

First Reformed Church

October 19, 2025

A change of dates for the nomination ballots! You will find ballots in your mailbox this week, take them home and review the names. Return to church on or before Sunday, October 26. The Elders will be counting the ballots following the morning worship service.

Save the date! JAM & CLASS will be hosting their Youth Auction on Wednesday, November 5. A light meal will be served from 5:30-7:00 PM with the auction to follow. Please consider donating some baked goods, theme baskets, craft items etc. It will be very much appreciated.

NURSING HOME/ASSISTED LIVING RESIDENTS:

Whispering Heights: *Marilyn Van Holland, Clara Bannick, Joyce Van Berkum, Viola Van Driel.*
Pleasant Acres, Hull: *Duane Ver Mulm, Milt Swier.* Fellowship Village, Inwood: *Jeanette Van Beek.*
Riverview Ridge: *Lucy Ymker, Judi Dorhout, Marv & Ella Hoogendoorn, Wayne & Judi Groeneweg, Wilma Schneider, Wilma Humme.*

CHURCH SUPPORTED MISSIONARIES:

Brian & 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

Whether you're on fire for Jesus or just curious about faith, this night is for YOU! Come and join us at Trinity Christian Reformed Church TONIGHT (October 19), at 6PM, as we partner with Shalom CRC of Sioux Falls for Youth Praise and Worship Night. A free will offering will be taken to support the grieving families of Rock Valley and Granville after their recent tragic losses.

The ESL program needs a volunteer to help a high school boy who recently immigrated to the United States to learn English. There is also a need for a volunteer to teach a class that is comprised of several students. You do not need to speak Spanish to volunteer for either of these roles and materials will be provided. Please call Joyce (470-1010) if interested in serving in either of these roles. Thanks for considering.

All are invited to the 15th annual Gospel Jubilee featuring The Benson Family Singers on Sunday, October 26, 3 PM, at American Reformed Church, Luverne, MN. The Benson Family Singers are a talented family music group from Faribault, Minnesota, known for their unique blend of barbershop, bluegrass, and gospel music featuring a mix of humor and heartfelt messages, aiming to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ through their music. Freewill offering will be received.

Habitat for Humanity Homeownership Opportunity! Are you or someone you know in need of a safe, decent and affordable place to live? Siouxland Habitat for Humanity is accepting partner family applications for a 2026 home build in Orange City. Application forms are available at our Sioux City office at 1150 Tri View Ave. or via email families@siouxlandhabitat.org. Contact Sandra with questions: 712-224-5117. Applications are due October 31.

A NW Iowa Area Men's Ministry, "Mendistry", will hold its' 4th Area Men's Event on Tuesday, November 11 at 7pm at the MOC-FV High School Gym. Our theme for the evening is, "Warriors in War and Faith". Last year's Event brought together hundreds of men to be encouraged in their walk with God. For the last 4 years Mendistry has encouraged small groups of men to meet on a regular basis for Bible Discussion, Prayer, and Mutual Encouragement.

The Event will feature a time of worship, testimony, and our speaker will be Tommy Albers from Orange City. He will share about his experience of being a "Warrior in War and Faith" that will greatly encourage men's lives and their walk with God. Tommy will share about God's miraculous power and protection. While serving in Afghanistan, a bullet entered the front of Tommy's helmet and exited out the back without touching his head. He will share how this experience impacted his life and his walk with God.

RV Christian School will be hosting a Veteran's Program on Friday, November 14. Coffee will be served to the Veteran's at 8:30 AM followed by the program at 9:00.

You are invited to a COMMUNITY Thanksgiving Meal on Tuesday, November 25 at Trinity Christian Reformed Church. Meals will be available in person or to-go from 5:30-7:00pm. The meals are for EVERYONE and are FREE of charge, but we do need you to RSVP by clicking on the QR code (on Opportunities Table) or by calling the Trinity church office at 476-5292 BY November 17. We are also looking for donations of pies and salad, as well as volunteers to help with serving. If you feel led to bless our community in this way, please contact Kim De Jong at 712-541-2998. We look forward to gathering to GIVE THANKS! All are welcome!