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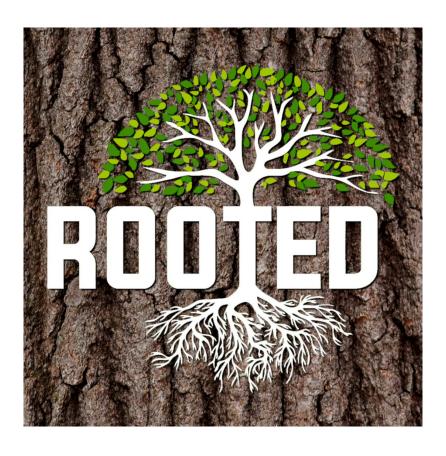
Sermon Notes

Scripture | Luke 23:1-25 Speaker | Paul Van Maaren

First Reformed Church 1101 7th Street Sheldon, Iowa 51201

First Reformed Church

"Building God's Kingdom One Life at a Time"



"Time, Date & Purpose" Luke 23: 1-25

Next Steps Code



March 30, 2025 Worship | 9:30 AM Sunday School | 10:45 - 11:30 AM

Online: www.sheldonfirstreformed.com/worshipservices.cfm

GROW

Groups and classes are available for all ages to connect and grow. For more information, visit the Welcome Table or contact Wendy.

SERVE

Sign up for opportunities to serve Sheldon, on a mission trip, or at FRC. Visit the Welcome Table or sheldonfirstreformed.com.

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/.

YOUTH

Our Wednesday night ministry for 7th & 8th grades will meet at 6:15-7:30 PM. Our high school will meet at 7:45-9 PM. Both meet in the Youth House at the southwest corner of the campus. Contact Caitie at caitie@sheldonfirstreformed.com or check for updates on Facebook, frcsheldon-student ministries.

CHILDREN

During worship, childcare is available for children birth-3 and Children & Worship for kids 4 years—K. During Sunday school, classes are available for ages 3 and up. On Wednesday night, TeamKID for grades 1-6 is from 6:15-7:30 PM. For more information, contact the church at sami@sheldonfirstreformed.com.



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.

FEBRUARY MONTHLY GIVING

General Fund: \$ 40,601.51 Benevolent Fund: \$ 6,317.00

2025 Monthly Needs: \$ 48.842.50 2025 Annual Budget: \$ 586,110.06

Average Attendance/Views: 297/106

Monthly Volunteer Hours:

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

Mar 30 PRAISE TEAM PRACTICE: 8 AM - sound & camera techs too please

CREATIVE MOVEMENT PRACTICE: 5 PM

Apr 1 MEN'S BIBLE STUDY: 7 AM in the church lounge - last one

Apr 3 EXECUTIVE TEAM MEETING: 7 AM in the Pastor's study

Apr 5 WOMEN TO WOMEN PUZZLE & PIZZA NIGHT: 4-6 PM in the

Fellowship Hall

NEXT WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

Apr 6 YOUTH SUNDAY

8 AM PRAISE TEAM PRACTICE

3 YR-K PALM SUNDAY PRACTICE: go to Rm 12 as usual

Apr 9 MIDDLE SCHOOL CLEAN-UP @ CITY PARK: 6:15-7:30

CREATIVE MOVEMENT PRACTICE: 5 PM

Apr 7 OUTREACH MEETING: 6 PM in the church lounge

CONGREGATIONAL CARE MEETING: 7 PM in the church lounge

Apr 10 SHELDON MOBILE FOOD TRUCK: 4:30-6 PM @ Living Water Church

ELDERS/DEACONS MEETINGS: 6:30 PM

CONSISTORY MEETING: 7:30 PM in the Youth House

WHEN FAITH IS FORBIDDEN

Scripture not only sustained the men and women in our book, *Hearts of Fire*, it emboldened them to have the courage to be "lambs among the wolves" (Luke 10:3). Please, bring a verse to share that has the power to bolster your courage to share the truth of God's word in the face of opposing ideologies. You will also be encouraged to share your favorite lesson learned from the great heroes of faith taken from our book. How do you plan to actively apply their Christ-like examples into your own journey of faith? And, how does your obedient response to God's mission potentially have the power to impact the spiritual trajectory of your loved ones, as well as the life of the church in the next decade?

We encourage you to join us even if it might be your very first time! We would love to pass our "Hearts of Fire" onto you. The stories of God's activity in the lives of the men and women in our book, as well as in our own lives, is empowering! Our study will conclude with the blessing of Dan's infamous almond coffee cake!

WEEKLY WEDNESDAY - April 2

5:30-6:30 PM: Hamburger Hashbrown Casserole 6:15-7:30 PM: TeamKID 6:15-7:30 PM: Middle School (Alpha Teens) 6:30-7:30 PM: Adult Bible Study 7:45-9 PM: High School (RCYF)

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Apr 6 **YOUTH SUNDAY**

3 YR-K PRACTICE FOR PALM SUNDAY: go to Rm 12 as usual

Apr 9 MIDDLE SCHOOL - SHELTER HOUSE CLEAN-UP AT CITY PARK

Apr 11-13 MIDDLE SCHOOL RETREAT at Hidden Acres in Dayton, IA

Apr 13 PALM SUNDAY - CHILDREN SING & CREATIVE MOVEMENT

Apr 17 MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE: 7 PM

July 6-9 VBS

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSROOMS

PRESCHOOL: Lower-Level. Room 12

KINDERGARTEN: LL, Room 13

1st GRADE: LL. Room 15

2nd GRADE: LL, Room 17

3rd GRADE: LL, Room 20

4th GRADE: LL, Room 14

5th & 6th GRADES: LL, Room 16/18 7th & 8th GRADES: Tower, Room 32 9th - 12th GRADES: Tower, Room 33

The GUIDE: Youth House

When Faith is Forbidden: LL, Room 21

SUNDAY SERVANTS

TODAY - March 30

SOUND/VIDEO: Mark, Jessica or Nicole & Murray

FIRST IMPRESSIONS TEAM: #5

MORNING COFFEE: Renee VV

ELDER PRAYER: Mike Kleinwolterink FRONT DOOR: Leon Kleinwolterink

CHILDREN & WORSHIP: Erica W.

Nicole D & Claire P

NURSERY: Paul & Molly S

SUNDAY SCHOOL NURSERY: Jacob &

Sami F

ORGAN: Deanna

VOCALS: Brett, Brian, Dennis, Audrey,

Laura & Dianne

PIANO: Deanna **BASS:** Kristin **DRUMS:** Luke

NEXT WEEK - April 6

YOUTH SUNDAY

SOUND/VIDEO: Evan & Devin, Taylor

& Logan

FIRST IMPRESSIONS TEAM: #1 &

Youth

MORNING COFFEE: Melissa L **ELDER PRAYER:** Dan Dykstra FRONT DOOR: Rodney Kruse CHILDREN & WORSHIP: Sheila P.

Jessica J & Jori W

NURSERY: Andy & Kelsey C

SUNDAY SCHOOL NURSERY: Jim & Jennifer G

VOCALS: Koby, Audrey, Joshua & Aftin

PIANO: JoElyn

PRELUDE & POSTLUDE: JoElyn & Lydia

BASS: Parker **DRUMS:** Ethan

PRAYERS & PRAISES

- Pray for our youth, Caitie and their sponsors as they prepare for next week's Youth Sunday. Pray that God will be with them and provide the youth with strength and courage as they step into roles that are outside their usual scope of comfort.
- Pray for Alyda Roetman and her family. Her much loved niece, Ruth Ann Roetman passed away.
- ♦ Pray for Shannon Baack and the group going to South Dakota State Prison for Women in Pierre over April 3-6. Pray that "Women at the Well" will plant seeds in the lives of the women in the prison. Also pray for those giving testimonies.
- Pray for church members who are Prairie View and Cobble Creek.
- Pray for those who are recovering from recent illnesses, hospitalizations and surgeries.
- Pray for those who are unable to attend our services. Praise God that they may join our worship via TV, radio and the internet.
- ♦ Praise God that Sami Fox has assumed the responsibilities of the Director of Children's Discipleship.
- Pray for the renovation in the south wing of the lower-level. Pray that we will be able to complete this by June 1.
- Pray for the VBS team as they plan for this summer's VBS.

NEW WORKGROUP BOOKS need to be made again, so we are in the process of getting names and phone numbers of the ladies and men willing to be in the groups. If you are attending our church and not a member yet and would also like to be in a group, please sign up too. We are changing things up and will have a chairman and cochairman for each group. If you want to be either of these, put a C or CC by your name on the sign-up sheet. We will have sheets located at the Welcome center, table in the overflow room and table in the Fellowship Hall by the TV. Please sign your name and list your phone number(s) under which group you want to be in. We will be having groups for: 1) weekday funerals, 2) snowbird/summer includes summer funerals), 3) church provided food donations (Wed night meals etc.). We will also have a sign-up

sheet for anyone that would be willing to do a little extra by being a substitute for someone or willing to bring food also. Please respond by April 13. If you don't sign up, you will be assigned to a group. If you have any questions, you may call or text me. Joyce Fedders @ 712-539-9945. Thank You.



All of the books and Bibles on the table at the back of the Sanctuary are free. Please take a Bible and give it away to someone who needs one.



Registration for summer camp at Inspiration Hills is open.

Grab a brochure in the Fellowship Hall or visit inspirationhills.org to review the camp offerings and register. FRC will cover half the cost of camp for your child and one of his or her friends. Register early because camps fill up quickly! Save money by registering before April 15.



Share this with coworkers, family, neighbors and friends. Each evening includes a meal for the kids. If you have any questions, feel free to send an email to frcsecretary@outlook.com or call the church office at 712.324.2130.

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES

Multigenerational Mission Trip

Have you been looking for a way to serve God or maybe just looking for something different to help you grow closer to Jesus? We have a great opportunity for you! FRC is planning a multigenerational service trip for July 14-19, 2025. We're hoping to work with a mission's organization and Love INC in Rapid City, South



Dakota to help with some physical work projects and outreach initiatives in their community. This trip is open to high school age students and older. *The deadline to sign up is March 31*. Please sign up on the sheet at the Welcome Table. Ask Caitie, Rodney Kruse or Jamie Elgersma if you have any questions.

Use QR code below to give towards VBS 2025!

Donations will be used for tee shirts, food, supplies, and all other expenses.



TEAMKIDS COULD USE YOUR HELP!

On Wednesday, April 2,

the kids will be preparing 100 dozen Christian Easter Eggs that will be handed out to families at the Easter Egg Hunt at the City Park on Saturday, April 19. If you have some time to spare, we could really use some extra hands to help the kids get this outreach project done. Show up in the Fellowship Hall following the Family Night Meal. Your help will be greatly appreciated and it gives you an opportunity to "Help build God's kingdom one life at a time!"