

**Welcome to First Reformed Church Buffalo Center**

**Pastor Sue Shike**

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**March 29, 2026**

**9:30 AM**

Prelude

Carole Kettwick

Welcome and announcements

Invocation

**Processional Anthem**      *Hosanna*      **Sunday School Choir**

**Call to worship**

L: The Lord is my strength and my might; He has become my salvation.

**P: Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.**

L: I thank You that You have answered me and have become my salvation.

**P: Save us, we beseech You, O Lord! O Lord, we beseech You, give us success!**

L: The Lord is God, and He has given us light. Bind the festal procession with branches, up to the horns of the altar.

**P: O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good, for His steadfast love endures forever.**

Sharing the Peace of Christ

**Gospel Reading: Matthew 21:1-11**

**Hymn of Invitation # 267**

“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

**Prayer of Confession**

**Heavenly Father, thank You for coming to rescue me. Thank You that You have set my feet on a path that honors You. Keep my course steady, Lord, with my eyes fixed on Jesus. In His name**

**I pray, amen.**

Gloria Patri

**Anthem**      **In the Shadow of the Palms**      **Chancel Choir**

Children’s message

Prayer of Illumination

**Scripture:** Philippians 2:5-11 *pg. 1069*

**Gospel Lesson:** Matthew 26:1-2, 18, 20-22, 26-28, 30-32 *pg. 905*

**Sermon: Forging the new covenant**

Offering and Doxology

**Hymn # 257**      “What Wondrous Love Is This” vs. 1-3

Prayer, Lord’s Prayer

**Hymn of Action # 284**      “O Sacred Head, Now Wounded”

Benediction

**Closing Hymn # 270**      “O How He Loves You and Me”

**May God Bless you this Palm Sunday!**

**Prayer list:** Doug DeBoer. Continue to uphold others in care centers: Elaine Boehm, Evelyn Winter, Vi Krull, and Arlo Heyer.

**Worship Broadcast** today is live on KIOW radio 107.3 and streamed on WCTA cable channel 2 and is given in loving memory of Les Wubben by Bonnie, Fritz, Jodi and family If you would like to sponsor a radio broadcast please call Linda 641-590-3872.

**Bulletin Cover** - March is sponsored by Gene and Marilyn Brass

**Attendance last week – 75 Offering last week – \$1504.00**

**Confirmation Class meets on Wednesdays at 6 PM**

**Holy Week readings and services**

Monday Matthew 21:12-46

Tuesday Matthew 22-23

Wednesday Matthew 24-25

Thursday Matthew 26

Friday Matthew 27

**We invite you to participate in these daily readings, along with the 7:00pm services for Maundy Thursday @ Bethlehem Lutheran and Good Friday @ First Congregational Church**

**Happy Birthday to Leigha Gruis today and to Dave Milbrandt on Friday**

**Happy Anniversary to Andy and Alicea Porter on Tuesday and to Brad and Laine Matson on Saturday**

**Consistory changed their meeting to this week Wednesday at 7 PM**

**RCWM will also meet this Wednesday at 7 PM**

**Thank you to the members of the Fraud Team from FTSB.**

Their presentation on bank fraud was very informative.

We appreciated it very much.

The Main Street Market **Card Box** is available again for cards to be taken to TMNH. There are 37 residents.

**April Flower Committee:** Jim and Shelley Volz  
Stan and Marilee Siemens

**April Greeters:**

March 29 Kerry and Peg Mastin

April 5 Brian and Amy VanderWilt

April 12 Betty Davids

April 19 Mitch and Amanda Giesking

April 26 Ken and Kathe Kiewiet Risius

**2026 Bible reading plan**

3/29 Ps. 139; Galatians 1-3

3/30 Ps. 140; Galatians 4-6

3/31 Ps. 141; Ephesians 1-3

4/01 Ps. 142; Ephesians 4-6

4/02 Ps. 143; Philippians 1-4

4/03 Ps. 144; Col. 1-3

4/04 Ps. 145; Col. 4; 1 Thess. 1-4