

CHURCH LEADERSHIP

2019 Elders

Craig Peterson (2019)
Randy Westergard – VP (2019)
Del Postma (2020)
Doug Smit - Clerk (2020)

2019 Deacons

Josh Van Der Brink (2019)
Valerie Westergard (2019)
Denny Hulshof (2020)
Kay Mulder (2020)

Education Committee

Denny Hulshof (Chair)	Lisa Van Der Brink
Kay Mulder	Aimee Boden
Randy Westergard	

Outreach Committee

Valerie Westergard (Chair)	Corinne Postma
Kay Mulder	Janet Smit
Josh Van Der Brink	Ruth Westergard

Pastoral Relations Committee

Pastor Gerry Norman (Chair)	
Doug Smit	Chuck Boden
Del Postma	Devin Van Der Brink
Valerie Westergard	Ruth Westergard

Property Committee

Doug Smit (Chair)	Mike Tiedeman
Craig Peterson	Jolene DeBoer
Josh Van Der Brink	

Worship Committee

Del Postma (Chair)	Casey Westergard
Denny Hulshof	Lyle Hulshof
	Laura Hirschman

PRAYERS & PRAISE

We pray for continued healing and comfort for Verna Knowles, Chuck Mulder, Audrey Rus, Rick Schipper and those with unspoken prayer requests.

Continued healing prayers for friends of the church Denise Endrulat, Kathy Huitink, Mary Ann Van Driel and Jake Van Roekel.

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

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

SERVING NEXT WEEK (APRIL 14)

Greeters: Doug and Janet Smit
April Usher: Steve Schuld

BULLETIN PRAYER REQUESTS:

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

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FIRST REFORMED CHURCH

LOVE · SERVE · REACH

April 7, 2019

Worship led by Pastor Gerry Norman

Greeting You Today, Lyle and Steph Hulshof

April Usher, Steve Schuld

Pianist, Linda Schipper

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 to love and serve like Jesus. Following the service, we invite you to the basement for coffee, cookies and laughter to hear more about how you belong at First Reformed!



*Easter at
First Reformed*

PALM SUNDAY
April 14 9:30 AM

MAUNDY THURSDAY
April 18 7:00 PM

EASTER SUNDAY
April 21 8:00 AM
Breakfast to follow

SUNDAY OPPORTUNITIES

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL (AGE 3 – 5th GRADE)

10:45 – 11:45 in the church basement.

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL (6th – 8th GRADE)

10:45 – 11:45 in the church basement.

RCYF (9th – 12th GRADE)

10:45 – 11:45 in the church basement.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL (All are welcome!)

10:45 – 11:45 in the church basement.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

RESET UPDATE: The first night of RESET was held last Sunday, March 31st! We had a huge response and many lives were touched by the experience. Our next RESET is scheduled for Sunday, April 28th at 7 p.m.

A MIRACLE SUNDAY OFFERING was taken last Sunday, March 31st and raised \$72,000 in cash and commitments. Thank you all so much for your generosity! With these gifts, work on repairing the church roof will begin.

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP MEMBERS, Molly Hulshof, Carley Hirschman and Addison Westergard are currently attending GRIT, a Middle School Retreat, in Dayton, Iowa. Mindi Hulshof is chaperoning. The group has been participating in an AWESOME weekend of worship, large group sessions, small groups, youth group time, and of course, recreation and games! Pray for open hearts and minds during this time and safe travel.

MAUNDY THURSDAY AND EASTER WORSHIP: We will join together for the worship service on Maundy Thursday, April 18 at 7 PM for our commemoration of Jesus' death for our sins. The celebration of Resurrection Sunday will begin on April 21 at 8 AM with the Easter Service. Breakfast will be served following worship. We look forward to this celebration of the fulfillment of God's act of salvation for us through the gift of his Son.

"COMMUNITY PRAYER WITH A GLOBAL FOCUS," a new monthly event, joining churches in Sioux County to pray for global and local concerns will have its first meeting will be on Wednesday, April 10th, 7:30-8:30pm at New Hope Church in Orange City to pray for Somalians here and abroad. Future gatherings will be on the 1st Wednesday of each month and will be hosted and led by members of various local churches. Join in! With big prayers we make space for big miracles.

THE BIENNIAL DORDT COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL BAND FESTIVAL will take place on Friday, April 12, at 7:00 pm in the B.J. Haan Auditorium. In addition to the two Dordt bands, 9 high school bands are participating in the festival, bringing nearly 400 high school students to Dordt's campus.

BAKERS NEEDED - APRIL 9. We are looking for homemade cookies, a pan of bars and etc, so we can bless West Sioux Middle/High School students at our monthly YFC Snack Giveaway. Cookies are needed by April 8. If you can help out or if you need more information please contact Tom Cook at tom@siouxlandyfc.org or 701-269-6259/6352.

LOVE INC SIOUX COUNTY IS SEEKING A PART-TIME MINISTRY COORDINATOR/OFFICE ASSISTANT. This person must have a heart for Christian service, compassion for others and a commitment to the Love INC mission and ministry model. This position requires strong interpersonal skills, attention to detail, the ability to be a self-starter, work independently and have a strong knowledge of Microsoft programs. If interested please send a resume to Love INC Sioux County, PO Box 85, Rock Valley, IA 51247. For additional information please contact Debbie Van't Hul at 476.5990.

THE BLACKWOOD BROTHERS will be presenting a benefit concert on Saturday evening, April 20 at 6:30 PM at the BJ Haan Auditorium on the campus of Dordt College. The concert will also feature the Master's Voice from Sioux Falls, SD and the Four For Him Quartet from Sanborn, IA. Tickets will be \$15.00 per person and sold at the door only, beginning at 5:00 PM. All proceeds from the concert will benefit the local and global ministries of Hope Haven.

WORSHIP

Prelude

* **Come, Now Is The Time To Worship** 🎵

Video: I Thirst (Mother Theresa Meditation)

Prayer

* **10,000 Reasons** 🎵

Family Time and Prayer

Children's Message

Offering

#283 There Is Power In The Blood 🎵

* Doxology

* Offering Prayer

Lent Series, "Words from the Cross"

John 19:28-29

The Suffering Word



Prayer

* Benediction

* **Noisy Offering / Reckless Love** 🎵

Postlude

* Please stand, if able 🎵 Congregational singing

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, APRIL 7

9:30 AM Worship (Noisy Offering)
10:45 – 11:45 Sunday School Classes

TUESDAY, APRIL 9

Happy Anniversary Denny and Mindi Hulshof!

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10

Happy Anniversary Lyle and Steph Hulshof!
7 PM Outreach Committee Meeting

THURSDAY, APRIL 11

7 PM Consistory Meeting
(Elders at 7 / Full Consistory at 7:30)

SATURDAY, APRIL 13

Happy Anniversary Don and Deanna Lockhorst!

SUNDAY, APRIL 14

Palm Sunday (Kids Will Be Singing)
9:30 AM Worship
10:45 – 11:45 Sunday School Classes

TUESDAY, APRIL 16

6:00 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast

THURSDAY, APRIL 18

7 PM Maundy Thursday Service

SUNDAY, APRIL 21

8:00 AM Easter Worship
Breakfast to follow