

PRAYERS AND PRAISE

We pray for continued healing and comfort for Melvin Hulshof, Doug Smit, Ardel Smit, Genie Saunders, Verna Knowles, Wally Schipper, and those with unspoken prayer requests.

Continued healing prayers for friends of the church Denise Endrulat, Ron Hulshof Jr., Bruce Smit, Marv Timmer and Mary Ann Van Driel.

And for those in nursing homes & assisted living, including: Helen Ver Hoeven, Junior Reinders, Coba Hulshof, Melvin Hulshof, Jeneva Coulander and many others who are not specifically mentioned.

For our servicemen: Air Force Master, Sergeant Jesse Richardson and Master Sergeant Mandie Richardson

For our missionaries: Jeremy and Susan Beebout: Niger, Seung and Amy Kim: Bangladesh, and the Winnebago Reformed Church.

BULLETIN PRAYER REQUESTS:

If you would like a prayer request printed in the bulletin, please contact the church office or sldas67@yahoo.com to share the request. Bulletin announcements are due by Thursday, at noon.

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FIRST REFORMED CHURCH

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Dec 6, 2020

Worship led by

Pastor Gerry Norman

Organist, Wanda Van Ravenswaay

WELCOME

WELCOME TO FIRST REFORMED!

Welcome to First Reformed! We are so glad you are here today. We are a group of ordinary people on an extraordinary journey learning about living with and for Jesus Christ.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

HELPING THOSE IN ISOLATION

The residents in the nursing home & assisted living cannot have visitors face to face. It would be nice for them to receive a phone call to brighten their day! These are the residents that provided their phone numbers:

Melvin Hulshof 712-441-6568
JR Reinders 605-408-4245
Helen Ver Hoeven 712-441-3756
Ardel Smit 712-540-8449
Delores Schipper 278-2239
Wally Schipper 278-2239
Jeneva Coulander 712-631-4012
Verna Knowles 712-278-2157

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Thank you for your donations for Operation Christmas Child. We were able to pack 30 boxes! Your support is greatly appreciated!

CHRISTMAS EVENTS IN IRETON

***Santa Claus will not be coming to** Ireton on December 12 due to COVID 19. Instead various businesses will be having a meat drawing. These businesses will have a place to put your name in for the drawing. Please include your name and phone # with your entry.

*The Ireton Booster Board is sponsoring a **Christmas Lighting Contest**. 1st place \$300, 2nd place \$200, and 3rd place \$100. Judging will take place the evening of 12-13-20. Rural residents also eligible. Call the city office at 278-2112 to register.

PRAYERS

PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR THOSE WITH AND THOSE EXPOSED TO COVID. PRAY FOR A VACCINE TO COME SOON! (Melvin Hulshof, Ardel Smit and Doug Smit)

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Congregational Meeting is on December 13 after worship. We will be choosing new officers, discussing and approving the budget, and discussing the future plans for the church.

WORSHIP

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Prelude

Welcome

Song "O Come All Ye Faithful" (178)

Advent Candle

Song "O Holy Night" (183)

Family Time and Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Children's Message

Prayer

Doxology

Special Music Mary Did You Know

Song "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" (193)

Doxology

Scripture **Isaiah 40:1-5**

Sermon **"Make Straight the Way"**

Prayer

Song "O Little Town of Bethlehem" (192 vs. 1,4)

Meaning of the Sacrament

Communion

Thanksgiving after Communion

Noisy Offering

Closing Song "Ring the Bells" (190)

Postlude

UPCOMING EVENTS

NEXT SUNDAY

9:30 AM WORSHIP AT FRC
10:30 – 11:30 AM CHILDREN'S
CHRISTMAS DRAMA REHEARSAL

WEDNESDAYS

(ANYONE CAN STILL JOIN)
7:00 PM – 8:00 PM BIBLE STUDY AT FRC

DECEMBER DATES TO REMEMBER:

6 – Communion
10 – Consistory 7:00 pm
13 – Congregational Meeting after church
20 – Children's program 9:30 am
24 – Christmas Eve Service 6:00 pm

USHERS/GREETERS

Del Postma

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

12/06 Olivia Norman
12/09 Casey Westergard
12/12 Carley Hirshman

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

12/12 Diane & Denny Ten Napel