

**Welcome to  
First Reformed Church**

Buffalo Center. Iowa

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**Jan 29, 2023**

**4th Sunday after Epiphany**

**9:30 AM**

Prelude

Carole Kettwick

Welcome and Announcements

Promise: Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth. **Amen.**

Sentences: Psalm 95:6-7 O come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker! For He is our God, and we are the people of His pasture, and the sheep of His hand.

Salutation: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

**Hymn of Invitation# 71**

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

Prayer of Confession

**Holy Father, we acknowledge and confess before you our sinful nature, our shortcomings and offenses; and slow to do good. You alone know how often we have wandered from your ways; in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love.**

(silence)

Lord have mercy upon us.

**In your mercy forgive us. Help us to live in your light and walk in your ways.**

**In Jesus name we pray. Amen.**

Words of Assurance

Guidelines for Living- **Ten Commandments** – Gloria Patri

Riding Light Ministry presentation

Judy Wiedemeier

Children’s Time

Prayer of Illumination

OT Lesson: Micah 6:1-8 (pg. 850) NT Lesson: 1Corinthians 1:20-31 (pg. 1038)

**Hymn # 666**

“Blest Are They” vs. 1-3

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 5:1-12 (pg. 880)

**Sermon Blessed are you**

The Peace: The Peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

Offering and Doxology

Pastoral Prayer, Lord’s Prayer

**Hymn # 457**

“Lord, I Want to Be a Christian”

Benediction

**Closing Hymn # 717**

“Go Now in Peace”

**Welcome to First Reformed Church! Thank you to Judy Wiedemeier for coming today and giving an update on Riding Light Ministry.**

**Prayer list: Arlene Risius, Mike Kettwick,** Keith Finer, Paul Steffensen

Please contact the office if you would like your name on or off the prayer list.

(641-562-2317) **Continue to uphold others in care centers:** MaryAnn

Voortman, Evelyn Winter, Vi Krull, Arlo Heyer. and Don Johnson.

**Bulletin Cover** - January is being sponsored by Josh and Dallas Murra

**Attendance last week** – 81 **Offering** - 2549.23

**Worship Broadcast** today is live on KIOW radio 107.3 and streamed on WCTA cable channel 2 and is given by a radio listener. If you would like to sponsor a radio broadcast please call Linda at 641-562-2731.

**Happy Birthday wishes this week to - Joey Murra today**

Monday – Mara Walstead – Tristian Boehm

Thursday – Hunter Meinders

Saturday – Halie Haugen – Tara Ortman Rogers

**Choir Practice** will start again today at 11 am or when Carole rings the bell. Join in the great time this choir is having as they bring us wonderful music!

Sunday February 12 we will celebrate the Lord’s Day with **Communion.**

After worship Feb 12 we will have a the **“Souper Bowl”** lunch. There is a sign up sheet in the narthex for bringing donations.

There is a box at Main Street Market for **Valentines** to be delivered to the residents at TMNH. There are 29 residents at this time. They really like to get this type of mail.

**Thank you** again to Clarice Mayland and her helpers for the wonderful meal last Sunday after the Annual Meeting. A free will offering of \$400 was received for the Improvement Fund before expenses.

Please read the February calendar on the back page for all events taking place here at First Reformed. February is a busy month.

### **February Calendar**

February 1 Wednesday RCWM meets at 7 PM

February 5 Sunday Young Adults Meeting at 5 pm

February 8 Wednesday Men's Prayer Breakfast

February 12 Sarah Circle will again be serving a soup lunch! It's "Souper Bowl"

February 16 Thursday Shared Table at noon

February 19 TMNH worship at 1:30 pm

February 20 Sarah Circle at 9 am and 1G Meal at 3:30 pm

February 22 Consistory will meet at 7 pm

### **February Greeters**

Feb 5 Mike and Carole Kettwick

Feb 12 Jason and Rachelle Gruis

Feb 19 Dave and Ruth Ann Milbrandt

Feb 26 Don and Linda Gruis

### **February Flowers**

Josh and Dallas Murra

Doug and Barb Murra

### **February Ushers**

Mike Kettwick

Dave Milbrandt

### **The Food Pantry is in need of these items:**

**cereal, can fruit, can veggies, can soups**

**applesauce cups**

Please remember our Winter Cancellation Policy! If the North Iowa School cancels all church activity will also cancel. Check with KBEW or KIOU radio stations if worship needs to be canceled,