

Worship- October 18, 2026 9:00 AM

ORDER OF WORSHIP:

Introit: Bells - Fanfare of Praise, by Louise Frier
from Ringing World, a division of Jeffers Handbell Supply

Welcome - Roxanne Walker

Ministry of Music: Bells - Meditation, by Michael Helman
from a collective Suite for Handbells, from American Guild of
English Handbell Ringers

Video Song: What an Awesome God
(Randy, Nicole and Pastor Barry)

Scripture: Genesis 16: 1 - 16 (Page 21)

Message: The Fruit of Patience

Prayer

Operation Christmas Child: Video (OC - Journey)

Benediction

Video Song: In Christ Alone
(Randy, Nicole and Pastor Barry)

WELCOME



**MAKING DISCIPLES BY SEEKING
GOD AND SERVING OTHERS**

Worship Service Support

Today: October 18

Soundboard: Aaron Lang

PowerPoint: Katie DeMaa

Drew Schumann

Greeters: Jean Tenpas

Elders Greeting: Eugene Lammers

Ray Freriks

Jerry Riel

October 25:

Soundboard: Kurt De Vries

PowerPoint: Becky De Vries

Vivian Graves

Greeters: Wilbur & Elayne Van Buren

Elders Greeting: Steve Towne

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Opportunities of the Week:

Today:

- Sunday School: 10:15 - 11:00 AM
 - Adults - Council Room
 - Youth - Youth Room
 - Children - Downstairs Triple Room

Monday:

- AIM - 9:00 AM
- Bell Choir Rehearsal - 7:00 PM

Tuesday:

- Education Team Meeting - 6:00 PM

Wednesday:

- XYZ - 9:30 AM in the Council Room
- AWANA - 6:00 - 7:30 PM
Theme is “Uniform Night”
- High School Youth Group will participate in the Alto Chase
Middle School will not meet this week.

Thursday:

- “Welcome Center” meeting - 6:30 PM
- The Vine - 7:00 - 9:00 PM in Fellowship Hall for Bible study & fellowship

Upcoming Events:

Monday, October 26:

- Bell Choir Rehearsal - 7:00 PM

Wednesday, October 28:

- XYZ - 9:30 AM
- AWANA - 6:00 - 7:30 PM
Theme is “Creative Costume”
- Youth Group - 6:30 - 8:00 PM
Middle/High School - Youth Room

Thursday, October 22:

- The Vine - 7:00 - 9:00 PM in Fellowship Hall for Bible Study & fellowship

Congregational News:

Job Openings: We are currently looking for a part time Administrative Assistant and a part time Youth Director. Applications and a job descriptions are available in the church office. If you have interest in the Youth Director position or the Administrative Assistant position, please contact Mike Graves or Pastor Barry.

Sunday Coffee Hour: If you are interested in serving coffee after the church service, please sign up on the clipboard by the mirror in the coatroom. The church will provide the coffee, snacks, condiments and supplies. You are not required to bake, but it is your choice to provide additional food items.

New Committees: The church is looking for volunteers for the Welcome Center and Nursery committees. The Council would like these 2 committees running as soon as possible. There is a signup sheet located in the coatroom, next to the mirror on the wall. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Elder Mike De Vries.

XYZ: XYZ will start up again on Wednesday, October 21. We will meet in the Council Room from 9:30 - 10:30 AM. We will be learning lessons from Sinclair Ferguson on The Upper Room.

Discipleship: We are starting something new with discipleship. We have some new tools to use. Pastor Barry is forming a small group to look at them and try them. If you are interested reach out to Pastor Barry.

Community News Board: Please be sure to check the Community News board, which is located across from the office.

Words of Hope Subscription: If you are currently receiving the devotional from Words of Hope, you should receive a letter in the mail to renew your subscription. Complete the card and return that envelope to Words of Hope to renew your subscription for another year. If you do not return the envelope, your subscription will expire. There is no charge to you or the church for this. When you return the renewal envelope, you may include a donation if you wish, but it is not required 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 coat room.

Thanksgiving Food Drive: This year we are going to do our Thanksgiving Food Drive early. On Sunday, November 1st we are going to collect food for the Waupun Food Pantry.

Welcome Center Meeting: Our First Scrappy Church “Welcome Center” team meeting will be on Thursday, October 22, at 6:30 pm at church. We are looking for more team members. Please prayerfully consider joining us with your ideas and wisdom. Any questions, feel free to contact Mike De Vries.

Congregational Information:

Birthdays - Week of October 18th

Vivian Graves, Dianne Allen, Luanne Hull,
Nate Garcia

Birthdays - Week of October 25th

Jeremy Mulder, Phyllis Pluim, Reid Garcia,
Tom Williamson, Dawn Niemuth, Zander Disbrow,
Chase Van Buren

October Schedules

Hospital: Steve Towne (920.324.5691)
Flowers: Sue Straks (920.583.6294)

Stewardship Report

General Fund: \$4994.00
Benevolent Fund: \$1390.00
Total Collected: \$6384.00

Attendance - October 11: 119

Offering boxes are located in the
back of the Worship Center

Congregation News Continued

Operation Christmas Child: First Reformed is participating in Operation Christmas Child. Shoeboxes and instructions of how to to pack your box are located in the entryway. Packed shoeboxes need to be returned to the church by **Sunday, November 8**. The boxes will be delivered to needy children around the world through Samaritan’s Purse. Another option is to go online to Operation Christmas Child and pack a shoebox online.

Looking for Pictures: If you have any pictures of the inside of the church when it was located on Drummond Street, could you please bring them into the office so copies can be made.

Food Pantry: First Reformed donated 55 pounds of items to the Waupun Food Pantry. Items needed at this time are: Hamburger Helper, mac & cheese, tuna, cereal, instant oatmeal, granola bars and Progressor Soup. Donated items can be placed in the bin in the upstairs coat room.

Save the Date! Our church has 40 seats reserved at The Fireside in Fort Atkinson for Wed., June 16, 2027 matinee for the Christian Concert by The Booth Brothers. This includes a fish and chicken buffet and the cost for the ticket will be \$51.95 (includes gratuity). Sign up sheet will be put out early next year. If you have any questions, you can contact Marilyn Hopp.

Thanks for joining us today!

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Sermon - October 18, 2026

Sermon Title: The Fruit of Patience

Scripture: Genesis 16: 1 - 16 (ESV)

16 Now Sarai, Abram’s wife, had borne him no children. She had a female Egyptian servant whose name was Hagar. ² And Sarai said to Abram, “Behold now, the Lord has prevented me from bearing children. Go in to my servant; it may be that I shall obtain children by her.” And Abram listened to the voice of Sarai. ³ So, after Abram had lived ten years in the land of Canaan, Sarai, Abram’s wife, took Hagar the Egyptian, her servant, and gave her to Abram her husband as a wife. ⁴ And he went in to Hagar, and she conceived. And when she saw that she had conceived, she looked with contempt on her mistress. ⁵ And Sarai said to Abram, “May the wrong done to me be on you! I gave my servant to your embrace, and when she saw that she had conceived, she looked on me with contempt. May the Lord judge between you and me!” ⁶ But Abram said to Sarai, “Behold, your servant is in your power; do to her as you please.” Then Sarai dealt harshly with her, and she fled from her. ⁷ The angel of the Lord found her by a spring of water in the wilderness, the spring on the way to Shur. ⁸ And he said, “Hagar, servant of Sarai, where have you come from and where are you going?” She said, “I am fleeing from my mistress Sarai.” ⁹ The angel of the Lord said to her, “Return to your mistress and submit to her.” ¹⁰ The angel of the Lord also said to her, “I will surely multiply your offspring so that they cannot be numbered for multitude.” ¹¹ And the angel of the Lord said to her, “Behold, you are pregnant and shall bear a son. You shall call his name Ishmael, because the Lord has listened to your affliction. ¹² He shall be a wild donkey of a man, his hand against everyone and everyone’s hand against him, and he shall dwell over against all his kinsmen.” ¹³ So she called the name of the Lord who spoke to her, “You are a God of seeing,” for she said, “Truly here I have seen him who looks after me.” ¹⁴ Therefore the well was called Beer-lahai-roi; it lies between Kadesh and Bered. ¹⁵ And Hagar bore Abram a son, and Abram called the name of his son, whom Hagar bore, Ishmael. ¹⁶ Abram was eighty-six years old when Hagar bore Ishmael to Abram.

Sermon Notes:

1. Our Patience Is _____
2. Impatience Reveals Our _____
3. God’s Plans Aren’t _____ by Our Timing
4. God’s Patience Is _____ Than Our Failures
5. Persevere in God’s _____
6. Patience is Trusting God _____ We Wait

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