

Reformed *Informer*

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FIRST REFORMED CHURCH, SULLY, IOWA

"I am with you and will keep you in all places" my five year old daughter told me was the reason she wasn't afraid at night any longer. She went on to explain this was the Bible verse her Sunday School class was memorizing. Before this conversation, I had been thinking memorizing Bible verses wasn't that necessary. My small child taught me differently.

There have been many times when this verse seemed to explain occurrences in my life. There was the time I lost control of the car on a gravel road. I was headed in to town to the laundromat with my younger sister and two neighbor girls. I was driving faster than I should have been when I hit the loose gravel. The car swerved from side to side all of a sudden I felt the steering wheel jerked out of my hands which spun the car around landing us in the ditch headed back towards home. The youngest in the car was yelling "I'm okay!", "I'm okay!" I'm praying, "Thank you, Lord!" There were so many very deep ditches we would have landed in if that accident had happened near one of them. I am still so thankful for what didn't happen!

The move to Sully brings to mind another incident where this verse seems applicable. Our home in Marshalltown sold quicker than expected. Warren was working the summer for Lynks Seed Corn as the coordinator for detasseling crews. We decided I and the girls would move early to Sully. We rented an older house in Sully until our home was ready for us. This meant Warren would be gone during the week and with us on the weekends. It felt a little lonely with no close friends to rely on. Warren's family helped but it wasn't quite the same closeness. There came the day we had church friends from Marshalltown stop in for a visit and with children Jenny and Amy's ages. Later that same day two college friends stopped on their way home just to reconnect and reminisce. As the day quieted down into evening I received a call from a high school classmate who was passing the Sully exit, didn't have time to stop, but wanted to say "Hi!" I felt at peace and assured that Sully friendships would soon follow!

"I am with you and will keep you in all places." Genesis 28:15, whether life and death times or in everyday ordinary times. We can depend on it!

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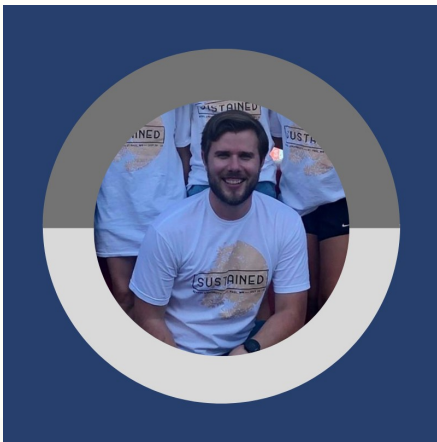


November

SCRIPTURE WRITING PLAN

The Family of God

Day 1: Genesis 17:1-5	Day 17: Acts 2:41
Day 2: Genesis 17:6-9	Day 18: Acts 2:42-43
Day 3: Matthew 1:17	Day 19: Acts 2:44-45
Day 4: John 1:1-5	Day 20: Acts 2:46-47
Day 5: John 1:9-13	Day 21: Acts 4:32
Day 6: Matthew 3:16-17	Day 22: Acts 9:31
Day 7: Matthew 6:33	Day 23: I Corinthians 12:4-7
Day 8: Matthew 7:13	Day 24: I Corinthians 12:21-23
Day 9: John 14:5-7	Day 25: I Corinthians 12:24-26
Day 10: Matthew 12:46-50	Day 26: Galatians 5:19-21
Day 11: Matthew 16:15-18	Day 27: Galatians 5:22-25
Day 12: Matthew 28:18-20	Day 28: Ephesians 4:1-3
Day 13: Luke 24:44-49	Day 29: Ephesians 4:4-6
Day 14: Acts 2:22-24	Day 30: Ephesians 4:31-32
Day 15: Acts 2:36	Bonus: Titus 3:3-7
Day 16: Acts 2:37-39	



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IMPACT YOUTH GROUP—6th—8th grade
We will meet EVERY Sunday evening at 5:00 pm in the Well (downstairs in the basement)

November 6—youth group
November 13—Operation Christmas Child
November 20—youth group
November 27—youth group

Over my years here I have created a nickname in my mind for the month of November. I call it “SERVEember.” It always seems, without a doubt, that a spirit of generosity rises up within our congregation and we commit ourselves to loving and serving our neighbors, both local and global.

This year, there are 2 major service projects that our students are involving themselves with, and that you can have an opportunity to be a part of as well. One is our annual Operation Christmas Child event where we pack shoeboxes full of clothes, hygiene items, school supplies, and toys to be sent to children all over the world. You can partner with that project by either donating financially or by bringing in items to go in the shoeboxes that the youth will put together. There are lists in the Gathering Place and a box to place donations.

The other project is our annual Sunday School project. I’m really excited because this year we will be doing a drive to support Agape Pregnancy Resource Center in Des Moines, a ministry that is doing incredible work with families in Des Moines. They have a list of items that the families they work with are in need of, and you can find that in this Informer as well as the bulletin. You can also ask me for a copy as well!

These projects might seem small to us, like just going to the store and buying diapers or children’s clothes or pens and pencils, but to the people who will receive what we give those small gifts will reap huge blessings. I hope you will consider serving alongside us this month!

FAITH WALKERS
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 2 Corinthians 5:7

FAITHWALKERS—9th-12th grade
We will meet EVERY Sunday evening at 6:30 pm in the Well (downstairs in the basement)

November 6—Youth group
November 13—service project
November 20—Youth group
November 27—Youth group



Operation Christmas Child: There is a basket set out in the Gathering Place for items purchased that our youth will be packing in shoeboxes **November 13**. There is a list of items by the box in the Gathering Place or at samartspurse.org.



Wednesday evenings We begin serving at 5:30—6:30 pm during the school year.

SMALL GROUPS

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS

6:15 PM - 6TH - 8TH GRADE IN THE WELL
 NICK DE PENNING - FRANCIS CHAN STUDIES

6:45 PM - 9TH - 12TH GRADE IN THE LIGHTHOUSE
 GERALD DROPPERT - THE CHOSEN - SEASON 3



LOOKING AHEAD TO DECEMBER—
Saturday, December 3, 11—1 pm—
Faithwalkers & Impact Soup Dinner in the Gathering Place

Every Friday Morning

ALL 6th - 12th grade are invited
 FRIDAY MORNINGS AT 7:30 AM BEGINNING FRIDAY, AUGUST 26

Prayer Breakfast

In the Gathering Place at First Reformed Church
 with Jeff Knouse



The STARS Wednesday After School Program is already one fourth of the way through our year. For Learning Activities, we have made wedding mints, with each child bringing home two mint molds and recipes, we have painted and decorated pumpkins to look like scarecrows (the pumpkins were donated by Julie and Kevin Van Manen and family), and most recently we have learned to braid, with the special guest being Ryanne Jansen.

Our Bible lessons started with the creation of the world, and we have moved through time up to the giving of the Ten Commandments. To keep idle hands busy, we have handed out Cat's Cradle strings and instructions. Some of you may remember doing this as a kid, making things such as Jacob's Ladder. This is very fun for some, with one group of girls even staying after STARS to show each other what they could make - oh wait, those were two adult volunteers and two jr. high volunteers!

STARS will meet until the week before Thanksgiving, and then start again the first week in January.



When we start again in January, we will need a volunteer to be the Memory Verse Leader. This volunteer leads 10 minute sessions with small groups to learn Bible verses. Could this be something you could do for a total of two hours each week? Please contact

Eloise Vos, STARS Coordinator, 641-521-5861 or mevos@netins.net



Children's Director
Sully First Reformed Church is seeking a paid staff member to oversee our Children's Ministry.

The First Reformed Church Children's ministry is a volunteer driven ministry that reflects the church's core values and works in partnership with parents to develop young disciples who are growing in knowledge and spiritual maturity. This

includes encouraging and equipping parents to develop a Biblical worldview in their children. The Children's Ministry director should promote scripture memorization, prayer, and personal Bible reading as well as provide opportunities for ministry leadership, outreach to the community, and connection to mission field. This person should teach a Bible based curriculum and encourage a Biblical based life style among the children.

More information on our website at: <http://sullyfrc.org/resources/employment-opportunities/>



CHILDREN'S
Sunday School

LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday, December 11 at 9:30 a.m.—Sunday school Christmas Program for our God's Little Wonders (3 yr—K) and Faithseekers(1st—5th grade) Sunday School Departments.



Painted and decorated pumpkins to look like scarecrows

11th Annual Thanksgiving Dessert Fest

Join us after the Thanksgiving Eve Service
in the Gathering Place for dessert!
(all desserts provided)

This will be a great way to enjoy some
food and fellowship with friends and the church
family!

Important Dates
and INFORMATION

thankful
AND
blessed

Sunday, November 6, 11:00 am—
Congregational Meeting after the morning
worship service

Saturday, December 3, 11-1pm Faithwalk-
er/Impact Soup Dinner in the Gathering Place

Sunday, December 11, 9:30 am:

God's Little Wonders & Faith Seekers (3 yr.—
5th grade) Sunday School Christmas Program
during the morning worship service

Sunday, December 25, 9:30 am—Christmas
Day Service

Happy
Thanksgiving

The **Cadet Hog Roast** will be **Wednesday, November 16th, 2022 from 5:00 to 7:00 PM** at the Sully Christian School. The Cadets will again be offering curbside pick-up, carry-out and dine-in options for your convenience. We are also offering delivery service to our local shut-ins. For Delivery orders, please call Scott Nikkel (641) 891-3834 or Dustin Ver Ploeg (641) 990-3581. All delivery orders must be in by noon on November 16th.



November 23, 7:00 p.m.

We want to invite the congregation to
our Thanksgiving Service this year as it will be
held on Thanksgiving eve at 7:00 p.m. **Nursery
is provided.**



Each congregational member that
attends the service is encouraged to
**bring items of food (canned dry
good, etc.) that will be collected
during the service.** We will be hav-
ing kids gathering the food by wagons and bring
to the front during the service.

We work with the Lynnvile Sully School
and food collected will go to families of our local
communities and the local food pantries. This
was a great success the last few of years and en-
joyed by everyone in the congregation. The re-
sult was that many families of our communities
were blessed by the generosity of your food do-
nations.

Come hear the Word of God preached
with a special music choir this year! You will also
have an opportunity to give to the Lord and
thank Him for all his Blessings!

See you at church!

**Our Thanksgiving offering this year will
go towards our Mission Fund** (mission share
support, missionaries, and other organizations
that we've not yet included in this year's offer-
ings). All undesignated offering will go towards
the support of these missions. You may also
designate your offering to other missions and
church needs of your choice. **Give as the Lord
has blessed you!**

Give Thanks and Sing

For our Thanksgiving Eve Service, Wednesday, 23 at
7 pm you all have the opportunity to join a choir, led
by Gelene Evans. **Practice will be Wednesday, No-
vember 9 & 16 at 6:30 pm in the sanctuary.** Please
contact Gelene at gelene.evans@gmail.com or text
641-521-5416 if you would like to be a part of this!



Doug & Sheri Huyser
Birthdays: Doug: 7/31/54
 Sheri: 9/21/56
Anniversary: June 20, 1975

When thinking of First Reformed church, many special memories come to mind for the Doug and Sheri Huyser family. The baptisms and professions of faith of their children, their daughter's wedding and the baptisms of their grandchildren were all celebrated within the walls of the church. They have deep roots and a history here.

Sheri grew up around the Sully/Killduff area and is one of the children born to Zeke and Carla Zylstra. She has two brothers; Craig (Linda) Zylstra; and Curt (Donna) Zylstra and two

sisters, Kathy Hoegh and Susan (Mike) Jansen. She graduated from Lynnville-Sully High school and is now retired.

Doug was raised with his two brothers; Randy (Nancy) and Doyle (Linda) around the Lynnville area on a farm owned by his parents Vernon and Lucille Huyser. He is a graduate of Lynnville Sully High School and is also retired.

In high school, Doug and Sheri were friends before they started dating. Wedding bells rang on a very hot day in June (when there was no air conditioning) in the Christian Reformed church in Sully. Their family lives in town and has grown to include three children, their spouses and eight grandchildren. Shawn (ChyAnne) Huyser with their children, Dylann, Jager, Tatum and Chayse; Jeremy Huyser; and Lindsey (Derek) De Haan with their children Bella, Grace, Lily and Evie. Doug and Sheri love to attend their grandchildren's activities, take walks or work on home and yard projects in their spare time.

Thank you to Doug and Sheri Huyser for letting us "Get To Know You Better!"

Sunday School Project 2022

This year our Sunday school project is helping out Agape Pregnancy Resource Center. (List of needs to the right)

Since 1985, Agape has faithfully served the people in the Des Moines area offering hope, support, and care through the front lines of pregnancy services and beyond. This year will be our 37th year of serving our community. Agape is expanding its services to serve more and to serve better! We will be continuing to offer pregnancy testing, ultrasounds, STD testing, as well as more classes, life-skills services, and job training support than ever before. We are excited to be able to provide ongoing support to help change the quality of life for the child that will be growing up in the home. It's not only about being on the front lines in the crisis moments but also about changing and making a better life and future for parents and children.

By God's grace, we are excited to say that Agape is flourishing! We are serving God by loving Him and loving others. We are choosing to show the light of Christ in the darkest of places. It is obvious every single day that God is in this ministry because He is blessing it beyond what we could have hoped or imagined. The power of hope, the hope that a relationship with Christ can bring, is palpable. People can feel a peace and a love every time they walk through our doors.

Please drop off your items in the office directly across from the secretaries office! Your donations are greatly appreciated!



**PREGNANCY
RESOURCE CENTER**

NEEDS LIST:

Hygiene Items	Baby Shower Items
Shampoo/Conditioner	Size 3-5, and 6 diapers
Body wash	Boy clothing N-4T
Deodorant	Girl clothing N-4T
Paper towels	Baby lotion/shampoo
Feminine products	Winter coats N-4T
Dish soap	Infant bathtubs
Laundry Soap	Bottles/cups
Multi-purpose cleaner	Small toys (Infant +)
Toilet bowl cleaner/ Brushes	Shoes (Infant +)
Toothpaste	Baby formula/food
Washcloths/dish towels	Towels/washcloths
	Car seats
	Pack and Plays

Office Supplies

Dyson vacuum

Copy paper

Bottled water

Walmart Gift Cards

Nitrile exam gloves (small and medium)

Aquasonic ultrasound gel

OUR MISSION: Agape Pregnancy Resource Center demonstrates the Truth and unconditional love of Jesus in a safe and confidential environment to women, men, and families experiencing pregnancy or the effects of sexual relationships.



November 1

Gelene Evans

November 2

Carna De Jong ~ Jamie Keen

Harold Rozendaal (87)

November 3

Lucy Schechinger

November 5

Verna Hackert (80)

Colton Harthoorn

November 6

Paul Sneller

November 7

Chayse Huyser

Gerry Van Dyke ~ Tim Hardeman

November 8

Joan Gose ~ Isla Cunningham

November 9

Pastor Wayne Sneller

November 10

Jamie Hackert

November 11

Henrietta Terpstra (86)

November 12

Doyle Huyser ~ Kenzie Huyser

November 14

Lucas Huyser ~ Lailah Bruck

November 15

Amber Lanser ~ Zachary Maasdam

Jeff Vander Molen

November 16

Lisa Dunsbergen ~ Maren Vos

November 17

Mike Jansen

Joyce MacKenzie (80)

November 18

Nick De Penning

November 19

Eloise Vos ~ Carleen Maasdam

Charlotte Kunce (84)

November 20

Kate Harthoorn ~ Mason Nikkel

November 21

Travis Chapman ~ Ellen Rozendaal

November 22

Alison Schnell ~ Laureen Van Wyk

Ervin Van Waardhuizen (83)

November 23

Acea Hackert ~ Callista Hackert

November 24

Kurt Harthoorn ~ Shelley Vander Molen

November 25

Casen Vos

November 26

Ross Van Wyk

November 27

Deana Torres

November 29

Jonella Van Wyk (93)

Warren Terpstra ~ HarLee Nunnikhoven

November 30

Reese Dunsbergen ~ Marcia Rozendaal

November 1

Shaun & Kristy Baarda (25)

November 2

Nathan & Stephanie Young (26)

November 3

Brad & Stephanie Rozendaal (15)

November 7

Loren & Tammy Vos (42)

November 9

Nick & Kate Beyer (3)

November 12

Carroll & Norma Harthoorn (63)

November 14

Shannon & Edna Dunsbergen (2)

November 15

Logan & Taylor Vos (8)

November 17

Dale & Minnie Huyser (50)

November 18

David & Monica Nikkel (16)

November 19

Jacob & Kate Van Manen (6)

November 24

Felix & Tia Torres (38)

November 28

Eric & Faye Brand (24)

Maury & Stacie Van Der Wilt (30)

November 29

Conrad & Mary Ann Van Maaren (48)

FAMILY NIGHT IS IN NEED OF HELP

Donations needed: Please drop off in the Legacy Kitchen

Hamburger	Butter
Boxes of Corn Flakes	Cake mixes
Peanut butter	Canned chicken
#10(large) cans of green beans	
White corn syrup	
Cream of chicken soup (lg. can)	
#10(lg.) cans of peaches	
Walmart or Fareway gift cards	



POINSETTIAS -

Poinsettia plants are again being used to decorate our sanctuary for the Christmas season. If you would like to give a poinsettia

in memory of a loved one or would just like to share a plant for the holidays, please fill out an order form located in the church office & online at www.sullyfrc.org. The cost is \$8. The **deadline for ordering is NOVEMBER 27** and Velma Rozendaal will pick the poinsettias up. Any time after Christmas you may pick up the poinsettia to enjoy at home or share with a friend. Any **questions call Velma Rozendaal at rozen-daalvelma@gmail.com or 594-2904** or contact the church office!



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 service. Church meetings will be cancelled if the Lynnville-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.

SIGN UP for TEXT ALERTS

on our website at sullyfrc.org on the home

page under the service times (join FRC Text)! You will then be notified by a text when services are cancelled! You can also sign up for volunteer opportunities as well!

GRIEF SHARE SUPPORT GROUP—join anytime

Location: Grinnell Friends Church, Hwy 146 South, Grinnell, IA

Mondays at 6:30

Dates: November 7, 14, 21, 28; December 5 & 12



2022 PRAYER CALENDAR

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
First Reformed Church 807 3rd St. PO Box 208 Sully, Iowa 50251 641-594-2935 frcsully@netins.net www.sullyfrc.org Our morning service is livestreamed through our website		1 Melvin & Shirley Van Genderen	2 Eldred Van Gorp	3 Scott & Deb Van Kooten	4 Dennis & Linda Van Maanen	5 Dorothy Van Maanen
6 Gilbert Van Maanen	7 LeRoy & Ruth Van Maanen	8 Marilyn Van Maanen	9 Conrad & Mary Ann Van Maaren	10 Jacob, Kate Kennedy & Karter Van Manen	11 Kevin & Julie Van Manen	12 Drew, Leah, Max & Myles Van Rees
13 Duane & Marla Van Rees	14 Kyle Van Rees	15 Barbara Van Sant	16 Ken & Lorie Van Soelen	17 Ervin & Carolyn Van Waardhuizen	18 Aaron, Amber, Lane, Lucy & John Will Van Wyk	19 Braden & Christine Van Wyk
20 Cale & Kendra Van Wyk	21 Cody Van Wyk	22 Gilbert & Marlene Van Wyk	23 Jeff & Deb Van Wyk	24 Jesse Van Wyk	25 Joel & Heidi Van Wyk	26 Kevin & Julie Van Wyk
27 Marlin & Laureen Van Wyk	28 Rachel Van Wyk	29 Ross & Emily Van Wyk	30 Rusty & Sharla Van Wyk	December 1 Jonella Van Wyk	December 2 Jason, Michelle & Megan Van Zante	December 3 Jim & Marlis Van Zante



2022 ACTIVITY CALENDAR

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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