

Reformed *Inform*er



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"THE UNTOUCHABLES"

How does a church function in a pandemic? The answer, the same as before except it has to think outside of the box and be even more intentional!

The message of grace and salvation is needed more than ever by people who have been thrust out of the routines of their everyday lives.

Everything has been affected from the way we worship to the fairs we can't go to! (notice the Iowa State Fair is cancelled for 2020! Who would have thought!) I could go on and on but you get the picture!

Ask yourself the question, "How has my life changed since COVID-19 entered your vocabulary and your world?"

Remember I asked in the beginning of this article, "How does the church, our church, function in times like these?"

The answer is to be found in looking at the ministry of Jesus.

Luke 17:11-19 tells of a trip Jesus was taking to Jerusalem when he and his disciples encountered ten men who had leprosy. Now leprosy was the epitome of what you didn't want to have happen to you. People shunned you. They went out of their way to avoid you. No one got near someone who had leprosy. They were the example of someone who was untouchable. The Bible records that the lepers stood at a distance and called out loudly to Jesus to have pity on them!

Undoubtedly, they had heard of the power that Jesus had in performing miracles of healing.

As the Bible story unfolds, we are told that the ten lepers were healed but only one came back to thank Jesus. That former leper was a Samaritan. Even before he had leprosy, in the best of times, a Samaritan was an outcast to the Jews. They were the untouchables and were not folks you made your friends if you wanted to be a good Jew!

Now this Samaritan lay prostrate at Jesus' feet. Thanking him for returned health and a cure from that slow flesh eating disease!

Today, the church, First Reformed, has a mandate to be the hands and feet of Jesus. We have the tremendous opportunity to be intentional with who we make contact with in a COVID-19 world. A world where we shy away from shaking hands, where we practice social distancing!

We are in a time when our shut-ins will soak in a good letter from you or even more a phone call that reminds them they are not alone.

And, by the way, you do not need to be a shut in! Our friends and neighbors are eager to "see a smile" even from a distance! Remember the lepers who stood at a distance! We don't need to be sick to have empty and lonely hearts longing to have "the hands, feet and voice" of a Christian friend in their lives.

My challenge to you is this. Use this time to reach out even beyond our circle of friends and acquaintances, and be intentional in sharing the Good News!

The response that you will hear from your Lord will be "Rise and go, your faith has made you well!"

Have a great July in a COVID-19 world!

In Christ,
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 FAITHWALKERS ANNUAL
FOURTH OF JULY
TO-GO
PANCAKE
BREAKFAST
 SATURDAY JULY 4, 7-9:30 AM
 In front of the Sully Community Building

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WORK SCHEDULE

6:30—8:30 am
 Ethan Wyma Krystal Van Dyke
 Megan Van Zante Dylann Huyser
 Nick Williams Luke Kramer
 Brandon Graham Lily Zylstra
 Meleisha Vos Korinne Jansen
 Laci Keen

8:30—10:30 am
 Alyssa Bassett Ellie Dunsbergen
 Dylan Liekweg Jager Huyser
 Callista Hackert Kennedy Kesling
 Brooke Maston Payton Maston
 Logan Allbee Makayla Tice
 Brayden Hardeman



Crud War 2020 was AMAZING!!
 This will be a night we won't forget for a long time. Thanks to everyone who made Crud War possible. We can't wait til next year! Shout out to Kelly at Kesling Photography for the photos! Check out her page for more memories from the Crud War!





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I hope you all are enjoying God's creation this summer! We have definitely been blessed with some beautiful evenings complete with gorgeous sunsets!

God has blessed America! Give thanks to God on the 4th of July for the gift of freedom we enjoy as Americans.

You can download a [6-page patriotic printable Bundle](#) free that contains coloring sheets for the Fourth of July.

Hopefully, you are using your *Take Out Church* boxes. Remember to send me your pictures of you and Flat Jesus! julievfrcsully@gmail.com



As soon as we know more about what fall programming will look like we will let everyone know! We are anxious to see everyone, but we also realize the need to respect and think about the health and safety of our children as well as the many adults who faithfully volunteer in the Children's Ministry areas.

A CALL TO PRAYER

The following article was taken from an excerpt out of Church Leaders. We pray that God will heal this land!

Vice President Pence presented a call to prayer for four different groups of people.

"The American people have long believed in the power of prayer, that the effective and fervent prayer of a righteous person availeth much [James 5:16], and that in everything by prayer and petition with thanksgiving, we're to present our request to God with the promise that the peace of God that passes all understanding will guard our hearts and our minds in Christ Jesus." [Philippians 4:6-7]

Victims of the Coronavirus—"On this National Day of Prayer, pray for the families who've lost loved ones. And pray for those, who at this very hour, are struggling with the severest consequences of the coronavirus."

Frontline Caregivers—"Pray for our doctors and nurses and healthcare workers who have cared for our families as if they were their own, and have not just provided the healthcare that any one of us would want for a loved one, but in so many cases, our doctors and nurses, and healthcare workers have literally taken the place of family and loved ones for patients enduring the isolation of the coronavirus."

First Responders—"Pray for the police, firefighters, and first responders who, without regard to their personal safety, have rendered care and sped those impacted by this dread virus to healing hands. And as we gather today and remember these families and these heroes, and all of those who have labored every day to protect our nation during these challenging times.

Those in the Armed Forces—"Let's also remember to pray for all of the men and women who defend this nation in good times and bad, who wear the uniform of the United States, who are standing a post at this hour in far-flung places around the world, who are deploying as we speak to defend this great nation. Let's remember them as well."

Pence then referenced **2 Chronicles 7:14** in closing: "And on this National Day of Prayer, as we pray for the American people, for every American of every creed, let's do so with faith in those ancient words that Americans have clung to throughout our history: That if His people who are called by His name will humble themselves and pray, let's know that He'll do like He's always done throughout every challenging hour in the history of this nation. He'll hear from Heaven, and He'll heal this land."



BLUEBERRY BLITZ!

JULY 11 & JULY 25

ORDERS DUE: JULY 6

ORDERS DUE: JULY 20

Go to lakeviewconference.com to download the order form or call (641) 628-2160!

Order forms are located by the church office or online! 2 order deadlines: July 6 or July 20

There will be offering boxes set up at each corner of the park.

The offering goes to the LS Ministerium which in turn is divided yearly and given to our local food pantries, community needs as well as Angel Tree Camp.

There will be no coffee time after the service this year due to restrictions in place at this time.

Pastor Brian Ochsner will be our speaker for the evening.

4TH OF JULY COMMUNITY WIDE WORSHIP

SUNDAY, JULY 5 AT 6 PM

Sully Community Town Square

Please bring a lawn chair

In case of inclement weather this will be cancelled
(will cancel by 4:30 pm)



Tuesday, July 7
6:30pm 4 & 5 (west field)
7:00pm 1 & 3 (east field)
8:00pm 2 & 6 (west field)

Tuesday, July 14
6:30pm 1 & 2 (west field)
7:00pm 6 & 4 (east field)
8:00pm 3 & 5 (west field)

Tuesday, July 21
6:30pm 2 & 3 (west field)
7:00pm 5 & 6 (east field)
8:00pm 4 & 1 (west field)

Tuesday, July 28
6:30pm 4 & 3 (west field)
7:00pm 6 & 1 (east field)
8:00pm 5 & 2 (west field)

Sully Reformed (Jacob Van Manen team) #1
Peoria CRC—#2
Federated Fellowship—#3
Sully CRC—#4
Sully Reformed (Jeff Knouse team) #5
Heart of Worship—#6

BLAKE, CATHRYN & PENELOPE DUNSBERGEN

Birthdays: Blake— 1/7/1994

Cathryn— 10/11/1996

Penelope— 4/19/2020

Anniversary: June 10, 2017

One secret ambition of Cathryn Dunsbergen, half of our featured couple this month is to be on HGTV or to be on the Food Network. (I love her articles in the Hometown Press under the What's Cooking section so I think it would be a good fit for her!)

As a couple, Blake and Cathryn Dunsbergen love anything to do with outdoor activities, enjoy hosting parties at their home, and playing board games. Blake is the Process Auditor at Grinnell Mutual in Grinnell and Cathryn works as the Marketing Communications Specialist at Unity Point Health also in Grinnell. In April, they were blessed to add a baby girl, Penelope Rae to their family. As with everything a new baby brings, excitement, joy, love, and exhaustion, they feel they have adjusted as a new family of 3 pretty well!



Blake's parents, Tim and Nicole Dunsbergen raised three boys in the town of Sully, with Blake being the oldest of the three. He attended Lynnville-Sully High School and with his brothers Caden and Carson, and went on to further his education at the University of Northern Iowa getting a BA degree in Accounting and Marketing. Cathryn is the daughter of Dr. Tim and Elizabeth Yoder, and grew up in the Pella area with her sisters Sarah and Emma and brother Thomas. She graduated from Pella High School in 2015 and has a BS degree in Agriculture and Society with a minor in Public Relations from Iowa State University.

Blake and Cathryn value the church's renovation without losing the core values and beliefs. They were married in this church and hope their children will grow and treasure the same Bible stories they did growing up!

Thank you Dunsbergen family for letting us "Get To Know You Better!"



Kat is serving at The Greek Bible College in Athens, Greece. Her mission is to mobilize Kingdom-minded university students to multiply and build the body of Christ in Greece and throughout the world.

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Will you pray and give praise for the following with me: Praise that the director of the college, Jeff, is responding well to his chemo!

Pray for wisdom for Greece's government as we begin to come out of lockdown. Praise that English Bible study is going well. Pray that God continues to bring people who are hungry to learn more about Him through His Word. Pray that students will stay motivated and focused even though it is difficult to have their courses online. Also, pray for the professors as they teach and connect with students. Thank you, my supporters, who give so generously so that others can be blessed and see the hands of Jesus in this way! Pray with me that these women will come to know Jesus as their Lord and Savior and that they will be freed from human trafficking.



- July 1**
Lynn Dunsbergen ~ Tony Torres
Georgia Zimmerman
- July 2**
Rod Rozendaal
- July 4**
Brandon Dunsbergen ~ Matt Schechinger
Don Jansen (80)
- July 5**
Susan Beyer ~ William Dykema
Josh Rozendaal
Wanda Dunsbergen (95)
- July 6**
Ken Van Soelen ~ Lois Rozendaal
Rusty Van Wyk
- July 7**
Owen Rozendaal
- July 8**
Cale Harsselaar
- July 9**
Heidi Van Wyk ~ Kylie Vander Molen
- July 10**
Jerry Jansen ~ Will Kelly
Elana Newell ~ Kate Van Manen
- July 11**
Ken Hackert (80) ~ Karen Jansen (80)
Cole Vos
LeRoy Van Maanen (84)
- July 12**
Makayla Rozendaal ~ Conrad Van Maaren
- July 13**
Howard De Penning (81) ~ Katelyn Doane
- July 14**
Tyson Jansen ~ Jason Van Zante

- July 15**
Norma Harthoorn ~ Kayla Dunsbergen
Carter Shinkle
- July 16**
Brooke Harthoorn ~ Raelee Warrick
Joyce Ver Ploeg (89)
- July 17**
Riley Terlouw
- July 18**
Karla Winegar
- July 19**
Verlan Brand
- July 20**
Joah Harthoorn ~ Major Harthoorn
- July 21**
Gene Jansen
- July 22**
Jay Rozendaal
- July 23**
Monica Nikkel
- July 24**
Aaron Van Wyk
- July 25**
Klayton Van Dyke ~ Jeff Knouse
- July 28**
Lorie Van Soelen
- July 29**
Duane Collins ~ Jayme Deal
- July 30**
Jerald Kunce (81) ~ Mitch Corell
- July 31**
Doug Huyser ~ Shelly Vos
Dick Jr. Ver Ploeg (89)

- July 5**
Derrick & Annette Zimmerman—**12 years**
- July 6**
Darrell & Linda Zegers—**57 years**
- July 12**
Joel & Liz Harthoorn—**12 years**
- July 13**
Ryk & Jan De Goey—**57 years**
- July 22**
Kenton & Kayla Dunsbergen—**3 years**
- July 25**
Dustin & Dana Dunsbergen—**22 years**
- July 26**
Kurt & Arloa Harthoorn—**47 years**
- July 29**
Johnnie & Delia De Jong—**68 years**
- July 30**
Paul & Patty Sneller—**43 years**

The RCA Vision 2020 Team has published its report outlining its recommendations for the future of the RCA. Synod will consider recommendations from the team's final report in 2021. The team has also provided a reading and discussion guide, an updated FAQ, and a recap of the process that got us here to help you engage the report. You can read the article here: <https://www.rca.org/synod/vision2020/reformed-church-in-america-vision-2020-team-final-report/>

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JULY SCRIPTURE WRITING PLAN

WRITING OUT SCRIPTURES IS A WAY TO UNDERSTAND GOD'S WORD AND HEAR HIS VOICE WITHOUT DISTRACTIONS. EACH OF THE SCRIPTURES BELOW SHOULD TAKE FIFTEEN MINUTES TO COPY. SO GRAB YOUR JOURNAL, YOUR BIBLE, AND SOME PRETTY PENS. AND LET US INSCRIBE THE WORD TOGETHER.

- Day 1: John 4:21-24
- Day 2: Deuteronomy 12:4-7
- Day 3: Psalm 95:3-7
- Day 4: Psalm 96:6-9
- Day 5: Psalm 132:7-9
- Day 6: Matthew 15:8-11
- Day 7: Psalm 29:1-4

- Day 8: Psalm 66:1-4
- Day 9: Psalm 86:7-10
- Day 10: Psalm 99:1-5
- Day 11: Psalm 99:6-9
- Day 12: 1 Chronicles 16:27-29
- Day 13: Psalm 5:3-7
- Day 14: Psalm 22:25-28

- Day 15: Psalm 138:1-3
- Day 16: Revelation 4:9-11
- Day 17: 1 Samuel 2:1-3
- Day 18: 2 Samuel 7:20-24
- Day 19: Psalm 68:1-4
- Day 20: Psalm 68:5-7
- Day 21: Acts 16:25-26

Worship!

- Day 22: Romans 12:1-2
- Day 23: Colossians 3:14-17
- Day 24: Hebrews 12:26-28
- Day 25: Luke 10:38-42
- Day 26: Psalm 24:3-6
- Day 27: Isaiah 6:1-3
- Day 28: Psalm 103:1-4

- Day 29: Psalm 103:19-22
- Day 30: Isaiah 12:4-6
- Day 31: Revelation 5:11-13

Proverbs 3:7-3

MY CHILD, KEEP MY WORDS AND STORE UP
MY COMMANDS WITHIN YOU;
GUARD MY TEACHINGS AS THE APPLE OF YOUR EYE.
BIND THEM ON YOUR FINGERS.
WRITE THEM ON THE TABLET OF YOUR HEART.





2020 Prayer Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Dennis, Donna, Dylan & Deven Liekweg	2 Monty, Carol & Kemper Lukehart	3 Craig & Barb Maasdam	4 Curtis & Chadera Maasdam
5 Darrell & Susan Maasdam	6 Denamae Maasdam	7 Doug, Shawna, Brett & Kaylee Maasdam	8 Dwayne, Janelle, Zach & Taylor Maasdam	9 Harlan & Carleen Maasdam	10 Joyce MacKenzie	11 Ron & Deloris McKeag
12 Ryan, Carrie, Dayton & Brock Mortvedt	13 Nate, Lindsay & Parker Nees	14 Alan, Brenda & Elana Newell	15 Austin & Lysandra Newell	16 David, Monica, Katelyn, Alivia, Colton & Mason Nikkel	17 Don, Hollie, Zoey, HarLee & Blane Nunnikhoven	18 Dwayne Ramer
19 Dennis & Melanie Renaud	20 Keith & Glenda Renaud	21 Ruth Renaud	22 Scott & Val Rolffs	23 Alvin & Shirley Rozendaal	24 Brad, Steph, Ashton & Owen Rozendaal	25 Brent Rozendaal
26 Bryan & Myra Rozendaal	27 Earl & Marcia Rozendaal	28 Ellen Rozendaal	29 Harold & Velma Rozendaal	30 Jeremy, Becky, Jay, Case & Caroline Rozendaal	31 Josh, Suzanne, Corrina, Jordyn & Gabe Rozendaal	



2020 Activity Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 East Iowa Bible Camp—July 1—3	2	3	4 7—9:30 am To Go Pancake Breakfast
5 9:30 am Pastor Wayne Sneller 6 pm Combined 4th of July Worship in the Park	6	7 6:30 pm 4 vs 5 7 pm 1 vs 3	8 5:45 am Promise Keepers	9	10	11 8—3 pm Shower
12 9:30 am Pastor Wayne Sneller 10:45 am Christian Ed Mtg. 12 pm Shower No Evening worship 5 pm Jr. High Bible study 6:30 pm High school Bible Study	13 East Iowa Bible Camp— July 13—18	14 6:30 pm 1 vs 2 8 pm 3 vs 5	15 5:45 am Promise Keepers	16	17	18 1-4 pm Graduation Party
19 9:30 am Pastor Duane Laman No Evening worship	20	21 7 pm 5 vs 6 8 pm 4 vs 1	22	23	24	25 8—12 pm Shower 12—7 pm Shower
26 9:30 am Pastor Duane Laman 12 pm Shower in Gathering Place No Evening worship	27	28 7 pm 6 vs 1 8 pm 5 vs 2	29	30	31 Reed/ Van Zante Rehearsal	August 1 Reed/ Van Zante Wedding