Welcome to First Reformed Church Buffalo Center
Pastor Sue Shike 641-251-2255

Nov 8, 2026 **9:30 AM**

Prelude Carole Kettwick
Welcome and Announcements
Prayer of Invocation
Call to worship
L: Let all who seek you rejoice and be glad in You.
P: Let those who love Your salvation say evermore, "God is great!"
L: But I am poor and needy; hasten to me, O God!
P: You are my help and my deliverer; God is great! Praise His holy name!
Sharing the Peace of Christ

Hymn of Invitation: # 722 **"**Praise and Thanksgiving"

Confession
Merciful God, in Your presence we confess our sinfulness and our shortcomings. We have wandered from Your ways, in wasting Your gifts, in forgetting Your love. Forgive our sins and help us to live in Your light and walk in Your ways, in Jesus' name, amen.
Assurance of pardon- Guidelines for Living- Gloria Patri

Anthem Amazing Grace Chancel Choir

Children's message
Prayer of Illumination

Scripture: Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-18 p 213 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 p 1077
Gospel Lesson: Matthew 25:1-13 pg. 903

Sermon: Do I know you?
Prayer, Lord's Prayer

**** Children pre K – 5th go to Sunday School Classes ****

Hymn of Action: # 405 "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"
Offering and Doxology
Hymn: # 560 "I Love to Tell the Story"
Benediction
Closing Hymn: # 465 "Lord, Be Glorified"

We are GLAD you are here today!

Prayer list: Shelley Volz, Mark Beenken, Brian Bashan, Linda Abels, Darlene Block. Remember those in care centers: Evelyn Winter, and Vi Krull,

Attendance last week: 71 Offering $4983.48

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Worship Broadcast today is live on KIOW radio 107.3 and streamed on WCTA cable channel 2 and is given by a radio listener.

Chancel Choir is at 11:15 in the sanctuary. Everyone is welcome! If you enjoy singing, please join us!

Birthdays that were missed last week: Eric Krull and Kayleigh Giesking. Anniversary's missed were Doug and Barb Murra, Al and Judy Boeckholt, Don and Linda Gruis

This week birthdays: Buxton Ortman and Sawyer Matson on Wednesday. Beth Hallberg, Holly Beenken and Rob Schmitt on Thursday. Jason Gruis on Friday.

Happy Anniversary to Randy and Connie Swalve this week

Esther Circle will meet tomorrow Nev 9 at 9 AM

Operation Christmas Child shoe boxes is Saturday November 14 at 4 PM. A potluck soup supper to follow. There is a container in the narthex to collect donations Please bring your items by Saturday November 14th Money for the shipping of those boxes is also needed.

Next Sunday the Ramsey Women's Lunch will be serving soups and pies at for a free will offering. See the flyer on the narthex bulletin board.

Noisy Offering Buckets will be out the Sundays in November to support the Angel Tree gifts at Christmas.

Thanksgiving Eve Service will be held here at First Reformed November 25 at 7 PM. Refreshments will be served after.

The **Consistory** would like to move forward in putting together a search committee for Pastor Sue's replacement when she is ready to retire. Please talk to a Consistory member is you are interested in helping as the first meeting is being planned.

God is moving in the earth. We are called to follow. The best way to do so is in community together. As confessing members following Christ, we grow, support and encourage one another in the life and mission of our congregation. We invite you to join in Active Membership by Profession of Faith, Reaffirmation, or Letter of Transfer. We have 2 who will be joining soon and invite you to come along with these people. Talk to Pastor Sue!

The end of 2026 is coming soon and there is a financial need to finish insurance and assessment payments. Thank you!

2026 Bible reading plan
11/08: Jeremiah 6-8
11/09: Jeremiah 9-11
11/10: Jeremiah 12-15
11/11: Jeremiah 16-18
11/12: Jeremiah 19-22
11/13: Jeremiah 23-25
11/14: Jeremiah 26-29