



## FIRST REFORMED CHURCH

September 8, 2024

9:30 AM

**Prelude**

**Welcome**

**Announcements**

**Call to Worship**

**Greeting**

**\*Song** "Revelation Song"

**\*Song** "Mighty to Save"

**Congregational Prayer**

**Scripture:** James 1:17-27

**17** Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. **18** Of his own will he brought us forth by the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

*Hearing and Doing the Word*

**19** Know this, my beloved brothers: let every person be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to anger; **20** for the anger of man does not produce the righteousness of God. **21** Therefore put away all filthiness and rampant wickedness and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls. **22** But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. **23** For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who looks intently at his natural face in a mirror. **24** For he looks at himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like. **25** But the one who looks into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and perseveres, being no hearer who forgets but a doer who acts, he will be blessed in his doing. **26** If anyone thinks he is religious and does not bridle his tongue but deceives his heart, this person's religion is worthless. **27** Religion that is pure and undefiled before God the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unstained from the world.

**Message:** "What Is Christian Living?"

**Prayer**

**\*Song** "Holy Spirit"

**\*Benediction**

**\*Postlude**

### **Calendar for the Day:**

9:30 AM Pastor Cliff will lead worship.

### **Serving Today:**

**Music:** Praise Team

**Nursery:** Bryanty & Brittani Van Kekerix

**Lift:** Todd Netten

**Offering:** Church Ministry Fund

**Birthdays & Anniversaries:**

Sept. 9: Richard Schwanke  
Sept. 11: Andy Bouwman  
Danice Vis  
Austin Van Holland  
Sept. 13: Devan Van Der Brink  
Daryl & Sandi Scholten (44)  
Bryant & Brittani Van Keckerix  
Sept. 15: Bernie Rhods (81)

**Prayers & Praises:**

*Sheri Bousema* is recovering from shoulder surgery at home.

*Lincoln Oostenink* has returned home from Japan; he is happy to be home with his family in Ocheyedan! He has a great experience and thanks everyone for their prayers and well wishes.

*Lincoln Oostenink & family*

Your donations and prayers, family of God, have carried me along through this sad time of the flood. Thank you. May the church be revived and renewed through this trial.

*Freida Vander Sluis*

We would like to thank everyone for the prayers sent and words of encouragement, phone calls, food brought for the surgery Arlan had. He has recovered and now on the journey of chemotherapy.

*Arlan & Alma Verburg*

We want to express a heartfelt thank you to those in our church family who have supported us and prayed for us during and after the flood. We are blessed to be part of a congregation who encourages and loves one another so well.

*Brian and Kris Vande Hoef & Erica, Islie and Memphis Koedam*

I wanted to take a moment to express my heartfelt gratitude for the church's gift during this challenging time. The recent flood has left so many with next to nothing, and your support has been a beacon of hope and a tremendous blessing. Your kindness not only helped us financially but also lifted our spirits when we needed it most. Your prayers and support have been a comfort to our family. It's written in 2 Corinthians 9:8, "And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work." Your generosity and prayers truly reflect this spirit. We will need continued prayers in the days, weeks and months ahead as there are some hard decisions to come. Thank you again for your compassion, support and prayers. Your thoughtfulness means more than words can express.

*The Bajema Family*

*Andrea, William & Jaelyn*

**NEXT WEEK:****Monday, September 9:**

7:00 PM Elder & Deacon Mtgs.

8:00 PM Consistory Mtg.

**Sunday, September 15:**

Pastor Dan De Groot will lead us in worship.

**Nursery:** Jessie & DD Rau

**Lift:** Marv Vonk

**Offering:** Church Ministry Fund