

NURSERY INFORMATION

Please contact Trisha Vander Molen or Kaila Harssalaar at trishavk@hotmail.com or kswank15@outlook.com if you would be willing to help out with this ministry! **Nursery alert pagers are available in the nursery at check-in!**

- ⇒ A **nursery** is provided **from birth to age 3**. Our nurseries are located right next to the Welcome Center located on the south west corner of the sanctuary.
- ⇒ **Children In Worship Activities—3 year old—Kindergarten** are dismissed during the service and meets downstairs (stairway in the Gathering Place by the elevator)
- ⇒ The **AED Defibrillator is located in the church office on the 2nd shelf on east wall**
- ⇒ **Cookies will be served in Children in Worship for 3 yrs.—Kindergarten**

In **case of inclement winter weather** the decision to cancel services will be made by **7:30 a.m. for the morning service and 3 p.m.** for the evening activities. Church meetings will be cancelled if the Lynnvile-Sully School cancels classes or is dismissed early for bad weather. Cancellations will be announced on KGRN, KCCI, WHO TV and www.sullyfrc.org, through our FRC email list and now TEXT ALERTS!

SIGN UP for TEXT ALERTS on our website at sullyfrc.org on the home page at the bottom of the page. You will then be notified by a text when services are cancelled!

GIVING AT CHURCH

You can Securely Give Online now at www.sullyfrc.org. Your information is held securely by an SSL encrypted connection. This information will remain private and will never be given away to third parties, other than to process your scheduled contributions. You can also give by mail or our deacons pick up a weekly offering each Sunday morning.

ACH Contributions - ACH Contributions are a convenient way to give directly from your checking account. Contributions are taken out the 2nd and 4th Fridays of each month. Stop into the church office to pick up a form.

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Sunday, January 2, 2022

Morning Worship—9:30 a.m.

Pastor Tom VandeBerg

PreludeRita Vos

*Welcome & Call to Worship

THE APPROACH TO GOD

*Songs of Praise

#59.....*"I Sing the Mighty Power of God"*

#65.....*"The Wonder of It All"*

Children's Message Jeff Knouse

NO CHILDREN IN WORSHIP ACTIVITIES TODAY!

Announcements/Congregational Prayer

THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture Revelation 2:18-29(pg.1009)

Message."**7 Churches—Looking in the Mirror: Thyatira**"

Pastor Tom VandeBerg

THE RESPONSE TO GOD

The Sacrament for the Lord's Supper – see insert

(We celebrate an open communion. Anyone professing Jesus

Christ as Lord and Savior is invited to participate
in this celebration)

Closing Hymn #66....."To God Be the Glory"*

*Benediction

*Response #80..... *"I Love You, Lord"*

POSTLUDERita Vos

*Indicates standing if able CCLI License # 790003

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\*Children's activity bags are available in the south coat rooms & wing.

\*Offering Boxes are at each of the door entrances—your Sunday offering can be placed in these!

\*Coffee time will be served in the Gathering Place this morning!

\*The **back 5 rows of chairs on both sides of the sanctuary** will be reserved for parents with young children

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# "7 Churches— Looking in the Mirror: Thyatira"



"Anyone with ears to hear must listen to the Spirit and understand what he is saying to the churches."  
Revelation 2:29

**January 2, 2022**



WEEKLY SCHEDULES

**Sunday, January 2**  
9:30 am **Morning Worship**– Pastor Tom VandeBerg— Communion  
**\*NO SUNDAY SCHOOL**  
**\*NO YOUTH GROUPS**  
2:00 pm **Reunion** in the Gathering Place  
**Tuesday, January 4**  
1-4 pm **Sewing Days** in the Gathering Place  
**Wednesday, January 5**  
3:30 pm **STARS After School program**  
5:30 **Family night meals**  
6:15 pm **6th—8th Bible Study**  
6:45 pm **9th—12th Bible Study**  
**Thursday, January 6**  
6:00 pm **Meeting in the Gathering Place**—Consistory will meet with an Evangelical Free Church representative  
**Friday, January 7**  
7:30 am **Prayer Breakfast**—6th—12th grade  
**Sunday, January 9**  
9:30 am **Morning Worship**– Jeff Knouse  
10:45 am **Sunday School for ALL ages**  
11:00 am **Christian Ed Committee meeting**  
12:30 pm **Shower** in the Gathering Place  
5:00 pm **IMPACT Youth Group**—6th—8th grade  
6:30 pm **Faithwalkers Youth Group**—9th –12th grade

LOOKING AHEAD

**Monday, January 17, 6:30 pm** Consistory/Staff supper catered by Prime Country.

INFORMATION

**REMEMBER TO PICK UP YOUR MAIL IN YOUR CHURCH MAILBOX !!**


**High School Wednesday night class needs a Bible Study Leader**—if this is something you could help out with please contact Jeff Knouse at jkfrcsully@gmail.com

**VALET PARKING** - This service will be available at the south car port door only. You may drive your vehicle to the car port where a valet attendant (church volunteer) will park your vehicle.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- CHURCH FAMILY**
- Shirley Baarda** was placed under home hospice. We ask for peace and comfort as they begin this journey.
- CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY**
- We extend our Christian sympathy to **Brandon & Andrea Vos and family** in the death of their father and grandfather, **Robert Vander Wilt**, age 77 who passed away Saturday, December 25. Funeral services were held Thursday, December 30 at Covenant Church in Pella, IA.
  - We extend our Christian sympathy to **Ervin & Linda Arkema** in the death of their brother/brother-in-law **Carl Arkema**, age 74 who passed away Friday, December 24. A memorial service was held at Bethany CRC in Muskegon, Michigan on Thursday, December 30.

 **BABY BLESSING BASKETS:** There are two baby blessing baskets set out in the Gathering Place for our newest little ones: **Kennadi Marie**, daughter of **Brandon & Nicole Dunsbergen** born Monday, December 13. And to **Myles Edward**, son of **Drew & Leah Van Rees**, born Thursday, December 16.


 We would like to thank our church family for the prayers, cards and words of sympathy in the death of our brother & uncle, Arvin Van Wyk. It really meant a lot to us.

**Eldred Van Gorp**  
**Carl & Joyce De Goey**  
**Verlan & Helen Brand**  
**Duane & Joni Collins and family**  
**Lucas Jones**

OFFERING

**OFFERING for the week of December 26..... \$13,120.50**  
**Christmas offering ..... \$17,780.00**

**CHURCH TREASURERS:** A reminder for all treasurers to turn in your books, and financial reports for 2021, bank statements and cancelled checks to the church office for our annual report and for auditing by January 16, 2022.

 **A REMINDER** that our church has access to an extensive, new video library called RightNow Media! It's like the "Netflix of Video Bible Studies" and has a HUGE library of faith-based videos that you can access on your phone, iPad, computer, or at home on your TV. RightNow Media has videos for everyone—kids, youth, parents, married couples, college students, single adults, working professionals—all aimed at helping you grow.

If you haven't signed up yet, you can sign up at **www.sullyfrc.org/resources**. You will then receive an email from RightnowMedia. Once you find the email, simply click the link, sign up for an account, and you're all set to explore more than 14,000 videos. We pray that RightNow Media will be a blessing for you and your family!

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MORNING SCHEDULE

| January 2                                                                                                         | MORNING SCHEDULE                              | January 9                                                                                                              |
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| Annette Z, Stephanie R<br>Bristol H                                                                               | <b>NURSERY</b>                                | Jamie D, Hollie N<br>Corrina R                                                                                         |
| <b>NO Children In<br/>Worship Activities Today!</b>                                                               | <b>CHILDREN IN<br/>WORSHIP</b>                | <b>Leaders:</b> Stephanie D<br>& Shelby S                                                                              |
| Gale H<br>Josh R                                                                                                  | <b>PROJECTION<br/>LIVESTREAM</b>              | Teryl VP<br>Chad & Evan F                                                                                              |
| <b>Side:</b> Dan D<br>Bruce D<br><b>Center:</b> Bob S<br><b>Wing:</b> Matt S<br><b>Valet:</b> Scott VK<br>Mason D | <b>USHERS</b><br><br><b>VALET<br/>PARKING</b> | <b>Side:</b> Jeff VW<br>Gale H<br><b>Center:</b> Cody K<br><b>Wing:</b> Joel VW<br><b>Valet:</b> Gerry VD<br>Corey VDW |

## “7 Churches – Looking in the Mirror: Thyatira”

Revelation 2:18-29

Pastor Tom VandeBerg

9:30 a.m.

January 2, 2022

**Enemies of spiritual life:** \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

- *“To the angel of the church in Thyatira write: These are the words of the Son of God, whose eyes are like blazing fire and whose feet are like burnished bronze.”* Revelation 2:18

**The church belongs to** \_\_\_\_\_.

- <sup>19</sup> *I know your deeds, your love and faith, your service and perseverance, and that you are now doing more than you did at first.”* Revelation 2:19

**Who are we going to serve - Jesus or the marketplace?**

- <sup>20</sup> *“Nevertheless, I have this against you: You tolerate that woman Jezebel, who calls herself a prophetess. By her teaching she misleads my servants into sexual immorality and the eating of food sacrificed to idols. <sup>21</sup> I have given her time to repent of her immorality, but she is unwilling.”* Revelation 2:20-21

**You can practice your faith in** \_\_\_\_\_, **but if living in the real world means you’ve got to cut a few corners,** \_\_\_\_\_.

- <sup>22</sup> *So I will cast her on a bed of suffering, and I will make those who commit adultery with her suffer intensely, unless they repent of her ways. <sup>23</sup> I will strike her children dead. Then all the churches will know that I am he who searches hearts and minds, and I will repay each of you according to your deeds.* Revelation 2:22-23

**We don’t change** \_\_\_\_\_, **our culture doesn’t change** \_\_\_\_, **God changes** \_\_\_\_.

**Where have you been** \_\_\_\_\_?

**There’s only one solution for compromise,** \_\_\_\_\_ it.

**No more** \_\_\_\_\_.

- <sup>24</sup> *“Now I say to the rest of you in Thyatira, to you who do not hold to her teaching and have not learned Satan's so-called deep secrets (I will not impose any other burden on you): <sup>25</sup> Only hold on to what you have until I come. <sup>26</sup> To him who overcomes and does my will to the end, I will give authority over the nation’s-- <sup>27</sup> 'He will rule them with an iron scepter; he will dash them to pieces like pottery'--just as I have received authority from my Father. <sup>28</sup> I will also give him the morning star. <sup>29</sup> He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.”*

**The promise of Jesus** \_\_\_\_\_ **with us** \_\_\_\_\_.

## Communion Celebration

### The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

Invitation – We celebrate an open communion meaning that anyone who professes Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior is invited to share in the Lord’s Supper.

### Approach to Communion

**Pastor:** Christ has won! In his death He defeated everything which frustrates us. In His resurrection He was victorious over death and opened eternal life for us. Now in His living presence He offers us all we need to live the abundant life in Him.

**People: We come because we have a great need for Christ and a great Christ for our needs!**

**Pastor:** Come to the Lord’s Table. His body was broken for you that you may be made whole; His blood was shed that you might be forgiven and be reconciled with God forever.

**People: We do not presume to come to the Table trusting in our own goodness or righteousness, but in Christ alone. We are lonesome for Him, afraid without Him, able to do all things only through Him.**

**Pastor:** He is here as He promised! Come, let us celebrate.

**\*Apostles Creed:**

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilot, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.**

### Communion Instructions COVID -19 Style

For this communion today, the pastor will share all of the words of the distribution of the Bread and cup liturgy at one time. Those that are watching and participating at home via online will take communion at this time.

For in-person communion an usher will indicate to each row of participants when you may go the front of church and take communion.

From your communion station, bread will be placed in your hand and juice placed before you in a cup. (the cup is disposed of after taking communion in a waste basket by your communion station). You will be guided back to your seat.

### Distribution of the Bread and Cup The Bread

**Pastor:** The bread which we break is the communion of the body of Christ.

**Pastor:** The Lord Jesus, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to them saying, “Take, eat, this is My body which is broken for you; this do in remembrance of Me.”

**The Cup**

**Pastor:** The cup of blessing which we bless is the communion of the blood of Christ.

**Pastor:** After the same manner also, He took the cup, when they had supped, saying “This cup is the new testament in My blood; this do as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

### Our Communion Thanksgiving Response

**Pastor:** We praise and thank you, O Lord.

**People: That you have fed us at your table. We are grateful for your gifts and mindful of the communion we have shared together.**

**Pastor:** We are reminded that you, O God, did not spare your own Son, but gave him up for us all and will also give us all things with him.

**People: Therefore with my mouth and heart I will praise the Lord from this time forth and forevermore. Amen.**

**Pastor:** Let us pray. We praise and thank you, O Lord that you have fed us at your table. Grateful for your gifts and remembering the communion we have just shared, keep our hearts and minds in Jesus Christ your Son and our only Savior. Amen.



**Julie Van Manen,  
Children's Ministry  
Director**



## Sunday School — 10:45

**a.m.**

**\*All those 3 years old—Kindergarten** please go to room # 8 & 9 located on the southeast side of the basement.

**\*All those in 1st—5th grade go to room #6 on the southwest side of the basement.**

### **God's Little Wonders - 3 year old—Kindergarten**

**Rebecca Rozendaal & Cathryn Dunsbergen Opening ex-**

**ercises** east side of basement rooms #8 & 9

*We will begin here with singing and then walk with their teachers to their rooms. All classrooms are marked with the teachers name and names of students on the outside of each door.*

#### **3 year olds – Room #9 (Little Lambs) - Hands on Bible:**

**Teachers:** Amy Harthoorn & Hollie Nunnikhoven, Skyler Young & Lisa Dunsbergen

#### **4 year olds – Room #7 (Zacchaeus' Treehouse) - Hands on Bible**

**Teachers:** Liz Harthoorn, Kayla Henkle, Shaleah James & Elaine Droppert

#### **Kindergarten –Children in worship area – Room #10 (Builders) - Imagine**

**Teachers:** Monica Nikkel & Lysandra Newell

### **All kids in Children in Worship downstairs will be led to opening exercises.**

**\*\*3 yrs.—Kindergarten** will have cookies during Children in Worship—1st—5th will be served cookies before opening exercises.

### **Faith Seekers—1st—5th Grade (west side of basement)**

**Dawn Schechinger—Opening Exercises** Rm. #6- West side—We will begin singing here and then go to their individual classrooms.

#### **1st Grade—Room #4—(Lion's Den) - Imagine**

**Teachers:** Emily Larson & Carrie Mortvedt

#### **2nd & 3rd Grade – Room # 3 (Commandment Center) - Wonder**

**Teachers:** Joni Collins & Hannah De Penning

#### **4th Grade- Room #1 (Creation Station) - Marvel**

**Teachers:** Katelyn Beyer & Julie Van Manen

#### **5th Grade—Room # 11 (Trailblazers) Children in worship area—Marvel**

**Teacher:** Eloise Vos



**Jeff Knouse,  
Youth & Education Director**

## **Middle School— Youth With Heart 6th—8th grade**

### **Nick De Penning—Superintendent**

**(The Lighthouse -opening exercises upstairs above wing)**

**6th—8th Grade – The Lighthouse— Dive—Year 1**

**Teachers:** Nick De Penning, Mel Vos & Tim Vanden Hoek

## **High School— Souls Ignited 9th—12th grade**

**9th & 10th Grade – The Well (west side of basement)**

**Teacher:** Kurt Harthoorn—Heidelberg Catechism

**11th & 12th Grade – The Well (east side of basement)**

**Teacher:** Ryan Mortvedt - Right Now Media

**\*All 6th—8th grade classes are held upstairs in the Lighthouse (area above the wing)**

**\*All 9th—12th grade classes are held in The Well (northwest side of the basement)**

## **ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL OPPORTUNITIES**

**Adult Sunday school –meet in the Legacy Center—All adults are invited to join!**

**Bible Study—Apostle's Creed**

## **INSTRUCTIONS**

- **NOTE: The 5th grade will now be meeting downstairs!**
- If you haven't attended a Sunday school class or you are new to FRC this year, you are invited to join a class!
- Your children can be picked up at 11:30 a.m. each Sunday.
- An offering will be collected each Sunday. This is a great way to teach kids how to tithe.

## **YOUTH GROUP INFORMATION**

**5:00 pm IMPACT Youth Group** meets in the Well (basement) open for all 6th—8th grade!

**6:30 pm Faithwalkers Youth Group** meets in the Well (basement) open for all 9th—12th grade

**EVERY Friday morning at 7:30 am for 6th—12th grade—Prayer Breakfast—**

**Donuts and milk before school—meet in the Gathering Place**

