

FRC Contact Information

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Sermon Notes

Scripture | *Genesis 39:1-18*

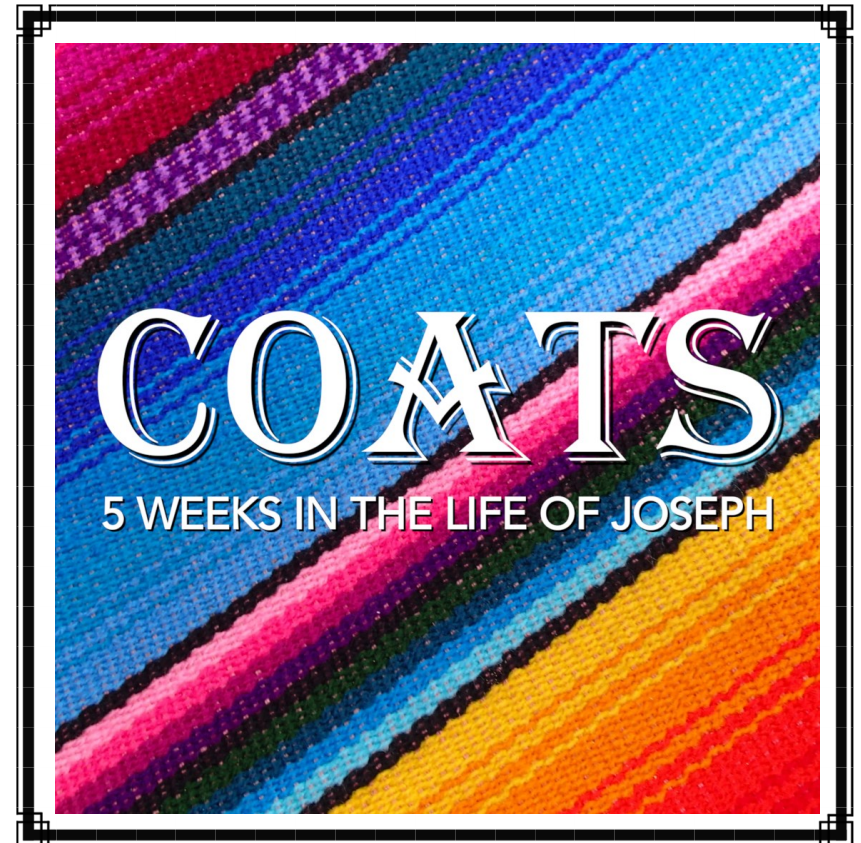
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First Reformed Church

“Building God’s Kingdom One Life at a Time”



“Coat of Temptation”

Genesis 39:1-18

Next Steps Code



April 14, 2024

Service | 9:30 AM

Sunday School | 10:45-11:30 AM

Online: www.sheldonfirstreformed.com/worshipperservices.cfm

GROW

Groups and classes are available for all ages to connect and grow.

For more information, visit the Welcome Table or contact Julianna.

SERVE

Sign up for opportunities to serve Sheldon, on a mission trip, or at FRC.

Visit the Welcome Table or sheldonfirstreformed.com.

YOUTH

Wednesday nights.

Alpha Teens, for 7th & 8th grades, from 6:15-7:30.

RCYF, for 9th-12th grades, from 7:45-9.

Both meet in the Youth House located at the southwest corner of the campus. For more information, contact Caitie.

CHILDREN

During worship, childcare is available for children birth-3 years and Children's Worship for kids 4 years-K.

During Sunday School, classes are available for ages 3 and up.

On Wednesday night, TeamKID for 1st-6th grades from 6:15-7:30.

Visit the Welcome Table for class locations for Sunday School & Wednesday nights.

For more information, contact Julianna.

GIVE

Giving is an act of worship. You can give by placing your gift in the black offering boxes before

worship, text "SFRC" to

833-484-7253, or give online at sheldonfirstreformed.com/give/.



WHO WE ARE

FRC provides worship, discipleship and community to grow in faith in Jesus Christ. Together we are building God's kingdom one life at a time.

NEXT STEPS

Can we help you get connected? Stop by the Welcome Table at the front entrance today to learn about opportunities or visit sheldonfirstreformed.com for more info.

WORSHIP

Worship at FRC any Sunday at 9:30 AM and stay for fellowship during Sunday School. Hearing assistance devices are available for use. Please ask a host at the Welcome Table.

MARCH MONTHLY GIVING

Benevolent Fund:	\$ 5,055.00
Capital Improvement:	\$ 150.00
Family Night:	\$ 651.00
General Fund:	\$ 54,175.00
Local Benevolent Fund:	\$ 5,525.00

2024 Monthly Needs: \$ 55,655.00

2024 Annual Budget: \$ 667,860.00

Average Attendance/Views: 382/81

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

- Apr 14** SPECIAL CONGREGATION MEETING IN THE SANCTUARY FOLLOWING THE MORNING SERVICE: 10:45 AM
 YOUTH RETURN FROM MIDDLE SCHOOL RETREAT: midafternoon
 CREATIVE MOVEMENT PRACTICE: 5 PM in the sanctuary
 ANOTHER GOSPEL BOOK STUDY: 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall
- Apr 15** SHELDON UNITY MEAL: 5:30-6:30 PM @ Living Water Church
- Apr 16** LAST MEN'S BIBLE STUDY: 7 AM in the lounge
- Apr 17** AFTERNOON CIRCLE: 1:30 PM in the lounge
- Apr 18** PRAISE TEAM PRACTICE: 6:30 PM - Sound & Camera Techs please attend
 ELDERS/DEACONS MEETINGS: 6:30 PM
 CONSISTORY MEETING: 7:30 PM in Youth House

NEXT WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

- Apr 21** CREATIVE MOVEMENT PRACTICE: 5 PM - Subject to possible cancellation due to sanctuary preparation for painting.
- Apr 22-May 4** SANCTUARY CLOSED FOR PAINTING: See insert for specifics
- Apr 24** LAST FAMILY NIGHT: Meal will be served on the south lawn area
- Apr 25** EVENING CIRCLE: **7 PM IN THE YOUTH HOUSE** - note change of location

Do you enjoy home & seasonal decorating?



FRC is looking for a volunteer or volunteers to do the seasonal & holiday decorating at the church. We have one person who is interested but she doesn't want to do this by herself. Please contact Pastor Paul if you would like to know more information.

WEEKLY WEDNESDAY - April 17

- 5:15-6:30 PM: Family Night Meal - **Tex-Mex Potato Casserole**
 6:15-7:30 PM: Alpha Teens
 6:15-7:30 PM: TeamKID
 6:30-7:30 PM: Adult Bible Study
 7:45-9 PM: RCYF

UPCOMING EVENTS & DATES TO REMEMBER

- Apr 14** SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING FOLLOWING SERVICE
Apr 17 Last Wednesday Night Adult Bible Study
Apr 22-May 4 Church Sanctuary is being painted
Apr 24 Last Family Night and Meal - Outside on the South Lawn (weather permitting)
Apr 28 9:30 AM Worship at Sheldon Christian School
No Sunday School, Nursery, or Children & Worship
May 1 TeamKID Pizza Party
May 10 Film at the Football Field - *Facing the Giants*
May 19 Last day of Sunday School



IT'S TAKE YOUR TRACTOR TO CHURCH SUNDAY - JUNE 30

"It's time to get our your vintage tractors, clean 'em up,
gas 'em up, and take 'em for a ride."

Watch for more info in future bulletins and the Encore!

SUNDAY SERVANTS

TODAY - April 14

SOUND/VIDEO

9:30 AM: Jim, Taylor, Wendy & Joshua

FIRST IMPRESSIONS TEAM: #2

MORNING COFFEE: Denise B

ELDER PRAYER: Mike Kleinwolterink

FRONT DOOR: Galen Van Velzen

CHILDREN & WORSHIP: Julianna K,
Katie VP & Jori W

NURSERY: Darren & Amanda DG

SUNDAY SCHOOL NURSERY: Robby &
Amanda C

ORGAN: Deanna

PRAISE TEAM: 9:30 AM

VOCALS: Marv, Brian, Laura, Melissa &
Shannon

PIANO: JoElyn

BASS: Noah

DRUMS: Luke

NEXT WEEK - April 21

SOUND/VIDEO

9:30 AM: Mitch, Twyla, Olivia

FIRST IMPRESSIONS TEAM: #3

MORNING COFFEE: Tami K

ELDER PRAYER: Marwin Vogel

FRONT DOOR: Jamie Elgersma

CHILDREN & WORSHIP: Sheila P, Jill H
& Harper VM

NURSERY: Katie VP & Avery DH

SUNDAY SCHOOL NURSERY:
Jacob & Sami F

ORGAN: --

PRAISE TEAM: 9:30 AM

VOCALS: Brett, Koby, Rachel, Audrey &
Caitie

PIANO: JoElyn & Lydia TC

BASS: Noah

DRUMS: Jason

PRAYERS & PRAISES

- ◆ Pray for Gene & Marlys Den Hartog. Gene will be having heart surgery on April 18.
- ◆ Pray for Rodney & Laura Kruse, and their three sons - Connor, Wesley and Clay. Rodney's father died. Pray for comfort in their family's time of loss.
- ◆ Please pray for Ed Dykstra. He broke his hip and is in the local hospital.
- ◆ Pray for Blake & Kim Petersen. Pray for a good report on April 24 when he sees his oncologist again.
- ◆ Pray for those in our church who are recovering from recent surgeries and other health issues - Jim Riemersma, Lola Whitsell, Betty Gonnerman, and Amy Renaud.
- ◆ Pray for Shannon Baack and her whole team as they give their talks for the prison ministry, Women at the Well, on April 19-21 in Pierre, SD. Pray that God gives them the words He wants the women to hear.
- ◆ Pray for Haiti and its people. Pray for the violence to end and for a noncorrupt government that will bring the gang activity to an end.
- ◆ Pray the youth that attended the Middle School Retreat were blessed by their experience. Pray that through their attendance they were able to draw closer to Jesus.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO DRIVE THE CHURCH VANS

While Jim recovers from his surgery, we need at least one more person who is willing to pick up and return church members from Fieldcrest and the Christian Retirement home on Sunday mornings. Please contact Darwin Westphalen at 712-324-2748 if you would like to help out, or would like more information.

TOUCH OF HOPE HAITI ANNUAL APPRECIATION DINNER

WHEN: Friday, April 19

TIME: 6-7 PM - Social/Meal Hour

7 PM Ministry Update

WHERE: Calico Skies, 2368 Able Blvd., Inwood, IA

If you would like to attend, please send a RSVP to

touchofhopehaiti@gmail.com.

New Adult Sunday School Class

A new Sunday school class called "Digging Deeper" will be offered beginning April 7 in the choir room on the lower level. The class will "dig deeper" into the sermon through deep discussions on the scripture passage and message from worship. Adults of all ages are invited to attend.

Film at the Football Field on Friday, May 10.

The outreach team is hosting a free family movie night on the Sheldon Football Field. Bring blankets (no chairs on the field please) for a night out to watch the film, ***Facing the Giants***. Free food will be served from the concession area starting at 6:15 PM. Please don't take food onto the field. The movie will start at 7:00 PM. Following the movie, you're invited to join us for a discussion on the film. This is a free event so please bring your friends and neighbors, and help spread the word!

There are also plenty of opportunities for serving at the movie night: greeting people, praying and helping lead the discussion, grilling and serving food. We would appreciate any help! Check out the sign-up sheet at the Welcome Table.

GRADUATION IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER

If you are or will be a graduate, please submit the following items:

- ◆ Graduates from high school: a baby picture, senior picture and a short blurb of your future plans via email to Caitie at fcyouth@outlook.com.
- ◆ College graduates: a graduation picture and short blurb of your future plans via email to Wendy at fcsecretary@outlook.com.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUR CHILDREN

TeamKID will have an end of the year celebration on May 1 from 5:30-7:30 PM. All TeamKID students and leaders are invited to attend! We will have pizza, play games, and have fun celebrating the great year we have had.

Register Your Child for Summer Camp

Save money by registering before April 15 to receive the Early Bird Discount!

FRC will also cover half the cost of the camp. The camp options fill up fast, so don't delay. To register go to <https://www.inspirationhills.org/summer-camp/>

Camp Firelight VBS is July 7-11 from 5:30-8:30 PM

It will include a free meal, Bible lessons, crafts, games, music, and fun! Children ages preschool - 5th grade are invited to take part in this fun week! Registration for children and volunteers is now open.

Pick up a form at the Welcome Table or visit the church website to register. The QR code to the right will take you to the church website where you may register.



THE SANCTUARY IS BEING PAINTED ... and just what does that mean for us?

On April 28th FRC will not be able to hold worship in the sanctuary while it is being painted. Arrangements have been made to hold worship at the Sheldon Christian School gym on that day. For those of you who are unable to walk or who may need assistance, limited parking is available at the school. If you are able to walk, please park in the FRC parking lot and walk to the Christian School. Shuttles to and from SCS will be available that Sunday.

HOW DOES THIS EFFECT OTHER MINISTRIES IN THE CHURCH?

- 1) The sanctuary will be closed from April 22 through May 4.
- 2) The Creative Movement presentation on April 28th is moved to May 5.
- 3) There will be **NO SUNDAY SCHOOL OR CHILDREN & WORSHIP ON APRIL 28th**.
- 4) The Family Night Meal on April 24th will be held outside (weather permitting) because the pews will be stored in the Fellowship Hall.
- 5) Wednesday night TeamKID & youth activities on April 24 & May 1 will be confined to the lower & upper level classrooms, and the Youth House.
- 6) **Wednesday night Adult Bible Study will finish on April 17.**
- 7) Access to the church offices will only be available through the south door during this time.
- 8) During this time, church mailboxes will need to be accessed via the north/kitchen door. Watch for emails concerning the specific location, as actual location will depend on the needs of the painters & how full the Fellowship Hall & Lounge are with sanctuary items.

SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The Elders and Deacons are calling a special congregational meeting on **Sunday, April 14th at 10:45 AM in the sanctuary.** It is an informational meeting about an opportunity to purchase the property at 1011 7th Street, adjacent to the FRC parking lot. No decision has been made, but some research on the property has been carried out which will help influence a future final decision. Members of FRC are invited to attend to hear about that research and to share their voices on the matter. Then with all this information, the Elders and Deacons will come to a decision about the next step as needed.