

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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September 24, 2017
Traditional Service – 8:15am
Contemporary Service – 10:30am

TRADITIONAL SERVICE – 8:15am

PRELUDE

Julie Sonnentag

WELCOME

HYMN #431 – *"Shine, Jesus, Shine"*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: *Holy and merciful God, You have called us out of darkness into Your wonderful light. And You have called us to let our light shine before others, so that they may see You in us and praise Your name. But we confess how often we have put our light under a bowl instead of sharing the light with those around us. Come and let Your light "shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ." (2 Cor. 4:6) Amen.*

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

MINISTRY OF MUSIC - *"Getting Used to the Family"*

Choir

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

HYMN #399 – *"We Are God's People"*

SERMON

"Why Are We Here?"

Pastor Brad

1 Peter 2:4-12, pg. 1201

OFFERTORY

HYMN vs. 1-2 – *"Church of God, Elect and Glorious"*

BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG #419 – *"The Family of God"*

*I'm so glad I'm a part of the fam'ly of God
I've been washed in the fountain,
Cleansed by His blood!
Joint heirs with Jesus as we travel this sod;
For I'm part of the fam'ly, the fam'ly of God.*

CONTEMPORARY SERVICE – 10:30am

PRELUDE

"The River"

WELCOME

"Cornerstone"

"Eye of the Storm"

PRAYER

"Love Is Here"

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON

"Why Are We Here?"

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1 Peter 2:4-12, pg. 1201

OFFERTORY

"Children of God"

BENEDICTION

WELCOME

The psalmist invites us to "seek the Lord and His strength; seek His presence continually." May you sense the Lord's presence here and throughout your days.

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
7:00pm Men's Bible Study

Tuesday:

5:00pm Good Shepherd Meal
No Choir practice tonight

Wednesday:

6:30pm Promiseland, Believe &
CrossCenter

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHOIR

No choir practice this week.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

If any women would like to join us we meet the 2nd & 4th Mondays of the month at 6:30pm in the Lighthouse. On October 9, we will begin with a new study by Laura Story "When God Doesn't Fix It." If you have any questions or would like to join us please contact Rhonda Dommissie.

MONDAY MORNING WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY will resume on Sept 25. We will be studying from Session 4 in our book.

SUPPER 8 GROUPS

Are you interested in having a meal or fellowship time with others in your church family? Sign-up sheet for our new Supper 8 Groups is on the foyer table. If you have any questions talk to Karen Heidenreiter.

CONSISTORY NOMINATION FORMS

are now in your church mailbox. Please prayerfully consider members of our congregation to nominate to serve as elders and deacons, and place your nomination ballot in the designated box on the foyer table by Sunday, October 1.

GETTING TO KNOW FIRST REFORMED

Sundays at 9:30 am; Sept. 24 - Oct. 15
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.

16th ANNUAL HARVEST FESTIVAL

AND DINNER (auction, sale, door prizes, dinner, entertainment, etc.) Mark your calendars for October 7th. Donation of produce, craft items, etc. for the sale are appreciated. Help is also appreciated. Doors will open for auction at 4:00pm and dinner will be at 5:00pm. **Please sign-up on the sheet on the foyer table today!** Questions, call Leon & Carol Kaat at 627-4196.

GREETING CARDS

A large supply of Christmas and Birthday cards have been placed on the shelves in the library. Other types of cards will be ordered in January.

PANS

If you made bars for the Block Party or some other event please check the kitchen for your pan. There are several empty pans left down there.

YOUTH MINISTRIES

Promiseland (1st-5th grades):

Sept 27 – 6:30-7:45pm

Oct. 4 – 6:30pm

Oct. 11 – 6:30pm

Oct. 18 – 6:30pm

Oct. 25 – 6:30pm

Believe (Middle School):

Sept 27 – 6:30pm

Oct. 4 – 6:30pm

Oct. 11 – 6:30pm

Oct. 18 – 6:30pm

Oct. 25 – 6:30pm

CrossCenter (High School):

Sept 27 – 6:30pm

Oct. 4 – 6:30pm

Oct. 11 – 6:30pm

Oct. 18 – 6:30pm

Oct. 25 – 6:30pm

COMMUNITY EVENTS

MEN, Use your God-given singing talent to praise Him and share the story of salvation - while helping the residents of Pine Haven. Join the Pine Haven Men's Chorus. If you are interested contact Bob Caljouw before October 1 at (920-627-6961 or email: rdcaljouw@gmail.com).

LOVE INC SPECIAL EVENT

The Defining Difference: Helping in Ways that Transform

First Reformed Church - Oostburg

Community Event: Fri., Oct. 6, 6:00 - 7:30 pm

Volunteer Training: Sat., Oct. 7, 8:00 am - 12:00 pm

Registration Fee: \$10

Register at loveincshebygancounty.org

Presentation and training will be led by Lois Tupy, executive director of Love INC of Treasure Valley, Idaho, and author of the book Redemptive Compassion. Join us on a Biblical exploration of how God has called us to love and serve our neighbors. Together we can make a defining difference.

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.

- **Samantha Meinnert**
- Please be praying for the Elder and Deacon nomination process

- **Mission of the week – Carolee Graf**

THANK YOU!

Helping Kids would like to thank First Reformed Church for their amazing generosity for all the wonderful school supplies. I'd also like to thank Pastor Brad and Laura Hartlep for all you do for Helping Kids. Without all your generous donations we would not have been able to fill the growing need this year. Helping Kids Ministries gave out 93 backpacks filled with school supplies to kids in need. Each backpack not only has school supplies in it but also hygiene products such as toothpaste, toothbrush, dental floss, body wash, shampoo, conditioner, & deodorant for the older kids. There is no better feeling than seeing a child's face light up with excitement when you hand them their backpack. Your willingness to serve the Lord and your love for others was shown thru your prayers, and generous donations. I pray God will bless each of you as you have blessed Helping Kids. From the bottom of my heart I thank you. God's richest blessings! Kathy Rowe – Helping Kids

A huge thank you again to all who donated to the Walk To End Alzheimer's. We raised \$2400.00 of our \$3000.00 goal. Donations are still being accepted. Contact Julie if interested. Thank you.
Brian and Julie Messner

Why Are We Here?

9-24-17

1 Peter 2:4-12

Series: *Counter-Culture – Living for the Lord as Strangers in the World*
Week 3: The Support of the Church

You also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Christ Jesus.

- 1 Peter 2:5

You are ... a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.

- 1 Peter 2:9

1. Built to S_____

2. Built to S_____

3. Built to S_____

The _____ of God

The _____ to God

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

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|-------------------------|---|--|--|
| GREETERS | Service #1 | Dave & Ellie Wingert Mike & Mary Rammer | Erwin Spindler, Jeff Wingert Steve & Lynette Stoffregen |
| | Service #2 | Karen Rooker, Phyllis Meerdink Lee & Megan Schroeder | Howard & Bernice Buehler Travis & Morgan Steffen |
| NURSERY | Service #1 | Tong Wang, Sophia Zhang | Julie Huibregtse, Jared Veenendaal |
| | Service #2 | Kim Beeck, Julia Beeck | Gail Huibregtse, Lila Houwers |
| CAMERA | Service #1 | Chris Zhang | Brianna Van Wyk |
| | Service #2 | Dan Otte | Charlotte Harlin |
| SOUND | Service #1 | Gary Ten Haken | Dan Otte |
| | Service #2 | Corey Kappers/Jared Veenendaal | Dan Otte |
| GREET/ASSIST PEOPLE | After 1 st Service | Dick Huibregtse | Ning Zhang |
| CHILDREN'S SERMON | 2 nd & 4 th Sundays of the month at 2 nd service | Gina Koene | |
| USHERS FOR THE MONTH | Each Sunday in OCTOBER | Service #1: Paul Graumann Jerry Swart Bob Bonneau | Service #2: Marty Halverson |

OUR STAFF

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