

First Reformed Church



The Incredible Race VBS was a fun-filled time here at First Reformed this week!



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August 4, 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.

An usher would be happy to assist you with these items.

Worship Service Participants

	<u>This Week (August 4)</u>	<u>Next Week (August 11)</u>
Greeters	Joyce Mills and Julene Kikkert	(Outdoor worship service)
Ushers	Chase Van Buren Gage Van Buren Paige Van Buren	(Outdoor worship service)
Door Greeters		
Upstairs	Larry & Mary Navis	(Outdoor worship service)
Downstairs East Door	John Nyhuis	
Nursery	Katie Flier Jean Tenpas	Kelley Van Buren Gage Van Buren
Elders Greeting	Jerry Riel Larry Navis Steve Perry	BJ DeMaa Ron Schaalma Wayne Tavs
Soundboard	John Nyhuis	Howard Loomans
Power Point	Kelley Van Buren	Amanda and Ryan De Vries

August Schedules

Hospital: Larry Navis
Flowers: Betty Ter Beest
Library: Luanne Hull

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.
(Matthew 28:18-20)

Opportunities This Week

Sunday (August 4):

Prayer Time: Meet in the chapel area by the grandfather clock at 8:45 am for a short time of prayer with Pastor Barry before the worship service.

Tuesday:

Sacraments Requests: If you are interested in requesting baptism, confession of faith or any other membership changes, please meet in Pastor Barry's office at 6:15 pm.

Consistory Meeting: Elders and Deacons will meet separately at 6:30 pm. Full Consistory will meet at 7:30 pm in the Consistory Room.

Saturday:

Men's' Huddle: We **will not** meet this week.

Sunday (August 11):

Outdoor Worship Service: Service begins at 9:00 on the front lawn. Come early and enjoy bagels and coffee before the service! Please bring a lawn chair or blanket.

Worship Service

August 4, 2019

9:00 am

Prelude: Kim Perry

Call to Worship

*Praise Song: Good, Good Father (led by the Lang Family)

Prayer

Ministry of Music: Ken & Kathy Beekman

Scripture: Genesis 1:1 - 2:3 (page 1)

Message: In 7 Days

*Song #63: All Creatures of Our God and King

Prayer

Offering: Offertory by Ken & Kathy Beekman

Lord's Supper

Announcements

*Benediction

*Song #34: He Is Lord

Postlude: Kim Perry

*Please stand if you are able.

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Congregational News

Outdoor Worship Service: On Sunday, August 11th, Set up your lawn chair or blanket on the front lawn of church as we will be holding our 9:00 am worship service outside (weather permitting). Come enjoy a time of music, message and fellowship with your church family. Come and enjoy the Bagels and Coffee Bar before the service!

Women's Breakfast: All women of the church are invited to join Women's Ministries on Tuesday, August 13th, at 9:00 am at Helen's Kitchen for breakfast and fellowship. Please sign-up in the entryway if you are able to attend.

Pie Donations: Each church is responsible for donating pies to the Christian Home Pie Social being held on Wednesday, August 21st. If you are able to donate a pie, please sign-up in the entryway. NO CREAM PIES PLEASE. If you do not bake pies yourself, perhaps you would be willing to donate a purchased pie. Please sign-up in the entryway if you are able to donate a pie. Pies can be brought to the Christian Home on August 21st by 3:00 pm. If you have any questions, contact Keith or Cheri Jansma.

Meals on Wheels: For the month of September, First Reformed will be delivering meals to the elderly of Waupun through the Meals on Wheels program. The total time needed is just one hour each day. As a volunteer, you would pick up the meals from the Waupun Hospital at approximately 11:15 each day and deliver them to the assigned homes in Waupun. Sign-up in the entryway for a week that best fits your schedule.

Sack Lunch Donations: First Reformed is providing the lunches for the Sack Lunch Program at the Waupun Food Pantry for the week of August 12th. This program provides a healthy lunch to children of the community during the summer months. Items needed for the sack lunches are: snack-sized bags of chips, Capri Sun juice boxes, snack-sized fruit cups, loaves of bread, jars of peanut butter and jars of jelly. Please bring your donated items to the church kitchen by August 9th. If you are able to help with donating items, please sign-up in the entryway.

Words of Hope Subscription: If you are currently receiving the devotional from Words of Hope, you should receive an envelope in the mail to renew your subscription. Return that envelope to Words of Hope to receive the devotionals for another year. If you do not return the envelope, your subscription will expire. The subscription is free and there is no charge to First Reformed for you to receive it. When you return the renewal envelope, you may include a donation if you wish but it is not necessary in order to receive the devotional. If you currently are not receiving Words of Hope and would like to do so, please sign-up in the entryway at the information desk.

Invitations

Church Service Invitation: The annual service for Zion Congregational Church (Old Stone Church) will be held on Sunday, August 11th, at 2:00 pm. The church is located one mile north of Alto at N4042 Amity Road. The speaker will be Lay Minister Martina Lindegarde Stanton. Special music will be provided by Anna Lind and the organist will be Joyce Respalje. A free will offering will be held. Refreshments will be served following the service.

Congregational Care

Sympathy: Congregational sympathy is extended to two of our church families:

- ◆ Sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Don Leisten. Don passed away on Sunday, July 28th.
- ◆ Sympathy is also extended to Elton & Betty Ter Beest. Elton's brother-in-law, Marlyn Respalje, passed away on Monday, July 29th.

Thank You: We are grateful for God's healing and for the many prayers offered for us. Thank you for the many phone calls and the abundance of cards we received. It's great to be a part of God's caring family. Wayne & Donna Tavs.

Community Table Success: Five volunteers from our church - Becky De Vries, Shirley Hopp, Makayla Hopp, Zander Disbrow and Carter Disbrow - prepared a meal and served 74 people from our community on Friday, July 26th at the Community Table. Scrambled eggs, sausages, bananas and grapes were served with many of the participants asking for seconds. But most importantly, great fellowship was experienced by all. Thank You God for sending us into the community for your service!

The Incredible Race VBS

THANK YOU VBS VOLUNTEERS!

Special thanks to everyone involved with VBS this past week. Whether you donated food, supported by giving cash, assisted with organization and decorations, served as a leader, served all the great food, shared your music or drama talent, shared your crafts, storytelling or game skills, plus so much more, your prayers were answered because VBS WAS A HUGE SUCCESS!!

Also we raised \$271.88 to support the Children's Hunger Fund by providing 1087 meals to hungry kids around the world.

To everyone who helped in so many ways - I truly cannot say THANK YOU enough! The children were truly blessed, and I know God was at work through all of you! Thank you for taking time out of your busy schedules to be with us and to lead others to learn more about God's Love for Every Tribe, Every Tongue and Every Nation! I appreciate all of you! Kari Loomans, VBS Director

THANK YOU FOR PRAYERS!

"The Lord has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes." Psalm 118:23

VBS has been an "Incredible Race" for all involved. Thank you, prayers, for being faithful supporters of this effective ministry. May the children, families and all involved grow in their faith in Jesus!