

## Welcome to First Reformed Church Buffalo Center

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**July 26, 2026**

**9:30 AM**

Prelude

Worship in the park for Bison Days

Welcome and Announcements

**Previously recorded service**

Prayer of Invocation

### Call to worship

L: Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, O my soul!

**P: I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God all my life long.**

L: Do not put your trust in princes, in mortals, in whom there is no help.

**P: Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord their God, who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them; who keeps faith forever;**

L: The Lord will reign forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations.

**P: Praise the Lord!**

Sharing the Peace

### Hymn of Invitation # 123

“Fairest Lord Jesus”

Prayer of Confession

**Heavenly Father, teach me to love Your Word and hear Your voice. In my strength, I am frail and limited. But in Your strength, I am more than a conqueror. Help me obey You, walk uprightly before You, and complete the course for which I was created. In Jesus’ name, amen.**

Assurance of pardon - Gloria Patri

**Anthem In Christ Alone** Kristin Getty, Alison Krauss music video

Prayer of Illumination

OT Lesson: Isaiah 51:1-6 pg. 667

NT Lesson: Romans 12:1-8 pg. 1033

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 16:13-20

pg. 893

### Sermon Who do you say that I am?

Offering and Doxology

### Hymn of Action # 405

“My Hope is Built on Nothing Less”

Prayer, Lord’s Prayer

### Hymn # 465

“Lord, Be Glorified”

Benediction

### Closing Hymn # 716

“God Be with You” vs. 1

## Welcome and God Bless!

**Prayer list:** Elaine Boehm, Shelley Volz, Brian Bashan, Linda Abels, Darlene Block, Continue to uphold others in care centers: Evelyn Winter, and Vi Krull,

**Bulletin Cover** - July is sponsored in honor of Marilyn Balvance’s birthday by her children Julie and Dean

**Attendance last week – 45    Offering last week – \$690.00**

**Worship Broadcast** today is live on KIOU radio 107.3 and streamed on WCTA cable channel 2 and is given by a radio listener. If you would like sponsor a radio broadcast all Linda 641-590-3872.

**Happy birthday this week to Linda Gruis today**

**Tim Berschman on Thursday**

**Brian Vander Wilt on Friday**

**Robin Kettwick and Shelley Volz on Saturday**

**VBS begins Aug. 3<sup>rd</sup>** Please commit to help 1 morning- you will enjoy it! Please sign up in the vestibule. Teaching roles are covered, just needing extra hands to help.

**Pray for our Teachers and staff at North Iowa.** Envelopes are in the vestibule to sign, and pray for that specific person throughout the school year. Prayer is powerful and makes a difference. Please help by participating in this community outreach project. Thank you.

August 14 First Reformed will host the **Teachers Luncheon.**

**Collecting School supplies** to be available at the Teacher's Luncheon, It is earlier this year, so needed supplies are being collected now and left in the vestibule. Thanks for your continued support.

### **2026 Bible reading plan**

7/26: Ruth 1-4

7/27: 1 Samuel 1-3

7/28: 1 Samuel 4-6

7/29: 1 Samuel 7-9

7/30: 1 Samuel 10-12

7/31: 1 Samuel 13-14

8/01: 1 Samuel 15-16