serving a meal at the Waupun Food Pantry Community Table on July 26<sup>th</sup>. If you signed up for preparing/serving at the Community Table and/or you signed up for donating food items, check your mailboxes for instructions. It is possible you signed up but are not asked to serve for this upcoming meal. If that is the case, we will involve you at the next Community Table meal. If you are assigned but cannot participate or you have questions, call Shirley Hopp at 324-3143. Please bring all food items to the church kitchen by Thursday, July 25<sup>th</sup>.

**Nursery Schedule:** A new nursery schedule will be made for the months of August, September and October. If you would like to add your name or remove your name from the volunteer list, please contact the church office at 324-2321 or [office@firstreformedwaupun.com](mailto:office@firstreformedwaupun.com) by July 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**Missing Children's Activity Bags:** There are activity bags available at the back of the sanctuary for children to use during the worship service. **There are a couple of activity bags that are missing.** If you should know where one of the missing bags is could you please return it to the rack at the back of the sanctuary or to the church office. Thank you.

**School Supply Collection:** The Church Women United of the Waupun Area is holding their annual school supply distribution for students of the Waupun Area School District. A list of supplies needed is located in the entryway. Donated items can be placed in the box in the upstairs coat room. If you'd like to make a monetary donation, write your check to "Church Women United" and bring it to the church office or give it to Jean Tenpas. Items will be collected until July 28<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions, you can contact Jean Tenpas.

## Invitations

**Open House:** Pastor Bob & Barb James will be spending some time in Wisconsin and will be in Waupun on Monday, July 8<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to visit with them, they have arranged for a room at the Waupun Public Library. They will show a short video of their ministry, however their primary desire is to touch base with the people of the community who have been formative in their faith journey.

**Cowboy Church:** Will be held on July 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm at the Peniel Welsh Chapel (W9644 Zoar Road, Oshkosh). Rev. Joe Corbin and Monty Berger will lead the service. There will be Christian music with a cowboy flair.

**Community Blood Drive:** Tuesday, July 16<sup>th</sup>, from 1:00 - 6:00 pm at Bethel Reformed Church (305 W. Main Street, Brandon). Contact Judy Henker at 346-2966 for an appointment. Walk-ins are also welcome.

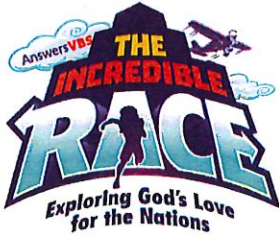
**Gospel Concert:** The Markesan United Methodist Church (74 E. Catherine Street, Markesan) will host a gospel concert featuring The Unity Quartet from Richland Center, WI, on Sunday, July 21<sup>st</sup>, at 1:00 pm. A free will offering will be received to support the food pantry.

### **Waupun and Alto Vacation Bible School Dates:**

- ◆ **Alto Reformed Church** (N3697 County Road EE, Alto; 346-5505)  
"SonTreasure Island" July 15 - 19; 9:00 - 11:30 am  
For 3 year-olds through incoming 5<sup>th</sup> graders.
- ◆ **Union Cong. and Immanuel Lutheran** (525 W. Main Street, Waupun; 324-2254)  
"God's Big Backyard" - Held one day on August 9<sup>th</sup>  
Ages 3 - Preschool 8:00 - 11:30 am  
K - 6<sup>th</sup> Grades (completed) 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

### **Waupun Public Library Programs:** (held at the library at 123 S. Forest Street, Waupun)

- Friends of Waupun Library Book Sale on July 8<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 am - 6:00 pm
- Device Day/Night on July 10<sup>th</sup>. Stop in from 1:00 - 3:00 pm or 5:00 - 7:00 pm with your electronic device (phone, tablet, or laptop) and the library staff will guide you with troubleshooting or operation of your device.
- Lego/Game Night on July 11<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 - 8:00 pm. Drop in and play with Legos or challenge a friend to a classic board game. All ages are welcome; children 5 and under must be accompanied by an adult.
- Program - Lost Buildings of Waupun - on July 16<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm. The Waupun Historical Society will take us back in time to experience the history of our town's most unique forgotten places in this one-hour journey.



### **VBS 2019 - The Incredible Race!**

Ages 3 years old thru 5<sup>th</sup> Grade  
(completed)

July 29 - 31; 9:00 - 11:30 am

Family Night July 31 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm

### **Sign Up for VBS Today!**

- All children 3 years old thru 5<sup>th</sup> grade (completed) are invited!.
- Register by June 30<sup>th</sup> to order your 2019 VBS T-shirt for \$7.50.
- To register go to [www.firstreformedwaupun.com/vbs/](http://www.firstreformedwaupun.com/vbs/), pick-up a registration form on the VBS table located in the church lobby or call the church office at 920-324-2321.

**VBS Family Night!** Wednesday, July 31<sup>st</sup> from 6:00 - 8:00 pm. VBS kids, along with their families, are invited to join the fun! We will be offering a meal, music, skits and fun activities!

**Team Leaders Needed:** VBS is fast approaching and it takes many volunteers to help run it! We are looking for volunteers to serve in these areas: **Pre-school and 1st and 2nd grade Team Leaders.** A Team Leader is someone who enjoys building relationships with a team of children.

- Leads them from rotation to rotation throughout the VBS morning.
- Actively participating and helping as needed.
- Makes sure all children in the group are accounted and cared for and are enjoying VBS.
- Prays over all aspects of this job before, during and after VBS.

Please prayerfully consider helping out in these areas or if you would like to help in another area of VBS, please contact Kari Loomans.

**Family Night Volunteers Needed:** If you are able to help out with the VBS Family Night on July 31<sup>st</sup>, please sign-up in the entryway at the VBS table.

**Vacation Bible School Donations:** Our annual VBS Donation Board is displayed in the church lobby above the information counter. This year we are asking for food and cash donations that will be used for the week of VBS. Donations are due on Sunday, July 21<sup>st</sup>. IF making any cash donations, please make checks payable to FRC and list VBS SNACKS in the memo or on your offering envelope. Your support is greatly appreciated!

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## VBS 2019 - The Incredible Race!

**Thank You!** Thank you to everyone who participated in the VBS Decoration Prep Day! It takes many helping hands to make great decorations for VBS week! We appreciate all the work done and time given. It was a good start and everything looks amazing! Thank you for your support!!

**VBS Volunteer Planning Meeting:** Thursday, July 18<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 pm in the Triple Room.

**Maps Needed:** VBS is in need of some maps (state, country or world). If you have a map you could donate, please give it to Kari or bring it to the church office. It cannot be returned as it will be used for a game. Thank you!

### VBS 2019 Prayer Guide

"Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and **THANKFUL**.  
(Colossians 4:2)

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with **THANKSGIVING**, present your requests to God.  
Philippians 4:6)

"The Incredible Race" VBS staff are so thankful for your prayers!  
Thankfulness blesses God, ourselves and others!

Please give thanks in your prayers for:

- ◆ open church doors to worship God and welcome our community
- ◆ Kari's leadership in VBS, and the direction she has from the Holy Spirit
- ◆ helpers/volunteers of every ability
- ◆ good ideas to incorporate
- ◆ Family Night plans
- ◆ set and theme decorations in process
- ◆ children being registered
- ◆ food plans for snacks and Family Night
- ◆ Bible lesson leaders learning their lessons
- ◆ excitement and enthusiasm for music leaders
- ◆ Sherry and Lori's kind and capable office services

**Keep seeking God on our behalf!**