

# WELCOME

First Reformed Church

February 3, 2019

## Welcome to Worship!

We are so glad that you are here! Today is Super Bowl Sunday and millions of Americans will gather this evening to celebrate the accomplishment of two teams who defeated enough opponents to make it the championship game. That is fun and significant in the sports world. But as we gather, we celebrate something even more significant. We gather to celebrate the accomplishment of Jesus Christ who defeated the enemies, sin, and death so that you could live an abundant life in Christ. And for the past four weeks we have been encouraging you to live that abundant life in Christ, by allowing God to reset your life and faith.

Today we conclude our "Reset: Jesus Changes Everything" message series with a call to "Doing Discipleship", because it's not enough to believe, you must act on those beliefs. Today as we celebrate communion, we invite you to remember the person of Jesus Christ and his sacrifice for you and the salvation He offers to you and the whole world. Let this time of communion call you back to the commitments you have made. And may you look forward to the promises that Jesus will continue to fulfill in your life. May this morning be meaningful to you and may you hear the message that God has for you.

May God reset your life and faith today,

Pastor Chet

## "Reset: Jesus Changes Everything"

Exploring the book of Acts: Acts 1:8; 3:19-20

Week 1      Reset: Jesus Changes Everything:  
Series Intro (Waking Up To Worship)  
Read Acts Ch. 1-6

Week 2      Reset: Reaching Out/Evangelism  
Read Acts 7-12

Week 3      Reset: Forming Fellowship  
Read Acts 13-18

Week 4      Reset: Making Ministry Happen  
Read Acts 19-24

Week 5      Reset: Doing Discipleship  
Read Acts 25-28

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## WEEKLY EVENTS

### SUNDAY – the 3rd Celebration of Communion Installation/Ordination

Worship                    8:30 a.m.  
                                         11:00 a.m.

Fellowship time following  
Sunday School      10:00 a.m.  
Sermon based small groups  
in fellowship hall    10:00 a.m.

### MONDAY - the 4th

Book Club                    5:30 p.m.  
RCW Soup-er Bowl Party  
                                         6:30 p.m.

All women of the church are  
invited

### WEDNESDAY - the 6th

Love Bible study      6:15 p.m.  
Kids' activities        6:30 p.m.  
Youth group            6:30 p.m.  
Hope Bible study      6:30 p.m.  
Choir practice         7:45 p.m.



## ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING –

Those elected were:

<u>Elder</u>	<u>Deacon</u>
Lyndon Overweg	Jeff Schoenfelder
Bob Polly	Joel VanderPol

\*\*\*BOOK CLUB will be meeting at the church on  
Monday, Feb. 4, at 5:30 p.m.

RCW SOUP-ER BOWL PARTY - FEB. 4, 6:30 P.M.  
Annual RCW Fun Night - Fellowship with women  
of the church, door prizes, soup, games,  
childcare provided until 8 p.m. Wear favorite  
team color or jersey!

"SAINTS & SENIORS" - Feb. 14, noon  
Games following the meal

Love Feast - Thursday, February 28th.  
Volunteer sign-up at Connection Center

## FEATURES FOR THE WEEK:

Sign up in the lobby to participate in a small group during the Church-wide Spiritual Growth Campaign. Order your 'Transformed' workbook today. The cost is \$10. We want everyone in the congregation to have one of these workbooks, so if you feel you can't afford one, please don't worry as we have funds available to cover the books.

**New Congregational Care outreach: Provide meals for sick, birth of baby, etc.**  
Kathy Matthews is the coordinator (999-3358)

\*\*\*Save the Date - Power Connection is set for July 26-28th. This is for middle school students, grades 6th-8th.

## OTHER INFO:

Attendance Jan. 27: 186  
General offering Jan. 27: \$4,240.00  
Weekly offering needed: \$6,717.25

## PRAYERS FOR:

Clarice Adema, Betty Anderson, Gregg Hielema, Esther Pietz, Henrietta Star, VanderWilt, Van't Haaff & Hansen family, Betty Buchele

## MESSAGE NOTES

“RESET: JESUS CHANGES EVERYTHING”

Week 5: “Doing Discipleship”

Acts 18:1-17; 28:28-31

### Doing Discipleship

Discipleship is

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At FRC, we believe discipleship happens when,

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“And the Lord said to Paul one night in a vision, ‘Do not be afraid, but go on speaking and do not be silent, for I am with you, and no one will attack you to harm you, for I have many in this city who are my people.’ And he stayed a year and six months, teaching the word of God among them” –

**Acts 18:9-11**

### The first two steps:

1. Resetting your connection to Christ.      Spend time with God.  
John 15:1-5; Acts 1:1-5
2. Resetting your connection to Community.      Spend time with others.  
Acts 18:11; 28:28-31

**\*\*\*CHALLENGE:      SIGN UP TODAY FOR A SMALL GROUP!**



# ORDER OF WORSHIP

Pastor Chet Carlson

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## 8:30 a.m. Service

**Prelude**  
**\*Welcome & Greeting** Pastor Chet  
**\*Hymn of Praise** #354 "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"  
**Ordination /Installation of Elders and Deacons**  
Elders - Lyndon Overweg and Bob Polly  
Deacons - Jeff Schoenfelder and Joel VanderPol  
**\*Hymn** #485 "The Battle Belongs to the Lord"  
**Family Prayer Time & Announcements** Jordan Beukelman  
(4 yr. olds - 2nd graders dismissed for Children & Worship)  
**Offering Our Gifts to God**  
Please sign the Connection Card during this time.  
**Scripture** Acts 18:1-17; 28:28-31  
**Message** "Reset: Doing Discipleship" ~ Pastor Chet  
**Celebration of Holy Communion**  
**\*Parting Hymn** #517 "I'd Rather Have Jesus"  
**\*Benediction** Jordan Beukelman

\*\*\*Sermon-based small groups meet in the fellowship hall at 10 a.m.

## 11:00 a.m. Service

**Prelude**  
**\*Welcome & Greeting** Pastor Chet  
**\*Praise Songs** "Days of Elijah"  
"Your Name"  
**Family Prayer Time & Announcements**  
(4 yr. olds - 2nd graders dismissed for Children & Worship)  
**Offering Our Gifts to God**  
Please sign the Connection Card during this time.  
**\*Praise Song** "Great Are You Lord"  
**Scripture** Acts 18:1-17; 28:28-31  
**Message** "Reset: Doing Discipleship" ~ Pastor Chet  
**Celebration of Holy Communion**  
**\*Praise Song** "Rock of Ages"  
**\*Benediction**

# ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF ELDERS AND DEACONS

## Elders

Lyndon Overweg

Bob Polly

## Deacons

Jeff Schoenfelder

Joel VanderPol

Deacons and elders are called to serve as Christ served. We look to them to be people of spiritual commitment, exemplary life, compassionate spirit, and sound judgment.

Deacons are set apart for a ministry of mercy, service and outreach.

They gather gifts and offerings,  
care for them faithfully,  
and distribute them with wisdom and compassion  
to persons in need

and for purposes that advance God's kingdom on earth.  
Deacons visit and comfort the distressed,  
provide for whatever necessities may arise, and  
assist the congregation at services of worship.

Elders are set apart for a ministry of watchful and responsible care for the welfare and order of the church.

They have oversight of all members,  
including one another, the deacons, and the ministers,  
equipping everyone to live in harmony with God's Word.  
They ensure the Word of God is rightly proclaimed and taught,  
and the sacraments faithfully administered.  
Elders assist the minister/s with their good counsel,  
and serve all Christians with advice, consolation, and  
encouragement.

Elders and deacons, together with the minister/s, form the consistory to lead God's people in proclaiming good news to the poor, righteousness to the nations, and peace among all.

The consistory provides for the welfare of the church, stewardship of property and finance, and the spiritual benefit and growth of all Christ's people.

As the three offices of deacon, elder, and minister of Word and sacrament are united in Christ, so also in the church one office is not separate from the others. The minister of Word and sacrament does not serve without the elder and neither without the deacon. Together they enable the whole mission of the church. Everything in the church will be done decently and in order when faithful persons are called to office, and responsibly fulfill their charge.

## “Reset” Review of the Message Series: Pastor Chet

**Series Overview:** Just like our technology needs to be reset, so do our lives and our faith. The Bible calls this reset, “repentance”. Our series explores the book of Acts seeing how the Holy Spirit led the people back then, we will be able to better recognize how God and the Holy Spirit is leading us today. Our theme verse for this series was Acts 3:19, “Repent therefore, and turn back, that your sins may be blotted out, that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, and that he may send the Christ appointed for you”. The way we reset our lives is by being empowered by the Holy Spirit and living purpose driven lives.

**Week 1** Waking up to Worship. The resurrection of Jesus was and is the ultimate reset. Without the resurrection we would be stuck in our sin. The book of Acts guides us on a journey that is motivated not just by a mission but they were motivated by the master—Jesus Christ who was dead, buried and rose from the grave and is alive then and for eternity.

**Week 2** Reaching Out. “The Good News is like a baton to be passed, not a chair to sit on”. We need to understand more than the what, we need to know the why, why do you have hope, and who is the strength of our hope and salvation—Jesus Christ.

**Week 3** Forming Fellowship. “If we want to form a fellowship that is significant, it must cost us something”. The power of the Church is not that we gather but that we give ourselves in service, in sacrifice and sometimes even in suffering to love our brothers and sisters in the family of God.

**Week 4** Making Ministry Happen. Ministry is not an option to choose but an expectation to fulfill. Ministry is more than worship services, bible studies, or programs—ministry is bringing the presence and power of God to the problems of the world in a way that creates new God designed possibilities. “Your value comes from God’s love for you and God’s vision for your life”. Discover your God-given vision and live it out by seeking the Holy Spirit’s guidance and setting a strategy in motion.