

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

## ***Nicene Creed***

**I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages.**

**For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.**

**resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

**Scripture:** 1 Peter 1:3-12

<sup>3</sup> Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, <sup>4</sup> to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, <sup>5</sup> who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. <sup>6</sup> In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, <sup>7</sup> so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

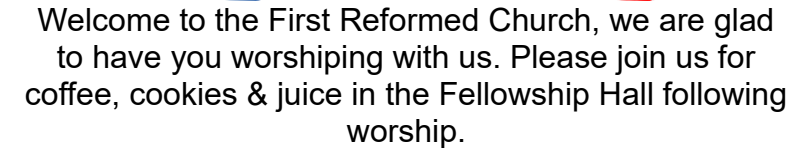
Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory, <sup>9</sup> obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls. <sup>10</sup> Concerning this salvation, the prophets who prophesied about the grace that was to be yours searched and inquired carefully, <sup>11</sup> inquiring what person or time the Spirit of Christ in them was indicating when he predicted the sufferings of Christ and the subsequent glories. <sup>12</sup> It was revealed to them that they were serving not themselves but you, in the things that have now been announced to you through those who preached the good news to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven, things into which angels long to look.

## Prayer

**Closing CD: “Heaven’s Shore” by David Phelps**

**\*Benediction**

## \*Postlude



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

**Music:** Recorded

**Nursery:** Brandon & Meghan Van Middendorp

**Coffee Servers: Self - Serve**

**Offering:** Church Ministry Fund

Dec. 30: Andy & Wilmina Oostra (66)

Jan. 2: Mina Bliek (87)

Jan. 4: Eleanor Van't Hul

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.*

*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.*

**Next Week:**

**Sunday, January 4, 2026:**

Pastor Cliff will lead us in worship.

**Pianist:** Madelyn Vander Heul

**Sound:** Jerry K. & Kevin B.

**Children's Message:** Pastor Cliff

**Nursery:** Matt & Meghan Vande Kamp

**Coffee:** Laurie Baatz & Bud Vogelzang

**Offering:** Church Ministry Fund

**Save the Date:** Thursday, January 8, 2026, the RV Christian School will host their annual Soup Supper from 5-7 PM. All are welcome!

**Coffee Cuttin' Club:** Join us for coffee, conversation, and a little cutting & prepping fun! Come lend a hand to help our teachers get ready for upcoming classroom activities! We will gather no Monday, January 12 from 9:30 – 10:30 AM at the RV Christian School.

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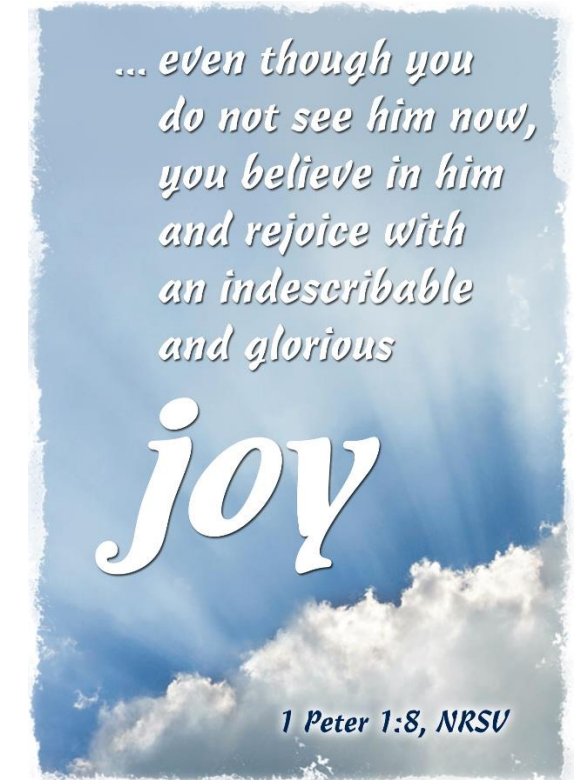
<https://www.facebook.com/rockvalleyfrc>

**Online offering:** <https://www.rvfrc.org/give/>

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

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



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