

FRC Contact Information

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SUNDAY SERVANTS

THIS WEEK - May 3

SOUND/VIDEO: Jim, Wendy & Joshua
FIRST IMPRESSIONS TEAM: #1
MORNING COFFEE: Sheila Z
ELDER PRAYER: Kendall De Groot
FRONT DOOR: Larry Vander Plaats
CHILDREN & WORSHIP: Sami F, Brittany H, Josie K & Shae S
NURSERY: Paul & Molly S
SUNDAY SCHOOL NURSERY: Jim & Jennifer G
ORGAN: Deanna
VOCALS: John, Marv, Tom, Audrey, Abigail & Rachel
PIANO: Shelley
BASS: Noah
DRUMS: Ethan

NEXT WEEK - May 10

SOUND/VIDEO: Mitch, Twyla & Logan
FIRST IMPRESSIONS TEAM: #2
MORNING COFFEE: Donna K
ELDER PRAYER: Randy Fonkert
FRONT DOOR: Brady Peters
CHILDREN & WORSHIP: Sami F, Janna K, Mallory O & Emersan dB
NURSERY: Tyler & Ashley J
SUNDAY SCHOOL NURSERY: Nick & Kathi S
VOCALS: Brian, Tom, Dennis, Abigail, Dianne & Shannon
PIANO: JoElyn
BASS: Kristin
DRUMS: Ethan



First Reformed Church

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



“Walk This Way”

Ephesians 4:1-24

Next Steps Code



May 3, 2026

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 ministries for 7th & 8th grades and our high school will resume in the fall. Some special events occur in the summer - Middle School service trip & Rocky Mountain High for the High School. Contact Caitie at caitie@sheldonfirstreformed.com or check for updates on Facebook, [frcsheldon-student ministries](https://www.facebook.com/frcsheldon-student-ministries).

CHILDREN

During worship, childcare is available for children birth-3 years and Children & Worship for kids 3 years-K. During Sunday school hour, classes are available for ages 3+ years. Wednesday night activities for Awana will resume in the fall. For more information, contact Sami 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 following the service. Hearing assistance devices are available for use. Please ask a host at the Welcome Table.

MARCH MONTHLY GIVING

General Fund:	\$ 45,173.05
Benevolent Fund:	\$ 20,337.41
2026 Monthly Needs:	\$ 48,842.50
2026 Annual Budget:	\$ 586,110.06
Average Attendance/Views:	340/174
March Volunteer Hours:	923

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

- May 3 PRAISE TEAM PRACTICE:**
8 AM
MESSAGE: Jon Opgenorth
INSTALLATION: Kendall De Groot
WOMEN'S SUNDAY
SCHOOL CLASS: during Sunday School they will meet for food & fellowship
- May 4 HANDS OF HOPE MTG: 6 PM** in the lounge
- May 5 VBS WORK NIGHT: 5:30 PM**
- May 7 EXECUTIVE TEAM MTG: 7 AM**
NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER SERVICE: 6:30 PM @ Living Water Church

National Day of Prayer

Please join us as we observe our nation's 250th & the 75th anniversary of National Day of Prayer.

The 2026 National Day of Prayer theme, "The Prayer at Valley Forge," accurately depicts both our nation's history of prayer and that we NEED God's wisdom and guidance in our nation.

Rob Roozeboom, founder of Rise ministries, will be our speaker, among many other guests who will lead us in worship & prayer.

NEXT WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

- May 10 MOTHER'S DAY**
PRAISE TEAM PRACTICE: 8 AM
BAPTISM: ISAAC PETERS
- May 11 CONGREGATIONAL CARE MTG: 6 PM** in church lounge
- May 14 SHELDON FOOD TRUCK: 4:30-6 PM** @ Living Water Church

MOTHER'S DAY BOUQUET

Mother's Day is Sunday, May 10. We are again putting a bouquet of carnations together to honor our mothers and other special women in our lives. A suggested donation of \$5/name is being asked. Any funds collected over the cost of the flowers will go to Beth Blankers Borgens and her work with CRU.

Please get your money to the church office by Monday, May 4. The flowers will go to Sanford Senior Care after the May 10 service.

Make checks out to First Reformed RCWM.



Reformed Mission Services is looking forward to hosting another SEED event in New York City from July 10 to 18, 2026. SEED is a week-long event focused on equipping and encouraging participants for evangelism. Through teaching, hands-on ministry, and fellowship, participants are challenged to live missionally in their daily lives. Rev. Paul Murphy will be instructing participants during the week. More information can be found at rms.org/seed.

Please pray for the RMS group serving in Japan this week. They will be assisting a local church with a mountain retreat, connecting with others through English exchange, social events, and Bible studies, taking part in college campus ministry in Nagoya, and supporting outreach efforts at Christ Center Church in Chiba.

PRAYERS & PRAISES

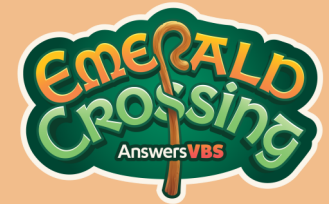
- Praise God for the marriage of Thomas & Madison (Meyer) Den Hartog. Pray that God blesses their marriage.
- Pray for Marwin Vogel following his stroke. Please pray for healing and for his therapy. Also pray for Twyla as she ministers to him.
- Pray for healing and patience for Sheila Peelen as she recovers from her surgery.
- Pray for Muriel Kanengieter & Linda Stellinga as they mourn the loss of loved ones.
- Pray for Nancy Martens while she recovers from her shoulder surgery.
- Pray that Dixon Van Meeteren's doctors can develop a treatment plan that will address his pain and health issues.
- Praise God that Delores Dekker has returned to Fieldcrest.
- Please keep praying for recovery for Ron Kooima, Ingetta Tutje and Paula Van Aalsburg following their recent surgeries.
- Pray for those in the church that are struggling. We often don't know the specifics but God does!

VBS WORK NIGHT

DATE: Tuesday, May 5

TIME: 5:30 PM

Pizza will be provided for those willing to help. There is a sign-up sheet on the Welcome Table for this. Please sign up so we will know how much pizza should be ordered.



MARCH 5 @ 5:30 PM

We are looking for some men to help with construction of the VBS backdrop. There is a sign-up sheet on the Welcome Table if you are able to help with this. We plan to assemble the back drop on this evening. We'll have pizza for you.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- May 17 SHELDON BACCALAUREATE: 7:30 PM
- May 24 GRADUATION - SHELDON & MOC/FV: 2 PM
- June 19-21 TEC #19
- June 25-28 MIDDLE SCHOOL SERVICE TRIP
- July 12-16 VBS
- July 25-29 ROCKY MOUNTAIN HIGH



VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP FOR VBS

There is a sign-up sheet on the Welcome Table if you are willing to help out. You may indicate which area you want to help with as well. Men, we need your help too!

PLEASE NOTE: To ensure your child gets a t-shirt, please be sure to register by May 1.

From Caitie

A HUGE thanks to all of the sponsors who have worked with the Middle School and High School students this year. Without all of your help, our Youth Ministry would not be possible.

Also a BIG thanks to all of the people that helped with the "Amazing Race" for our High School students. This is a really great way to end the year and the kids look forward to it each year.

ADULT DISCIPLESHIP OPPORTUNITIES

- ◆ "The Guide" Adult Sunday School class meets in the Overflow area during the Sunday School hour.
- ◆ **Women's Afternoon Bible Study:** Meets on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 1:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall.
- ◆ **Women's Evening Circle:** Meets on the 3rd Thursday of the month at 7 PM in the church lounge.
- ◆ **New members class started on April 12** during the Sunday school hour. It will be meeting downstairs in the 5th/6th grade room. This is one of the new rooms in the downstairs large meeting space (The Ark Room). It is not too late to be a part of this class. Just show up! More people are always welcome!

Bible League's Spring Salad Luncheon

When: Monday, May 4

Time: 11:30 AM

Where: Trinity Reformed Church in Orange City (201 St. Paul Avenue SE)

Please bring one salad for every 4 ladies in your group. Featured speakers will represent the **Legacy Thrift** and **Hands Around the World** ministries. Updates from BLI will be given, and a free will donation will be received. Join us for this FUN event!

Build-a-Bed Night

Hands of Hope Outreach committee will be holding another bed build on **June 6 at 8am - 12 or so**. We plan to build 10 twin size bed frames for Love Inc. We are looking for a group of 12 people to help with this: high school through senior citizens. Maybe dads or grandpas with children or grandchildren. A sign up sheet will be at the welcome table. If you are unable to help physically, maybe you can help financially towards the cost of the beds and mattresses.



Ingetta Tutje will be in rehab through May 20th or longer. If anyone would like to come visit her or mail her a card the address is: Ingetta Tutje, c/o Good Samaritan Center, Room 115, 401 W. 2nd Street, Sioux Falls, SD 57104.