

First Reformed Church
September 14, 2025
9:30 AM

Prelude
Welcome
Announcements
Call to Worship
***Greetings**

***Song** “Who You Say I Am”

***Song** “What a Beautiful Name”

Children’s Message: Niki Netten

Baptism: Swayzie Sue Van Middendorp

Congregational Prayer

Scripture: Isaiah 40:1-11

Comfort for God's People

¹Comfort, comfort my people, says your God.

²Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her
that her warfare is ended, that her iniquity is
pardoned, that she has received from the Lord's
hand double for all her sins.

³A voice cries: “In the wilderness prepare the way of
the Lord; make straight in the desert a highway for
our God.

⁴Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain
and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall
become level, and the rough places a plain.

⁵And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all
flesh shall see it together, for the mouth of
the Lord has spoken.”

The Word of God Stands Forever

⁶A voice says, “Cry!” And I said, “What shall I cry?”
All flesh is grass, and all its beauty is like the flower
of the field.

⁷The grass withers, the flower fades when the breath
of the Lord blows on it; surely the people are grass.

⁸The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of
our God will stand forever.

The Greatness of God

⁹Go on up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of
good news; lift up your voice with strength, O
Jerusalem, herald of good news; lift it up, fear not;
say to the cities of Judah, “Behold your God!”

¹⁰Behold, the Lord God comes with might, and his
arm rules for him; behold, his reward is with him, and
his recompense before him.

¹¹He will tend his flock like a shepherd; he will gather
the lambs in his arms; he will carry them in his
bosom and gently lead those that are with young.

Heidelberg Catechism Q & A Lord’s Day 1

1.Q. What is your only comfort
in life and death?

A. That I am not my own,
but belong with body and soul,
both in life and in death,
to my faithful Saviour Jesus Christ.
He has fully paid for all my sins
with his precious blood,
and has set me free
from all the power of the devil.
He also preserves me in such a way
that without the will of my heavenly Father
not a hair can fall from my head;
indeed, all things must work together
for my salvation.
Therefore, by his Holy Spirit
he also assures me
of eternal life
and makes me heartily willing and ready
from now on to live for him.

Message: “Looking for Comfort”

Prayer

***Song** “Jesus Messiah”

***Benediction**

***Postlude**



Welcome to the First Reformed Church, we are glad
to have you worshiping with us. Please join us for
coffee, cookies & juice in the Fellowship Hall following
worship.

Calendar of the Day:

9:30 AM Pastor Cliff will lead us in worship.

10:40 AM Catechism & Sunday School

Serving Today:

Music: Praise Team

Sound: Bouwman family

Nursery: Gary & Donna Miller

Coffee Servers: Bev & Jenna Vande Vegte

Offering: Church Ministry Fund
Family Crisis Center

Birthdays & Anniversaries:

Sept. 15: Bernie Rhods (82)

Sept. 16: Sandi Ver Steeg (85)

Sept.17: Marlan & Bonnie Hoogendoorn (42)

Sept. 18: Hunter Van Beek

Sept. 20: Marcia Landegent

Bernie & Fran Rhods (62)

Sept. 21: Linda Wissink

Paul Groeneweg

Brittany Wiebe

Matt Vande Kamp

Prayers & Praises:

Dominic Olvera from RVHS who was involved in a
car accident. He is in ICU in Sioux Falls.

The family of *Axel De Santos* from RVHS who was
tragically killed in the car accident.

For the students and staff at RVHS.

The consistory is looking for more people/families to take a turn running the sound system. If this is something you would like to do, please talk to Kevin Bouwman or Marlan Hoogendoorn.

Next Week:

Monday September 15:

3:30 PM Kids Block/The Block

Tuesday, September 16:

3:30 PM Kids Block/The Block

Wednesday, September 17:

6:00 PM Awana Meal - Pancakes

6:30 PM Awana – Theme: Nerd

JAM

7:30 PM CLASS

Thursday, September 18:

3:30 PM Kids Block/The Block

Sunday, September 21:

Pastor Cliff will lead us in worship.

Sound: Jerry & Kevin

Pianist: Madelyn Vander Heul

Music: Kids of the Kingdom *Practice at 9am*

Children's Message: Bobbi Jo Van Kekerix

Nursery: Brian & Kris Vande Hoef

Coffee: Rod & Lil Netten

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Our **mission** is accepting God's love, growing in the Word and Spirit, serving others.

Accepting...Growing...Serving

Our **vision** is to follow Jesus daily as we love and serve all people.



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