


Following
 *Jesus*
together in mission
as His *love* 
transforms
lives for God's glory

First
REFORMED  **CHURCH**
with a
VISION *for* *Cultural Influence*
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April 8, 2018
Traditional Service – 8:15am
Contemporary Service – 10:30am

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PRELUDE

Julie Sonnentag

WELCOME

HYMN #151 – *"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: *O Lord, our stubborn pride causes us to foolishly ignore our need for You. On our own, we stumble and fall, and our strength fails. We have wandered from Your ways and wasted Your gifts. We have turned away from the truth of Your Word, and from where You want to lead us. Forgive us, Lord, for where we have failed to follow You. Receive us into Your loving embrace, as You desire to give us Your grace and guidance. Amen.*

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

Choir

"O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

HYMN #344 – *"Grace Greater Than Our Sin"*

SERMON

Pastor Brad

"God Helps Those Who ..."

Psalm 46:1, pg. 559; 94:16-19, pg. 591

OFFERTORY

HYMN #642 vs. 1,3,5 – *"Abide With Me"*

BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG #34 – *"He Is Lord"*

He is Lord, He is Lord!
He is risen from the dead and He is Lord!
Every knee shall bow, every tongue confess
That Jesus Christ is Lord.

CONTEMPORARY SERVICE – 10:30am

PRELUDE

"Rescuer (Good News)"

WELCOME

"Glory to God Forever"

"Good, Good Father"

PRAYER

"The Only Name (Yours Will Be)"

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Gina Koene

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"God Helps Those Who ..."

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OFFERTORY

"All the People Said Amen"

BENEDICTION

WELCOME

We continue to celebrate the Easter season by gathering to worship the risen Lord.

Welcome!

VISITORS

We especially want to welcome you to our service today.
Please be sure to fill out the Welcome Card that is in the bulletin.

Please turn off any pagers or cell phones.

THIS WEEK

TODAY:

8:15am Traditional Service
9:30am Sunday School
10:30am Contemporary Service

MONDAY:

9:15am Women's Bible Study
6:30pm Women's Bible Study

TUESDAY:

6:45pm Choir

WEDNESDAY:

6:30pm Believe & CrossCenter

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASTOR'S SCHEDULE UPDATE:

Pastor Brad will be participating in a continuing education study week April 10-15 at the Together for the Gospel conference in Louisville, KY.

GETTING TO KNOW FIRST REFORMED

Sundays at 9:30 am starting April 22
Learn more about what it means to become a member of First Reformed Church during this 4-week class which meets in Pastor Brad's office.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR SHIPWRECKED VBS

Where kids learn that Jesus rescues! This adventure will help kids (and adults) begin or deepen their faith by discovering that Jesus cares about them personally and rescues in life's toughest circumstances. For kids age 4 (who are potty trained) through 5th grade. June 18-22, 2018 6:00-8:00pm. Optional family dinner will be offered each night 5:15-6:00pm. Any questions, please contact Jenny Kappers (920) 207-5559

ATTENTION NURSERY HELPERS AND ANYONE INTERESTED IN NURSERY!!

It is time to make a schedule for the next quarter. If anyone wishes to be added to the list or taken off the list please let me know by April 19th. Thank you for helping with this important ministry. If anyone has any questions about the Nursery please contact Tonja Veenendaal at 467-1385 or

btveenendaal@sbcglobal.net

WORK GROUPS

We are reorganizing the work groups. In order to keep this ministry going to serve our families we need your help. Please sign-up to be on a group and consider being a chairperson. We are hoping to get enough volunteers to have 2 chairmen per group and enough groups so you only have to serve maybe once or twice a year. Without your help we will not be able to continue this service. Forms are on the foyer table and in the office. Fill out a sheet and place it in the basket on the foyer table or in the church office. Men, Women, Couples are all encouraged to sign up. Thank you!

PINE HAVEN MEN'S CHORUS

Next Sunday, April 15, 6:00pm
Refreshments will be served following the concert in the Family Life Center. Invite your family and friends!

YOUTH MINISTRIES

Believe (Middle School):

April 11 – 6:30pm
April 18 – 6:30pm
April 25 – 6:30pm

CrossCenter (High School):

April 11- 6:30pm Kaitlin & Valerie have snack
April 18 – 6:30pm Photo Scavenger Hunt
April 25 – 6:30pm Nick & Meg have snack

2018 ELDER/DEACON DISTRICTS:

A-B Steve Stoffregen, Dave Herwig
C-G Aaron Lund, Lee Lohuis
H-I Mark Kappers, Henry Fritsch
J-L Dan Van Wyk, Rick Blaha
M-On Jim Kuplic, Mark Bimmel
Ot-R Gary Ten Haken, Dave Stoffregen
S-Ten Dick Huibregtse, Jeff Born
Th-Vee Steve Wilterdink, John Buehler
Vel-Z Dennis Meerdink, Doug Fabian

COMMUNITY EVENTS

LOVE INC

Personal Care Kits Ministry
In Great Need of the following
Hygiene Items:

- Toilet Paper
- Razors/Shave Cream
(Men's & Women's)
- Feminine Hygiene Products
- Hand Towels
- Washcloths

If you are able to donate, THANK YOU!
Please place all items into your Church's
Love INC Product Drive Collection Bin (by
the foyer table)

This Product Drive Will Run:
Sunday, April 1 — Tuesday, May 1

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Gathering Place is now 10 Years Old
and we are full 3 of the 4 days that we
are open. We are in need of a few more
volunteers to help us out with socializing
with our participants on Mondays from
8:30-3:30 or split the day and help us in
the afternoon from noon (home cooked
meal provided) to 3:30 or Tuesday

afternoons. Please call Carol at 920-627-
6847 or email carolb@stpaulfalls.com
Come and see what we are all about!

Y.A.C. ATTACK

Hosted by Campus Life on Saturday, June
16th at the Campus Life Family Center. All
teens and adults are welcome to
participate in this family-friendly, 5k mud
run (must be in 6th grade or older). All
spectators are free and activities will be
available for younger children. Online
registration is open at
www.gocampuslife.com and continues
through the day of the event. (See
posters on bulletin boards in the
entryways)

Oostburg Christian School has a men's
long black wool coat that was left there
sometime in February. If you attended an
event there this may be your coat.
Contact the school to claim it.

THE NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER is
Thursday, May 3rd. Oostburg Christian
School will be holding a community wide
prayer/praise time for our nation.
Everyone is invited to attend beginning at
9 a.m. Let's come together as a
community to pray for our leaders and
our nation.

MEN'S COAT FOUND

PRAISE AND PRAYER PAGE

To add a request to the page for yourself, or for a family member or friend, simply contact the church office by phone, or by email, or by leaving a note. And, in addition to prayer requests, we'd also like to list opportunities to praise God for His goodness in our lives.

- **Ron Domnisse** will have surgery on Wednesday
- **Randy Gilliam** (Jenny Kappers' dad) - cancer treatments
- **Jeremiah Dawson** – had another surgery on Friday at Children's Hospital – Their home address is:
Josh & Heather Dawson 1606 S. 26th St. in Sheboygan if anyone is wanting to send a card. They also have a Caring Bridge page - Baby J Dawson - if you would like to keep up to date on his progress.

- **Mission of the week – Good Shepherd Meal Ministry**

THANK YOU!

First Reformed Church,

I hope everyone had a blessed Easter. I would like to thank everyone for their generous donations of hygiene products for Helping Kids. I'd like to thank Sherri Halverson for all the work she did to make the hygiene drive a huge success. All the hygiene products will be used when I start filling school backpacks in Aug. for the next school year. Every Helping Kids backpack that goes out not only receives school supplies, but they also get hygiene products such as shampoo & conditioner, body wash, toothpaste, toothbrush, dental floss, and deodorant for the older kids. Your support, prayers, & kindness has truly been a blessing to Helping Kids. From the bottom of my heart I thank you.

God's Richest Blessings, Kathy Rowe – Helping Kids

YOU ARE APPRECIATED! Thanks to all who came to the Palm Sunday breakfast to have good food, Christian fellowship with friends and family during this most Holy Season. Thanks for all the donations of fruit. Loving hearts and many hands make events like this be so successful. Much appreciation to Betty Grothe (she made 120 deviled eggs), Sharon Noel, Leslie Sanzo, Shawn Grothe, Kevin & Lauri Claerbaut, Jim & Betty Kuplic and Kris Beach for all of your help setting up before, serving and cleaning up after. God bless you and Happy Spring! Leon & Carol Kaat

God Helps Those Who ...

4-8-18

Psalm 46:1; 94:16-19

Series: *Mythbusters*

Unless the Lord had given me help, I would soon have dwelt in the silence of death. When I said, "My foot is slipping," your love, O Lord, supported me.

- Psalm 94:17-18

When Jesus saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd.

- Matthew 9:36

1. God does want us to _____ ourselves.

2. But God also wants to _____ others _____ us.

3. And God _____ those who _____ themselves.

MISSION STATEMENT

OUR VISION

Following Jesus together in mission as His love transforms lives for God's glory.

OUR MISSION

At First Reformed Church of Sheboygan Falls, through the leading of the Lord, we seek to:

Live with Jesus, seeking the greatness of God through worship, the Bible, and prayer, in unity with the Lord and with each other.

Live like Jesus, seeking to glorify God and fulfill His kingdom mission of transformation in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Live for Jesus, seeking to share the good news of the gospel and make disciples of all nations.

MINISTERING TODAY

NEXT SUNDAY

GREETERS	Service #1	Larry & Cindy Meyer Henry & Kristi Fritsch	Tim & Kris Gabrielse Tim & Laura Gabrielse
	Service #2	Dick & Gail Huibregtse Jim & Joyce Lemkuil	Lee & Karen Lohuis Greg & Jana Middlesworth
NURSERY	Service #1	Katie Fabian, Stephanie Veenendaal	Julie Huibregtse, Brianna Van Wyk
	Service #2	Rachel Houwers, Sophia Houwers	Jean Kappers, Olivia Blaha
CAMERA	Service #1	Jon Fritsch	Brianna Van Wyk
	Service #2	Chris Zhang	Dan Otte
SOUND	Service #1	Dan Otte	Mark Bimmel
	Service #2	Dan Otte	Ken Van Wyk
GREET/ASSIST PEOPLE	After 1 st Service	Jeff Van Wyk	Greg Middlesworth
CHILDREN'S SERMON	2 nd & 4 th Sundays of the month at 2 nd service	Gina Koene	
USHERS FOR THE MONTH	Each Sunday in April	Service #1: Curt Teunissen Ron Meinnert Doug Fabian	Service #2: Kevin Claerbaut

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