

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

Pastor Dean Ulmer  
Pastor Jeffrey Hubers  
July 30, 2017

## 8:30 a.m. Service

### PRELUDE

#### Call to Worship

\*Greet One Another

\*Hymn of Praise

#10 "O Worship the King"

Preparatory for Holy Communion

Prayers of God's People

Pastor Dean

Offering Our Gifts to God

Scott Pietz, deacon

We will receive the General fund offering first this morning, followed by a special 5th Sunday offering for the Mitchell Christian School.

**Please sign the worship registry during offering time.**

\*Hymn

#52 "O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

Scripture

Nehemiah 1

Message

"Waiting on God's Lead" ~ Pastor Dean

\*Benediction

\*Parting Song

#507 "Through It All"

## 11:00 a.m. Service

Greet One Another

\*Praise Songs

Preparatory for Holy Communion

Prayers of God's People

\*Praise Song

Scripture

Nehemiah 1

Message

"Waiting on God's Lead" ~ Pastor Dean

\*Benediction

\*Ending Song

\*\*\*Second service attendees: Please place your offering for the week in one of the collection plates at the entrance to the sanctuary.

\*\*\*To listen to the service on the phone, dial 990-6338 & put in 13201 as attendee number.

If you would like to hear the sermon again, you can find it on the church's website [www.firstreformed.com](http://www.firstreformed.com)

*There is a time for everything, a season for every activity under heaven . . . I know that everything God does will endure forever; nothing can be added to it and nothing taken from it. God does it so that men will revere him. Ecclesiastes 3:1*

Scripture reading for August 6: Nehemiah 2

### Message Notes:

Scripture: Nehemiah 1

Message: "Waiting on God's Lead" ~ Pastor Dean

*We need to be steadfast as we wait for God's sovereign leading!  
-vs. 1-3*

*We need to be steadfast as we pray for God's sovereign leading!  
-vs. 4-11*

**WELCOME TEAM:** (for both 8:30 a.m. & 11 a.m. services)

<u>Welcome Team</u>	<u>Date</u>
Rosalie Spaans/Judy Berkhof	July 30
Beth Walz/Vicky Graves	August 6 (9 a.m. service)\
Doug/Jeanine Bleeker	August 13
Dennis/Jane Butterfield	August 20

**FELLOWSHIP TIME:**

July 30: Jan Klinger  
August 6: Potluck - bring dish to share & a dessert - 9 a.m. service  
August 13: Judy Barnes  
August 20: Verla Vlieger

**BASIC INFORMATION:**

Attendance July 23: 172  
General offering received July 23: \$4,922.37  
Weekly offering needed: \$6,817.92

**SUNDAY NURSERY**

**NURSERY** for babies - 3 yr olds.

Today: 8:30 a.m. ~ Andy Mentele family

11:00 a.m. ~ Teri R. & Jessica P.

August 6: 9:00 a.m. ~ Schladweiler family

August 13: 8:30 a.m. ~ Emily A. & Kaitlyn A.

11:00 a.m. ~ Stevens family

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As I'm wrapping up another successful VBS, I'd like to say a HUGE thank you to everyone who volunteered their time to help either as a teacher, a guide, in the kitchen, in the nursery, running sound & projectors or at the registration table or any other place you might have helped. I'd also like to say thank you to everyone who brought food, craft supplies & game supplies. VBS is a BIG job but when we all work together, it seems easy. I feel so very blessed to have the opportunity to serve at 'First' and you'll never know how much it means to me to have so many wonderful people willing to help. I KNOW that we touched lives here at 'First' last week during VBS.

God bless you all, Mandy Stevens, children's ministry director

**PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE:**

**Pray for individuals & families dealing with serious health issues:**  
Scott Appletoft's sister, Lori, will have chemo & radiation for a year  
Steve Huber's aunt has been diagnosed with lung cancer  
Ryan, Shirley Baas' grandson, treatments going well  
Dale Houchin's cousin, Lynn, began second round of chemo  
Jared, Dana Hansen's brother, for strength & comfort  
Clarice Adema white counts are staying up now, pray that continues  
Jean Marie, Dan Moller's sister, maintenance chemo & monitoring  
Norma Larsen's daughter, Amy, continues chemo treatments  
Pat McCarty finished radiation & continues chemo - pray for continued shrinking of tumor & continued nourishment thru feeding tube  
Doug Doorn continues natural treatments for cancer at home

**Needing our prayers:**

\*Ron Beukelman is waiting for doctor to set his surgery  
\*Kurt & Rose Menning's daughter, Val, adjustment to new medication  
\*Marjorie Schryvers has moved to Firesteel Healthcare  
\*Bryan Doorn had same day surgery on Tuesday for a kidney stone  
\*Doreen Brands' mother, Kathy, will have open heart surgery on Aug. 2 in Sioux Falls  
\*Debbie Asmus' mother, Lori, has pneumonia & stomach issues - is home now but weak  
\*Loren Menning is recovering at home from surgery  
\*Bernie Barnes is at home - pray for his total health & well-being  
\*Jessica Severtson's brother, Justin, pray for regaining his sight  
\*Pray for the military and those fighting against the war on terrorism  
\*Pray for our president, his cabinet, our military, and leaders as they combat and discern actions against our enemies  
\*Pray for much needed rain and protection from storms this summer

**Mission/Outreach**

**Continent of the month:** Antarctica

**Mission of the week:** Mitchell Christian School

**Classis Church of the week:** Other Ministers of Classis(retired) - Arlin VandeZande, Jerry DeLoof, Emmo Oltmanns, Lee Andrews, Arvin Roos, Tom Zylstra, Harry TerMaat, Frank Boerema, Dave Rec, Mark Volkers, John DeGross, Frank Dobos, Wendell Brenneman

**Mitchell Church of the week:** Zion Lutheran ~ Thomas Brown & Daniel Grimmer

**FRC local mission of the week:** Meals on Wheels

**Persecuted Church of Christ:** Colombia

Kingdom Hands is scheduling a mission trip to Blue Earth, Mn., on October 12-14 to reside Aaron & Angie Evenson's house.

Please check your calendars if you would be able to participate in this 3 day work mission. More details to follow.

## JULY SUMMARY OF LEADERSHIP MINUTES

Constitutional inquiry was asked and all congregation members are welcome at the Lord's Table on August 6th.

M/S/C to approve the transfer of Nathan Punt to First Reformed in Sioux Falls.

Pastor Jeffrey will be the supervisor/moderator of First when Pastor Dean retires with Seth Sundstrom, Dakota Classis pastor, agreeing to assist as needed.

M/S/C to allow Habitat for Humanity to use a classroom on the 2nd Monday of each month.

Kingdom Hands plan on residing Aaron & Angie Evenson's house in Blue Earth on October 13-14.

M/S/C to approve church use for wedding of Riley Zomer & Katie Haiar on June 16, 2018.

Amount/Ending bank balance as of 6/30/2017:

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|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| A. General Fund                     | \$54,018.82           |
| B. Mission                          | \$ 3,805.77           |
| C. Benevolent                       | \$ 5,022.08           |
| D. Memorial Funds                   | \$ 1,653.63           |
| E. Capital Improvement (CD)-reserve | \$36,529.30 (2nd qt.) |
| F. General Savings-Reserve Fund     | \$18,161.62 (2nd qt.) |
| G. Youth                            | \$ 3,919.36           |
| I. Mission trip fund                | \$ 9,252.24           |
| J. Building fund at First National  | \$57,838.06           |
| * RCA Growth Fund                   | \$905,272.18          |
| * Demand Savings Acct.              | \$155,658.36          |

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**NOW is a good time to pick up items for the Operation Christmas Child boxes as all school supplies and needs are on sale for very good prices!**

**Items such as crayons, colored pencils, markers, pencil sharpeners, small notebooks, small balls, cars, toothbrushes, etc.**

**If you do buy anything for those boxes, you can drop them off at the church for our yearly Box Packing Party.**

## UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

Sunday, August 6th:

Groundbreaking for building addition

9 a.m. ~ Combined service with communion

10 a.m. ~ Groundbreaking ceremony

11 a.m. ~ Potluck lunch - bring dish to share & a dessert



**WE ARE  
BreakingGround!**

Thursday, the 10th:

12:00 noon: Saints & Seniors lunch

Thursday, the 10th & Friday, the 11th:

Global Leadership Summit at DWU Sherman Center

Still tickets available from the church for \$99, please call the office, Pastor Dean or Pastor Jeffrey if you would like to attend & get registered

Saturday, the 12th:

9 a.m. - 4 p.m. ~ Voice of the Martyrs conference at Community Reformed in Sioux Falls ~ no charge register at <https://www.vomadvice.com/>

### SEPTEMBER:

Sunday, the 3rd:

9:00 a.m. ~ Combined worship service.

Monday, the 4th:

**LABOR DAY**

Church office will be closed

Sunday, the 10th:

Sunday School classes & Children & Worship begin

Monday, the 11th - October 10th:

First Reformed will deliver Meals on Wheels

Sign up sheets are on the lobby table

Wednesday, the 13th:

Mid-week activities for K-5th grades and Jr. Hi. & Sr. Hi teens begin

Senior Choir practice begins

Bible studies resume meeting

### OCTOBER:

Thursday, the 13th & Friday, the 14th:

Kingdom Hands residing Aaron/Angie Evenson's house in Blue Earth, MN.