

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Pastor Chet Carlson

August 19, 2018

This is week 5 of the "Invitation of Jesus" sermon series.

8:30 a.m. Service

Call to Worship

*Greet One Another

*Hymn of Praise #506 "I Will Sing of My Redeemer"

Prayers of God's People Pastor Chet

Offering Our Gifts to God Andy Mentele, deacon

We will receive the General fund offering first this morning, followed by the Mission fund offering.

Sharing from the Global Leadership Summit

"If you're still excited about what you did 5 years ago, you're not growing"

Quote from John Maxwell from the Global Leadership Summit

Please sign the worship registry during offering time.

*Hymn #428 "I Need Thee Every Hour"

Scripture Matthew 6:25-34

Message "Invitation to Party Passionately" ~ Pastor Chet

*Benediction

*Parting Hymn #455 "Come, All Christians, Be Committed"

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## 11:00 a.m. Service

Call to Worship

Greet One Another

\*Praise Songs

Prayers of God's People

\*Praise Song

Scripture Matthew 6:25-34

Message "Invitation to Party Passionately" ~ Pastor Chet

\*Benediction

\*Praise Song

\*\*\*\*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)

## "The Invitation to Party Passionately"

Matthew 6:25-34

What does it mean to "seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness?"

1. You recognize that God gets to \_\_\_\_\_.

Idols in Israel The National Hopes of Israel

What are the idols in your life? \_\_\_\_\_

The Sermon on the Mount is revising Israel's agenda, and it should revise yours as well.

2. You recognize that when God sets the agenda, He is going to \_\_\_\_\_.

vs. 25, "is life not more than food"

vs. 30, "will he not much more clothe you"

vs. 32, "your heavenly Father knows that you need them"

You can worry or you can worship.

But you can't do both.

3. You recognize that God's agenda calls for you to \_\_\_\_\_.

The opposite of worry is not peace but the complete care-free joy that celebrates life and all the hope of heaven.

Jesus is inviting you to Party Passionately!

This is a part of what it means to Follow Yahweh Faithfully, Seeking First the Kingdom of God.

Who will you celebrate with this week \_\_\_\_\_?

and when will you celebrate this week \_\_\_\_\_?

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

| <u>Welcome Team</u>         | <u>Date</u>              |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| Judy Berkhof/Rosalie Spaans | August 19                |
| Beth Walz/Vicky Graves      | August 26                |
| Dennis/Jane Butterfield     | Sept. 2 (9 a.m. service) |
| Dale/Sharon Houchin         | Sept. 9                  |

**FELLOWSHIP TIME:**

August 19: Mavis Anderson  
August 26: Donna Appletoft  
Sept. 2: Judy VanderPol  
Sept. 9: Pork Feed after service

**BASIC INFORMATION:**

Attendance August 12: 199  
General offering received August 12: \$6,055.61  
Weekly offering needed: \$6,582.46

**NURSERY**

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

Today: 8:30 a.m. ~ Severtson family  
11:00 a.m. ~ Kyle & Vicky Graves  
August 26: 8:30 a.m. ~ Angie V. & Judy B.  
11:00 a.m. ~ Gloria F. & Teri R.  
Sept. 2: 9:00 a.m. ~ Mentele family

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It's early but let's get a head start on
Adopting a Christmas Food Basket Item.

In order to fill the food boxes to be distributed from the Salvation Army, First Reformed Church has volunteered to

PROVIDE 500 cans of vegetables (any kind - beans, corn, peas, etc.) & 100 bottles of juice. PLEASE remember those less fortunate with your generosity in helping provide a delicious meal for Christmas for them.



PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE:

Pray for individuals & families dealing with serious health issues:

Gary VanderPol	Gregg Hielema
Jean Marie, Dan Moller's sister	Jeff Hoffman
Clarice Adema	Jeannie Appletoft

Needing our prayers:

- *Brianna Schoenfelder as she deals with abdominal issues - Jeff & Amanda's young daughter
- *Gregg Hielema's liver tumor has grown, started on new chemo, lab tests on the 14th that his white blood count is extremely low
- *Brad Zomer had hip surgery Tuesday, August 14th, everything went well & now he needs patience as he recuperates at home
- *Clarice Adema was hospitalized last weekend and readmitted on Wednesday night this week
- *Jenna Doorn as she continues to fight infections
- *Kyle Graves had surgery on the 13th - pray for good results and quick recovery
- *Nancy Lubbers will have surgery on Aug. 20th for a device to control formation of blood clots as she can't take blood thinners
- *Pray for the military and those fighting against the war on terrorism
- *Pray for the president and administration and faithful leaders

Mission/Outreach

Continent of the month: South America

Mission of the week: Troy & Tammy Wolbrink ~ Florida ~ Global Services Network

Classis Church of the week: Students under care ~ Brent Eliason, Craig Peterson, Dustin Sperlich

Mitchell Church of the week: Wesleyan Church ~ Dan Zeibarth

FRC local mission of the week: Food Pantry

Persecuted Church of Christ: Colombia

Congratulations to Shirley Baas as she has another grandson, Jesse Paul, born on the 14th to Aaron & Jessica. All doing well.

The flowers on the communion table are in honor of Doug Bleeker's 80th birthday that he will celebrate on Aug. 22nd.

New address for Kim Karhoff:
1106 Denver Place SE
Orange City, IA 51041
kkarhoff@outlook.com



Hello, Women of FRC,
I (Janet Bleeker) have been involved in Bible Study Fellowship (BSF) for the past 2 years. We are fortunate to have a satellite class right here in Mitchell! BSF

has truly impacted my faith and understanding of God's Word. I am so excited about this that I just wanted to pass on a personal invitation to all of you who would be interested in joining me this year. It currently meets on Thursday morning at 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. We meet at Northridge Baptist because they have agreed to be a host church. Childcare is provided.

Here is a snapshot of what BSF is:

BSF is an in depth, interdenominational Bible class for people of all ages and backgrounds. God is using BSF to help people discover joy, freedom and satisfaction in their lives as they encounter God in the Bible. If you would like to know more about BSF or would be interested in registering for a class you can go to their website, bsfinternational.org. BSF is a free study. You may also contact me personally if you have questions or need more information. This year's study begins in Mitchell, Thursday, Sept. 13th. Please consider joining me and many other women from the area.

I would love, love, love to have you come! Janet Bleeker



As you probably have heard we are in the process of putting together a NEW church pictorial directory this fall. So please keep your eyes open for those announcements to be coming.

In the meantime, Mona needs updates for our printed church directory. That means address changes, phone # changes, email address updates, additions to your family, etc. If you could either put them in the worship registry or email them to mona@mitchelltelecom.net that would be great.

We will need all those updates for the pictorial directory also.

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES:

Sunday, the 26th:

4:00 p.m. ~ Pastor Chet's installation



Talk and Taste 2018-19

We would like to "revive" the former 'Talk and Taste'. This event allows for small groups to form and enjoy meals together over a year. All are welcome. Each group will consist of 7, 8 or 9 people (couples & singles). You don't need to sign up with another person. A supper/lunch for the group will be hosted in a home or the church fellowship hall once each quarter. The host provides the main course. The others bring salad, vegetable, and dessert.

THERE IS STILL TIME TO SIGN UP FOR TALK 'N TASTE - please sign up in the foyer. Karla Koons will arrange the groups and provide information. It is a great opportunity to fellowship with our members. And remember you can always invite guests to join your group. We will begin our first meetings during September - November.



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Food for the Food Pantry and Fun!

The mission committee is challenging the congregation to bring in 150 pieces of each of the following items: (for the food pantry)

cereal,
soup,
juice,
stuffing

by September 9, 2018.

If the congregation makes it happen, they will be rewarded by being able to whip cream the Elders, Deacons and Pastor Chet. Not only is this for a great charity but also it will be a great time.

Thanks for all that the FRC congregation does to support the Lord's people.



SUNDAY,
SEPTEMBER,
the 9th
10:00 A.M.

COMBINED SERVICE,
BUILDING/ORGAN DEDICATION
and
SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES intro



FAMILY

FREE FOOD

GAMES

FUN!

Request of Nominations for 2019

This notice is to inform you of the procedure we will use for the nominations of elders and deacons eligible to serve at First Reformed Church (FRC) for the three-year term of 2019 to 2021:

- Anyone desiring to be excluded from the nomination procedure because of a physical, emotional, or spiritual reasons may have their name placed on a "permanent list." These individuals may provide a written statement with their desired request. Once an individual has requested their name be placed on this permanent list, it will remain there until they request their name be removed. If you would like to know whether your name is on the permanent list, please call the church office. This request may be designated specifically for either the nomination of elder, deacon, or both. Please provide a written statement with your request to an elder before the next consistory meeting on **September 11, 2018.**

- If you have had your name placed on the permanent list and would like to become an active nominee again, please provide a written statement to an elder before the next consistory meeting on **September 11, 2018.**

- Anyone desiring to be excluded from the nomination procedure because of personal, professional, or spiritual reasons may request to have their name placed on the "excluded list" for the **nominations of 2019 only.** This request may be designated specifically for either the nomination of elder, deacon, or both. Please provide a written statement with your reason for exclusion to an elder for this year by the next consistory meeting on **September 11, 2018.**

- Anyone that is 21 years of age and is a professing member in good standing for more than two years in FRC will be eligible for nomination for deacon and an elder nomination is selected from males only.

The Consistory - 2018 (approved August 13, 2013)





There are sign up sheets on the lobby table for volunteers to teach Sunday School, Wednesday activities, Children and Worship, and help in the nursery.

Don't be shy or afraid that you can't do any of these things. "Nobody can do everything, but Everyone can do Something".

Sunday School and Children and Worship begin on Sept. 16th with Wednesday night activities (kids, youth, Bible studies & choir) beginning on Sept. 12th.



Hope Bible study will be studying "Putting Jesus First" from the Jesus Calling Bible Study Series by Sarah Young. In this study we will explore what it means to place Christ first in every part of your life – and rely on Him in the busy times, anxious times, uncertain times and lonely times. While this world offers many distractions and priorities for you to chase, the Bible is clear that peace and fulfillment only come as you put God's agenda first at all times. As Jesus promised, "Seek first [God's] kingdom...and all these things will be given to you as well" Matthew 6:33.

Hope Bible study meets every other Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. We will be having an organizational meeting on September 12th. Please contact Joann Moller at 680-4207 or e-mail djmoller@santel.net for more information or if you'd like to join us.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

SEPTEMBER:

Sunday, the 2nd:

9:00 a.m. ~ Combined worship service

Monday, the 3rd:

LABOR DAY

Church office will be closed

Sunday, the 9th:

10:00 a.m. ~ Combined service -

Building & organ dedication,

Sunday School intro (no classes)

with pork loin feed, outdoor games, fellowship and surprises following

Wednesday, the 12th:

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

Senior Choir practice begins

Bible studies resume meeting

Sunday, the 16th:

Sunday School classes & Children & Worship begin



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.

We will have a sign up sheet out shortly to sign up for specific items that you would like to supply.