

Updated COVID-19 Guidelines- 11/29/2020

As COVID-19 cases continue to surge in our area and around the state, the surrounding Hospital & Clinics urge community members and businesses to join our efforts and do your part to flatten the curve and prevent the spread of the disease. We urge everyone to do all that they can to help manage the health and safety of our community and your family, friends, and co-workers during this pandemic. According to the CDC guidelines, the best way to prevent illness is to avoid exposure to this virus.

- We ask that anyone who has been exposed to, quarantined or tested positive for COVID-19, is not feeling well, or has a temperature higher than 100.4 within the past 24 hours, not attend services.
- Social distancing guidelines will be in effect in worship venues.
- To help with social distancing. We will have seating marked off in the main sanctuary to make adherence to these guidelines as easy as possible. The east wing chair rows are already spaced 6 ft. apart. Members of the same household may sit together and all others should sit six feet apart. We will define "household" as those family or non-family members who have been spending significant time together already. This could include, but would not be limited to single friends sitting together or with other families and extended families sitting together.
- We strongly encourage the wearing of masks 2 years old and older. Masks are available at each entrance.

Thank you for helping us make our ministries as safe as we can be in a Covid-19 world!

NO COFFEE TIME AFTER THE SERVICE UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

IN PERSON SUNDAY SCHOOL & YOUTH GROUPS WILL CONTINUE TO MEET. WE STRONGLY ENCOURAGE EACH CHILD OVER 2 YEARS OLD WEAR A MASK.

THE NURSERY WILL CONTINUE TO BE OPEN AND CLEANED REGULARLY.

ALL THOSE WHO HELP SERVE IN THE NURSERY WILL BE REQUIRED TO WEAR A MASK.

SIGN UP for TEXT ALERTS on our [website at sullyfrc.org](http://www.sullyfrc.org) on the home page at the bottom of the page. You will then be notified by a text when services are cancelled!

The **AED Defibrillator** is located in the church office on the 2nd shelf on east wall

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Sunday, November 22, 2020

Morning Worship—9:30 a.m.

First Reformed Church, Sully, Iowa

Jeff Knouse

Welcome

Songs "The Same Power"

..... "Man of Sorrows"

..... "Your Love Awakens Me"

Prayer

Video— "Thankful"

Announcements

Scripture— Luke 1:57-79

Message— "Prepare the Way" Jeff Knouse

Song "Soul On Fire"

Benediction

Response "O Praise the Name"

THANKSGIVING OFFERING This year our Thanksgiving offering is designated to our Mission Fund. This will be collected at our morning worship service on Sunday, November 29.

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.

"Prepare the Way"



Luke 1:57-79

First Reformed Church

Sully, IA

November 22, 2020

WEEKLY SCHEDULES

ALL ACTIVITIES ARE CANCELLED AT THIS TIME (this next week)—No Youth Groups, Wednesday night Bible Studies, Sunday school, Knotting Ladies.

NO Wednesday night meals this week due to Thanksgiving Break!
Thursday, November 26



Sunday, November 29

9:30 am **Morning Worship**—Pastor Wayne Sneller—**Reverse Offering**

10:45 am **Sunday School for ALL ages!**

5:00 pm **IMPACT Youth Group**—6th—8th grade—in the Gathering Place

6:30 pm **Faithwalkers Youth Group**—9th—12th grade meet in the Gathering Place

Tuesday, December 1

7:00 pm **Deacon's Meeting**—all newly elected deacons are invited to this meeting.

Wednesday, December 2

5:30—6:30 pm **To Go Meals** for youth to eat at church and orders to go!

Meal: BBQ Beef, cheesy potatoes, corn casserole, pretzel salad & roll

6:15 pm **6th—8th Bible Study**—in the Well

6:45 pm **9th—12th Bible Study**—in the Lighthouse

6:30 pm **Elder's mtg.**—Anyone wishing to make a Profession of Faith in Jesus Christ or request baptism, please contact Pastor Wayne before the meeting.

7:30 pm **Consistory mtg.**—Refreshments: Doug H & Mark S

NOTE: All newly elected elders & deacons are asked to attend these meetings.

Friday, December 4

7:30 am **Prayer Breakfast**— 9th –12th grade

Saturday, December 5

11—1 pm **Faithwalker "Soup Dinner To Go"**. We will be serving soup, grilled cheese sandwich & bars/cookie! Watch for more details next week!

Sunday, December 6

9:30 am **Morning Worship**—Pastor Wayne Sneller

10:45 am **Sunday School for ALL ages!**

5:00 pm **IMPACT Youth Group**—6th—8th grade—In the Gathering Place

6:30 pm **Faithwalkers Youth Group**—9th—12th grade—Meet in the Gathering Place

PRAYER REQUESTS

CHURCH FAMILY

- **Pastor Wayne & Tammy Sneller** are experiencing Covid-19 symptoms and are quarantining at home for the next week.

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

- We extend our Christian sympathy to **LeRoy & Ruth Van Maanen** in the death of Ruth's brother, **Leroy Blom**, age 87 who passed away Thursday, November 12. Graveside services were held on Wednesday, November 18.
- We extend our Christian sympathy to **Scott and Brittany Van Zee and family** in the death of their son, **Eli Douglas Van Zee**, who was born on Sunday, November 15, 2020, at the University of Iowa Hospital. Eli will always be loved and greatly missed by his mom, dad, and his big brothers: Ivan and Evan. Private graveside services were held Friday, November 20.

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 The entire **Sunday School department** has a goal to raise \$4,000 for a special Christmas offering for Chad & Dara Vanden Bosch, RCA Missionaries in Mozambique, Africa. The offering for this project will begin Sunday, November 1 and conclude Sunday, December 13. One of the immediate challenges that we are facing at the farm is in the area of operating expenses. The major infrastructure projects we are working on are transforming the farm, but are also needing lots of man hours to complete. Find out more at: <https://www.faithward.org/hardships-cant-stop-gods-work-on-this-farm-in-mozambique/>

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Care Team Ministry Opportunity
 Our organized care ministry at FRC consists of the pastor, elder/wife, elder/deacon, deacon teams and the commissioned care teams. We are looking to expand our care teams. If you have the gifts of shepherding, mercy, hospitality, wisdom, counseling & intercession please prayerfully consider being a part of this ministry. Responsibilities will consist of providing care to their assigned families. e.g. worship contact, fellowship, need care, e.g. death, birth, sickness, celebration of life, milestones. Contact Pastor Wayne or the church office at 641-594-2935 or frcsully@netins.net

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 Here is your chance to help needy families in Jasper County!! The youth groups from Sully Christian Reformed Church, Sully Reformed Church and Sully Community Church are sponsoring a food drive for the Salvation Army in Newton during the next two weeks. A grocery bag with items needed is located by the north and south entrance of the Gathering Place, so please fill it with groceries and **return it back to the church Sunday, December 6. They will be packaging this on Wednesday, December 9 at Sully Community Church gymnasium. NOTE: This is separate from our food drive that we are conducting right now.**

WEEKLY OFFERING

Offering week of November 8 & 15 **\$10,445.50**



I would sincerely like to thank my family, friends, and church family for praying for me, for cards, food, and gifts as I have had a 2 month whirlwind of medical issues. What started as a minor pain ended up pointing to some other issues that, with the excellent care of my medical team, I'm happy to report I'm feeling better than ever! Also, thank you to those who went along or drove me to Des Moines a number of times for many appointments. Above all, thanks to God for early diagnosis and healing mercies, and a calm assurance uplifting me through this process.
Lois Vander Leest



With the uncertainty of church services in December due to COVID, we are no longer taking orders for poinsettias. We are sorry for any inconvenience. We have received 13 orders and those will be picked up and displayed in the sanctuary during December! Thank you for your understanding!

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MEAL TRAIN SIGN UP: Meal ministry is an important outreach for those who have recently had a baby, been hospitalized, have lost a loved one, etc. We are working at putting together a team to help out in this area of ministry. Jamie Dunsbergen & Shelby Shinkle are heading this up and need your help! If you could help out with preparing a meal when called upon, please let Jamie or Shelby know or contact the church office at frcsully@gmail.com

MORNING SCHEDULE

November 29		December 6
Annette Z, Steph R Ashton Rozendaal Parent: Jeremy & Trisha VM Storyteller: Jeff K Leader: Faye B	NURSERY CHILDREN IN WORSHIP	Shaleah VW, Lynn D Jager H Parent: Bryce & Katelyn D Storyteller: Barb J Leader: Faye B
Teryl VP Katelyn D	PROJECTION LIVESTREAM	Teryl VP Chad F
Side: Derrick Z Joel VW Center: Jeff VW Wing: Dwayne M	USHERS	Side: Coltin C Mitch C Center: Cody K Wing: Cooper S



Our Reverse offering will take place Next Sunday, November 29, 2020!

What is it? The deacons have set aside \$12,500 whereby our members will receive \$50 per family or single member to use in any way you want towards a worthy cause.

How will it be distributed? On Sunday morning, November 29 the deacons will be at every door after the morning worship, handing an envelope to each family. Another way to receive your envelope is to stop by the church office. If either one of these ways doesn't work you may contact an elder or deacon and they will deliver one to you. Any envelope not picked up after 2 weeks will be put back in the Mission fund.

Seek God's direction on how to use these funds. "Pay it Forward" talk with your children on how to bless others with these funds.

The Follow through:

Seek God's direction in how He's calling you to bless others. Some examples you can use your gift to bless others in many different ways:

- **Multiplying it**
- **Giving it to an organization that ministers in the name of Christ.**
- **Responding to a need that God has placed before you.**
- **Pool your money with others (like a small group) to help someone with a major car repair or home repair.**
- **Spread joy to someone who recently experienced a loss—death, unemployment, divorce, etc.**
- **Pay for groceries for someone.**
- **Give to the local food pantry**
- **Respond by giving to some of the organizations to the many disasters that the world has recently experienced.**
- **Purchase a Bible for a soldier**
- **The options are limited only to our imagination and the prompts of the Holy Spirit.**

Consider sharing your story via email or letter on where you blessed others! If you could return your Blessing story by December 20 to the church office, that would be great. You may do so anonymously if want!

God has blessed us richly and in the world of COVID-19 we can be his ambassadors of hope in so many ways!

Blessings!
Pastor Wayne





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

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 9th—12th grade—**Prayer**

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



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.



Julie Van Manen,
Children’s Ministry
Director

Teachers: Monica Nikkel & Lysandra Newell

God’s Little Wonders - 3 year old—Kindergarten

Kara Warrick & Rebecca Rozendaal *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, Julie Van Wyk & Lisa Dunsbergen

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

Teachers: Annette Zimmerman, Shaleah Van Wyk & Elaine Droppert

Kindergarten –Children in worship area – Room #10

(Builders) - Imagine

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)

Primary Department –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 & Desiree Hardeman

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

Teachers: Verlan Brand & Julie Van Manen

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

Teacher: Eloise Vos