CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Children In Worship Activities—3 year old—Kindergarten are dismissed during the service and meets downstairs (stairs the Gathering Place by the elevator) *Cookies will be served in Children in Worship for 3 yrs.— Kindergarten

SUNDAY SCHOOL MINISTRY

God's Little Wonders – 3 yr. – Kindergarten – east side of basement

Faithseekers $-1^{st} - 5^{th}$ grade- west side of basement **Youth With Heart** $-6^{th} - 8^{th}$ grade - upstairs - Lighthouse **Souls United** $-9^{th} - 12^{th}$ grade - NE side of basement **Adult Sunday School** - meets in the Legacy Center *All classes begin after the morning worship at 10:45 a.m.

NURSERY INFORMATION

Please contact **Trisha Vander Molen or Kaila Harsselaar** 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.

WAYS TO GIVE

Offering Boxes are at each of the door entrances Securely Give Online at www.sullyfrc.org.

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. By **mail**

Sunday, May 15, 2022 Morning Worship—9:30 a.m. Pastor Tom VandeBerg

Opening - video "May We Be One"			
Welcome			
*Call to Worship			
THE APPROACH TO GOD			
*Hymns of Praise "Trust & Obey"			
"All the People Said Amen"			
*Worship Prayer			
Children's MessageFaye Brand			
3 yr. olds thru Kindergarten dismissed for Children &			
Worship Activities- Legacy Addition basement!			
Announcements/Congregational Prayer			
THE WORD OF GOD			
ScripturePsalm 133:1-3 (pg.505)			
Message""Unity Is Not Optional"			
Pastor Tom VandeBerg			
Presentation of our Senior Graduates—slide show will			
run during this time			
Prayer and Commissioning for our young people—			
on screenJeff Knouse			
THE RESPONSE TO GOD			
*Closing Hymn"O Praise the Name"			
*Benediction			
*Response"Seek Ye First"			
POSTLUDE Praise Team			

Today **after the worship service** please grab your cookie and drink and return for the **Congregational Meeting** being held in the sanctuary. Ballots will be handed out to all Sunday school teachers as well.

*Children's activity bags are available in the south coat rooms & wing. *Coffee time will be served in the Gathering Place this morning! *The AED Defibrillator is located in the church office on the 2nd shelf on east wall

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WEEKLY SCHEDULES

Sunday, May 15—Graduation Sunday

9:30 am Morning Worship- Pastor Tom VandeBerg-we will be honoring our graduating seniors during the worship service

10:45 am Sunday School for ALL ages

10:45 am Special Congregational Meeting- to officially vote to leave the RCA (Reformed Church in America) and to vote to join ARC (Alliance of Reformed Churches) and also to approve the amended Articles of Incorporation and the new By-Laws-located by the church office. All active members are highly encouraged to attend and cast their vote. Absentee ballots will be given to all Sunday school teachers.

Monday, May 16

6:00 pm Lynnville Sully Baccalaureate with Pastor Jerry Morningstar speaking.

Wednesday, May 18

6:00 pm Inspirations Preschool Graduation in the sanctuary

Friday, May 20

7:30 am Prayer Breakfast—6th—12th grade

Saturday, May 21

8-12 pm Rental in the Gathering Place

7:00 pm Lynnville Sully Graduation at the high school gymnasium Sunday, May 22

9:30 am Morning Worship- Pastor Tom VandeBerg-we will be rec-



ognizing our teachers/sponsors/volunteers Join us for 10:45 am LAST DAY of Sunday School for ALL Ages—ALL DADS with kids in our God's Little Wonders Sunday school department (3 yr. olds-Kindergarten) are invited to opening exercises TODAY to have donuts with their son/

daughter and enjoy them singing during this time.

NOTICE: FAITHWALKERS are in need of 2 hogs or a monetary donation to purchase them for the pancake breakfast on July 4, 2022. If you are able to help out in this area, please contact Jeff Knouse at jkfrcsully@gmail.com.

The tree on the south side of the church was removed by Rozendaal Tree Service on Tuesday, May 10. This gives that side a completely new look and looks great!

PRAYER REQUESTS

PRAISE

 This morning we celebrate the Class of 2022: Ellie Dunsbergen. Callista Hackert, Acea Hackert, Kennedy Kesling & Elana Newell.

CHURCH FAMILY

- Marvin Baarda was admitted to Pella Regional Hospital Wednesday evening, April 27. He continues to gain strength and is now in skilled care at the Pella Hospital. Please pray for continued healing.
- Rhonna Fiihr had hip replacement surgery Wednesday, May 11 at • Iowa Lutheran Hospital. She is doing great and was discharged Thursday, May 12 to her son Grant's home. Thank you for the prayers! We continue to pray for a speedy and complete recovery.

Basket

BABY BLESSING BASKET: There is a baby blessing basket set out in the Gathering Place for our newest little one: Hope Elizabeth Harthoorn, daughter of Joel

& Liz Harthoorn born Tuesday, April 26, 2022.



Mark your calendar for July 11—14! Registration has begun for Monumental Vacation Bible School! Pick up information in your mailbox!

Vacation Bible School July 11-14 • Ages: (entering) K-6th grade

Supper served from 5:30-5:45PM VBS activities from 6:00-8:00PM

Supper, drop off & pick up at First Reformed Church

We need volunteers, sign up to help out today!

To Register, scan the QR code r go to http://sullyfrc.org/resources/monumentalvbs-volunteer-sign-up-2022/



Check us out on Facebook!

OFFERING

Offering for May 8.....\$6,159.00

Memorial Day Offering envelopes are in your mailbox. This year our offering will go 1/3 to Mission Fund, 1/3 to Voice of the Martyrs & 1/3 to Bible League International.

INFORMATION

COLLEGE GRADUATES: If you are graduating or have recently finished school, please let us know from where and when you are graduating and your major of study. This information may be left on the desk in the church office or you may call the church office at 594-2935 or email at frcsully@netins.net.

Our Lead Pastor and Children's Director employment opportunities are listed on our website and you may know just the person who needs to hear about this opportunity! More details, job description, and application process here: http://sullyfrc.org/resources/ employment-opportunities/

EMAIL CHANGE: Julie Van Manen will no longer be using her church email which is julievmfrcsully@gmail.com. Please email the church office if you are in need of anything or have any questions moving forward at frcsully@netins.net.

MORNING SCHEDULE

May 15	MORNING SCHEDULE	May 22
Joni C, Stephanie R Bentlee V	NURSERY	Lorie VS, Hollie N Katelyn N
Parents: Cole & Kayla H Storyteller: Barb J Leader: Dawn S	CHILDREN IN WORSHIP	Parents: Don & Hollie N Storyteller: Jeff K Leader: Dawn S
Ruth R Nick DP	PROJECTION LIVESTREAM	Shawn H Bryce & Kate D
Side: John K Kevin VW Center: Ryan M Wing: Kyle VR	USHERS	Side: Kenton D Caden D Center: Don N Wing: Dan D

"Unity Is Not Optional" Psalm 133:1-3 9:30 am

Pastor Tom VandeBerg

May 15, 2022

"Psalm 133:1-3 "How good and pleasant it is when brothers live together in unity!² It is like precious oil poured on the head, running down on the beard, running down on Aaron's beard, down upon the collar of his robes.³ It is as if the dew of Hermon were falling on Mount Zion. For there the LORD bestows his blessing, even life forevermore."

"Christians, like snowflakes, are frail, but when they stick together they can stop traffic." -- Vance Havner

"One ______, one _____". They recognized their deep need for a supernatural touch from God, and so they ______.

• *"After they prayed, the place where they were meeting was shaken.* And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke the word of God boldly."

• "All the believers were one in heart and mind. No one claimed that any of his possessions was his own, but they shared everything they had.

³³ With great power the apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and much grace was upon them all. ³⁴ There were no needy persons among them. For from time to time those who owned lands or houses sold them, brought the money from the sales ³⁵ and put it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to anyone as he had need." Acts 4:32-35

"My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for <u>those who will believe in</u> <u>me through their message</u>, ²¹ that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me." John 17:20-21

Jesus is praying; ______ is what my followers should be about.

Are you radi	cally devoted to	_ in the body of Christ?
God hates _	in the body	
We need to	each other	

• Ephesians 4:3 *"Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace."*

Philippians 2: 1-2 "If you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any fellowship with the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, ² then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and purpose." **Unity in the church begins with** _____.

A LITURGY FOR Graduating Seniors

LEADER: O Faithful Father, you have gathered us here today to reflect and celebrate your faithfulness to these graduates; whom you have created, sustained, and loved for all the days of their lives.

PEOPLE: We praise God for each of you, and look forward to the Lord's continued faithfulness to each of you, as you enter into this new season of life.

LEADER: Tell me, families of these graduates, how will continue to train up these graduates in the way they should go?

FAMILIES: As you go where the Lord leads you, we will continue to love you, encourage you, pray for you, and be open and available to you through whatever comes your way.

LEADER: It is good for you to love these graduates in this way. May they know Jesus deeper through the way you love them. Congregation, how will you continue to train up these graduates in the way they should go?

PEOPLE: We will be your prayer warriors, faithfully praying that the Spirit of God would lead you, teach you, and encourage you as you go. As you return here from wherever the Lord takes you, we look forward to hearing of all the good things the Lord has done for you.

LEADER: It is good for you to support these graduates in this way. Now graduates, as you go from this place, we commission you as Jesus commissioned His disciples to go into the world and make disciples. May you be a light in dark places, and bring hope to the hopeless, wearing your title as ambassadors for Christ proudly. May you always look to Jesus, the author and perfector of your faith, through all of life's triumphs and trials. May you remember and recall what you have learned and experienced here, and look upon those experiences with delight. We are proud of you, and are excited to watch you step out in faith into your next chapter of your lives.

PEOPLE: Praise be to God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit, for what He has done through each of you and what He will continue to do as you go.

LEADER: Amen. Let us pray.

Consistory Notes May 11, 2022

The consistory meeting opened with prayer and devotions. The **elders shared** the following:

- The Pastor Search Team met on May 10, 2022 and a discussion was held on having a day of fasting on June 24, 2022 with the congregation.
- Chad Fikse was received as a member by transfer from the Rock Branch United Methodist church of Correctionville, Io-wa.

The deacons reported:

- April giving: General: \$34,688.86; Mission: \$18,056.38; Sunday School: \$25; Building Fund: \$453.13
- A \$75 donation was given to local school teacher appreciation gifts in partnership with local churches.
- We will be purchasing a new computer and software for presentations during the worship service

The full consistory reviewed the congregational needs and church family prayer needs. Our shut-ins and nursing home residents were also lifted up in prayer.

Reports from committees:

- Building and Grounds committee reported the parking lot lines will be painted soon.
- Eloise Vos has agreed to be in charge of the STARS Afterschool Program for the following year, and Faye Brand has agreed to lead the Children in Worship program. If a Children's Ministry Director is hired, they would work closely together with both Eloise and Faye.
- There will be a 40 hour period of fasting for anyone in the congregation who would like to participate, on June 24, 2022. This will be explained to the congregation at a later date
- The consistory unanimously approved the amended Articles of Incorporation of the First Reformed Church of Sully.
- TEC (Teen Encounter Christ) will be using our facilities on November 16 – 19, 2023.

God is good!

For the consistory,

STAFF

Interim Pastor// Pastor Tom VandeBerg// tvandeberg52@gmail.com Youth & Education Director // Jeff Knouse // jkfrcsully@gmail.com Children's Ministry Director// vacant Administrative Assistant // Deb Van Kooten // frcsully@netins.net Administrative Assistant // Deb Van Wyk // frcsully@netins.net Bookkeeper // Sharla Van Wyk // sharlafrcsully@netins.net Custodian // Rod Zuidema

CONSISTORY

Interim Pastor, Pastor Tom VandeBerg ELDERS DEACONS Craig Maasdam (22) Blake Dunsbergen (22) Brad Rozendaal (22) Scott Van Kooten (22) Kevin Van Manen (22) Logan Vos (22) Coltin Collins (23) Gary Van Genderen (23) Jerry Vander Beek (23) Nick De Penning (23) Loren Vos (23) Tim Dunsbergen (23) Ervin Arkema (24) Tyler Harsselaar (24) Nick Harthoorn (24) Brent De Jong (24) Joel Jansen (24) Josh Rozendaal (24)

OFFICERS OF CONSISTORY

Vice President – Gary Van Genderen (23) Clerk – Scott Van Kooten (22) Deacon Chairman – Tim Dunsbergen (23) Deacon Secretary – Nick De Penning (23) General Fund Treasurer – Blake Dunsbergen (22) Ass't General Fund Treasurer – Nick Harthoorn (24) Mission Fund Treasurer – Brad Rozendaal (22) Ass't Mission Fund Treasurer – Coltin Collins (23)

Committee Contacts

Buildings & Grounds – Logan Vos Calendar Activities - church office Music Committee – Jerry Vander Beek Hospital Equipment-Ron Dunsbergen, Darrel Jansen & Ron McKeag Pulpit Supply – Gary Van Genderen Women with Purpose – Desiree Hardeman Service Committee – Velma Rozendaal Legacy Kitchen – Shirley Dunsbergen The Well Kitchen – Barb Jansen The Well Kitchen Rental – Lynn Dunsbergen Power Point Projection - Teryl Ver Ploeg Audio/Visual – Josh Rozendaal **Sound System** – Blake Dunsbergen Coffee Time Committee– Kevin & Julie Van Wyk Van Committee – Craig Maasdam



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.

<u>God's Little Wonders</u> - 3 year old—Kindergarten

Rebecca Rozendaal & Cathryn Dunsbergen Opening exercises 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.

Please contact the church office at frcsully@netins.net or Faye Brand at fbrand@colinemfg.com with any questions

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



Middle School— <u>Youth With Heart</u>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— <u>Souls Ignited</u>9th—12th grade

9։հ & 10։հ Grade – The Well (west side of basement) Teacher: Kurt Harthoorn—Heidelberg Catechism 11։հ & 12։հ Grade – The Well (east side of basement) Teacher: Ryan Mortvedt - Right Now Media

Jeff Knouse, Youth & Education Director

*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

