

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 29, 2018
Traditional Service – 8:15am
Contemporary Service – 10:30am

TRADITIONAL SERVICE – 8:15am

PRELUDE

Julie Sonnentag

WELCOME

HYMN #3 – *"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: *Holy and loving God, we so often confuse the purpose of life with our happiness instead of Your holiness. We search for what will satisfy, and look to other things to fill the void of what only You can give. We doubt Your goodness, and struggle to see how trials in our lives can transform us into who You're calling us to be. We resist Your leading, and allow our choices to be influenced by the world instead of Your Word. Forgive us, and help us discover the true and lasting happiness of living with You, and like You, and for You. Amen.*

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

"Through It All"

Choir

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

HYMN #551 – *"O to Be Like Thee!"*

SERMON

"The Happiest Place on Earth"

Pastor Brad

Romans 8:28-29, pg. 1119;
1 Peter 1:3-9,13-16, pg. 1200

OFFERTORY

HYMN #656 – *"Take Time to Be Holy"*

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"

WELCOME

"Everyday"

"Same Power"

PRAYER

"Grace Like Rain"

SERMON

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OFFERTORY

"Lion and the Lamb"

BENEDICTION

WELCOME

We worship in the name of our creative God,
our all-loving Savior and rejuvenating Spirit. Amen.

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

TUESDAY:

1:00pm Dorcas Sewing Society
6:45pm Choir
7:00pm Elders

WEDNESDAY:

6:30pm CrossCenter

THURSDAY:

11:00am National Day of Prayer at
Pine Haven – Haven Drive

SATURDAY:

10am-noon Shepherd's Closet open

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHIPWRECKED VBS NEEDS YOU!

VBS will be held June 18-22, 6:00-8:00pm. We are looking for teachers, student helpers and kitchen help. Check the available volunteer options on the VBS table and sign up. This awesome ministry cannot run without you! Please fill out a volunteer form and state your t-shirt size. If you have any questions, please contact Jenny Kappers or Sherri Halverson.

SHIPWRECKED VBS NEEDS SUPPORT

We have a list of food needed for our family meal we offer each night. Please sign-up on the form on the VBS table. Also, anyone interested in sponsoring a child, please place your monetary donation in the box. We appreciate your support!

EVERYONE IS INVITED!

Come join us for our VBS closing program on Friday, June 22 at 7:30pm. Enjoy hearing the kids sing and dance and hear what God taught us all during the week. We will enjoy ice cream sundaes after the program. Guaranteed to put a smile on your face!

WORK GROUPS

WE NEED YOU! **Please** sign-up to be on a work group. If you are currently on a group we still need you to fill out a form to remain on a group. 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. Please sign-up no later than Sunday, May 13. Thank you!

YOUTH MINISTRIES

CrossCenter (High School):

May 2 - 6:30pm Bust-up party!

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

THE NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER is Thursday, May 3rd at 11am at Pine Haven Christian Communities – Haven Drive Campus community center. Join with the leaders of our local faith organizations for a community prayer event. Lunch will be served. This event is sponsored by Sheboygan Falls Kiwanis Club and Pine Haven as part of their community outreach program. Everyone is invited! **Also**, if you are not able to make the daytime event at Pine Haven all are welcome to attend the 7:00pm National Day of Prayer Service on Thursday, May 3, at Christ Community Church (428 Geele Ave., Sheboygan). Prayers, scriptures, songs, and a meditation by Aaron Back center around this year's theme of Unity for America.

COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH RALLY
Saturday, May 5th, 10am-noon at Calvary Ev. Lutheran Church, 2132 N. 27th St. in Sheboygan (corner of 27th & Geele). Hear from Professional speakers in the mental health field and people living with a mental illness. Free Event! Public Invited! Come! Learn! May is Mental Health Awareness Month. For more info contact Karen Lueders 920-803-9523.

ST. PAUL PRESCHOOL OPEN HOUSE
St. Paul Lutheran Early Childhood Center located at 730 County Rd PPP in Sheboygan Falls will be holding an Open House on Saturday, May 12th from 10 – 11:00 am. Openings are available for the 2018-19 school year in the 4K and afternoon Preschool classes. Very limited space is available in the Summer Child Care program for 2 ½ - 5 year olds. For more information, see our website at www.stpaulfalls.com/school, contact us at 467-6733 or e-mail to preschool@stpaulfalls.com

Come join us in praise and worship at our 2018 finale performance May 5, 6:00 pm SING PRAISE CONCERT - featuring Pine Haven Men's Chorus, 1st Reformed Church Oostburg Quintet, Cornette Family, The Golden Chorals of Sheboygan, & Kings Delegates at Gibbssville Reformed Church. Admission is free. A goodwill offering will be taken to benefit the residents of Pine Haven Christian Communities.

PROJECT ANGEL HUGS 11TH ANNUAL "BE AN ANGEL" BENEFIT will be held Sunday June 24, at the Sheboygan County Fairgrounds. 11:00 am to 6:00 pm. Once again, dance to music all day long! After extensive feedback from our Bucket raffles last year we have gone back to a wonderful selection of Silent Auction baskets for you to bid on. We will have 50/50 Raffles throughout the day, Honorary Balloon Release at 2:30. We have a Rock Wall, Pony rides, petting zoo, many games & activities along with Bouncy fun for the little ones. Join us for lunch or dinner we will be serving all day, Brats, Chicken Breasts, Burgers, Hot Dogs and German Potato Salad. 100% of the proceeds from this event will support our outreach program to 390 children touched by cancer and their families. Hope to see you there!!! We are still in need of baskets and items for our auction, please call for pickup or drop them off at our office by June 6th. Call with questions 920-892-9138.

TEACHER POSITION OPEN
Potential 4K teaching position open at Oostburg Christian School. We are looking for applicants for a possible opening teaching in our 4K classroom. If you have a State of Wisconsin teaching certificate or a 4 year degree, a love for Jesus Christ and His covenant children, call the school office at 920-564-2664 and speak with our Administrator , Paul Modahl. Applications will be accepted through May 18, 2018.

PINE HAVEN MEN'S CHORUS

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.

- **Susan Wessel** is having ankle replacement surgery on Monday.
- **Mary Loewen** – recent diagnosis of breast cancer - undergoing treatments
- **Jeremiah Dawson** is at Children's Hospital
- **Willis Rooker** is at Sharon Richardson Hospice
- **Bruce Robinson**, son-in-law of Dave & Sue Wessel, recovering at home from back surgery

- Congratulations to **Elizabeth Harcula** on the birth of her daughter, Scarlett. God's blessings to you and your precious daughter. (Elizabeth is a friend and foster daughter of Ken & Pam Tarr)

- **Mission of the week – Jeremiah & Sandy Fyffe – CrossPointe Coast**

THANK YOU!

- Praises for God's mercy and grace to us in Ron's recent serious illness. Thank you for all the prayers, visits, gifts and kindnesses. It was felt, appreciated and bound us as family in Christ. God is good all the time and All the time God is good. Ron & Rhonda Dommissie

- I would like to thank my church family for the cards and prayers I received since my knee surgery. Also thanks to Evie and Pastor Brad for their prayers at the hospital. Janet Rooker

The Happiest Place on Earth

4-29-18

Romans 8:28-29; 1 Peter 1:3-9,13-16

Series: *Mythbusters*

4/8 God helps those who help themselves.

4/22 God gains an angel when someone dies.

Today God wants me to be happy.

But just as he who called you is holy, so be holy in all you do.

- 1 Peter 1:15

But may the righteous be glad and rejoice before God; may they be happy and joyful.

- Psalm 68:3

1. God w_____ us to be h_____.

2. But God is not w_____ all things for our h_____.

3. God's w_____ for us is to find h_____ in h_____.

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	Mark & Jean Kappers Dave & Sandy Herwig	Doug & Katie Fabian Dean & Brenda Hanke
	Service #2	Bob Bonneau, Jeff Born Sharon Petruski, Sue Wisse	Bev Dulmes, Phyllis Meerdink Lee & Megan Schroeder
NURSERY	Service #1	Tonja Veenendaal	Julie Huibregtse, Stephanie Veenendaal
	Service #2	Kim Beeck, Julia Beeck	Gail Huibregtse, Valerie Halverson
CAMERA	Service #1	Jon Fritsch	Sophia Zhang
	Service #2	Dan Otte	Jared Veenendaal
SOUND	Service #1	Gary Ten Haken	Dan Otte
	Service #2	Jared Veenendaal	Dan Otte
GREET/ASSIST PEOPLE	After 1 st Service	Dave Mulder	Dick Huibregtse
CHILDREN'S SERMON	2 nd & 4 th Sundays of the month at 2 nd service		VBS - Sherri Halverson
USHERS FOR THE MONTH	Each Sunday in May	Service #1: Art Dulmes Gary Ten Haken	Service #2: Steve Beeck

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