

First Reformed Church February 9, 2025

At our January consistory meeting Jenn Taylor resigned from her position as Worship Coordinator. After receiving her written resignation, we would like to open the position to anyone interested. If you feel this is something you would like to take on, please see Sheri for a job description.

We will be doing a special recognition for Jenn and her many years of service to the church in the next few weeks.

Meals on Wheels delivery volunteers needed! Sign-up today on the Opportunities Table.

Coffee Cuttin' Club ~ Monday, February 10 from 9:30-10:30am ~ Rock Valley Christian School

Want to spend a few hours a week volunteering? Kids' Block/The Block is looking for volunteers. Mondays, Tuesdays & Thursdays. You can choose the day and the amount of time you would like to volunteer. Call Helen at 454-4026 to sign-up!

INSPIRATION HILLS SUMMER CAMP Registration Opened on February 1 | Register online at inspirationhills.org. In celebration of 50 years of ministry at Inspiration Hills, this year's Summer Camp theme will be based on Hebrews 13:8, *Christ is the Same Yesterday, Today, and Forever!* Inspiration Hills offers a variety of Christ Centered camp experiences for kids from 1st-12th grade. Activities include swimming, team building activities, devotional and worship time, engaging chapel sessions, and more! Check out inspirationhills.org to learn more and register your camper online!

NURSING HOME/ASSISTED LIVING RESIDENTS:

Whispering Heights: *Adriana Dykstra, Faye Gort, Marilyn Van Holland, Clara Bannick, Joyce Van Berkum, Viola Van Driel, Gerri Reinke.* Pleasant Acres, Hull: *Ann Jansen, Duane Ver Mulm.*

Fellowship Village, Inwood: *Jeanette Van Beek;* RiverView Ridge: *Lucy Ymker, Judi Dorhout, Marv & Ella Hoogendoorn, Wayne & Judy Groeneweg, Wilma Schneider.*

CHURCH SUPPORTED MISSIONARIES:

Brian and Elizabeth Bruxvoort in AK; *Amy and Seung Kim* in Bangladesh; *Brian and Donna Renes* in Sioux Center; *Dr. Yohannes Bekele* in Ethiopia; *Josh & Alison Perkins* in United Arab Emirates.

Community Announcements

Love INC Sioux County has a Home Essentials Resource that is open to the community the first Monday of every month. This resource provides paper products, baby products, and cleaning and hygiene supplies. The resource is located at Calvin C.R.C. in Rock Valley. Currently, we are low on some specific products and are asking local churches and individuals to support this ministry by donating supplies that will help restock the shelves. Items needed are: bleach, toilet paper, toilet bowl cleaner, napkins, window cleaner, dish soap, hand soap, body wash and lotion. Items can be dropped off at the Love INC office (1317 Main Street, Rock Valley) or contact our office for pick up (476-5990).

Gather 25! The global church is gathering right now, there are 5.5 billion people on earth who don't know Jesus. If we truly believed He was coming and coming soon, what would we do to reach them? For more information, please pick up a flyer from the Opportunity Table.

Community Health Partners, along with all Sioux County Healthcare Systems, are partnering up to offer an 8-session weight loss and diabetes prevention program, "Choose Health NW Iowa," with the goal of preventing diabetes in NW Iowa and promoting healthy and informed lifestyle choices. Classes will be on Thursdays from 5:15-6:30 PM at Hawarden Regional Healthcare. Cost is \$40 for individuals or \$60/pair if you sign up with a partner.. To register call Community Health Partners at 712-737-2971 or email chp@siouxlandcountychp.org. Register by February 27.

Guiding Star Siouxland's Annual Fundraising Gala will be held March 7 at 6:30pm at Terrace View Event Center in Sioux Center. Join your local pro-life ministry as we unveil a groundbreaking announcement that we believe, after years of development, will reshape the future of women's healthcare—creating a culture where womanhood is celebrated and supported at every stage of life. Panelists include Abby Dahl, who chose life at 17 years old, and Sarah Hurm, who underwent a successful abortion pill reversal treatment. Registration information can be found at www.guidingstarsiouxland.org or by calling 712-266-3282.

Dr. John Vonder Bruegge, a renowned New Testament professor and Greek scholar from Northwestern College, invites you to embark on an unforgettable trip to Greece-May 28, 2025-June 7, 2028. This journey includes visits to ancient Greek sites, several stops from the Apostle Paul's missionary travels, and other significant historical and biblical locations. This is a wonderful opportunity for those interested in deepening their understanding of the Bible and history while exploring the rich culture of Greece. For more information, please contact The Travel Advantage at 712-722-3727. This trip is sponsored by Northwestern College and The Travel Advantage.

Elders:

Myron Van Ginkel '25
 Marlan Hoogendoorn '25
 Berwyn Van Kekerix '26
 Dave Bliet '26
 Rod Netten '27
 Daryl Scholten '27

Deacons

Matt Vande Kamp '25
 Jesse Van Egdome '25
 Weston De Jager '26
 Ross Van Kekerix '26
 D. J. Van't Hul '27
 Brandon Van Middendorp '27

2025 ELDER & DEACON CALLING PAIRS:

Berwyn Van Kekerix & Weston De Jager	Baatz – Claussen
Dave Bliet & Ross Van Kekerix	De Jager - Juffer
Daryl Scholten & D. J. Van't Hul	Kelderman - Miller
Rod Netten & Brandon Van Middendorp	Netten – Van Berkum
Myron Van Ginkel & Matt Vande Kamp	Van Den Top - Vande Stroet
Marlan Hoogendoorn & Jesse Van Egdome	Vande Vegte - Zeutenhorst

CONSISTORY OFFICERS & COMMITTEES FOR 2025:

Vice-President: Myron Van Ginkel
 Asst. Vice President: Dave Bliet
 Audio: Kevin Bouwman
 Chairman of Deacons: Jesse Van Egdome
 Clerk: Marlan Hoogendoorn
 Deacon Clerk: Weston De Jager
 Treasurer for Church Ministry Fund: Brandon Van Middendorp, Matt Vande Kamp (assistant),
 Sacraments: Rod Netten, Berwyn Van Kekerix
 Benevolent: Ross Van Kekerix, Jesse Van Egdome
 Executive Committee: Myron Van Ginkel, Marlan Hoogendoorn, Dave Bliet, Jesse Van Egdome, Matt
 Vande Kamp
 Kids Block Reps: Ralph Bousema, Gary Miller
 Property: Ralph Bousema, Myron Van Ginkel, Kevin Bouwman
 Church Use: Sheri Bousema, Marlan Hoogendoorn
 Personnel Committee: Jesse Van Egdome, Marlan Hoogendoorn, Tim Landegent
 Women's Ministries Service Reps: Ashley Vis, Jodi Van Beek, Laurie Baatz, Donna Miller
 Education: Julie Vande Kamp, Marlan Hoogendoorn, Ross Van Kekerix, Steve Van Den Top, Micah
 Vis
 Youth: Julie Vande Kamp
 VBS: Ashley Vis, Julie Landegent
 Missions: Wilbur & Madelyn Vander Heul, Bill Bouwman, Ryan Blankespoor, Ruth Vande Stroet,
 Daryl Scholten, D.J. Van't Hul
 Music & Worship: Brittany Wiebe, Duane Middle, Weston De Jager
 Nursery: Kayla Van't Hul, Julie Landegent
 Decorating: Deb Kempema, Sandi Scholten, Sheri Bousema

Budget Report:	2024 Budget	\$387,971.00
	Monthly Budget	\$32,331.00
	May Offering	\$11,222.00
	Year to Date	\$95,963.30
	YTD Standing	(\$65,691.17)

*In order to keep you informed, we share these budget updates! Our offerings are behind the budget we as a congregation approved. Summer is here along with all the regular expenses! We ask that you prayerfully consider your tithing. **Thank you for your support. The deacons.***