

Following
 *Jesus*
together in mission
as His *love* 
transforms
lives for God's glory

REFORMED *First* **CHURCH**
with a
VISION *for* *Cultural Influence*
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Worship Service
9:30am

FIRST REFORMED CHURCH

April 5, 2026

Easter Sunday Worship Service – 9:30am

PRELUDE

"Living Hope"

WELCOME

"Christ the Lord is Risen Today" (Hymn #367)

"Christ Arose" (Hymn #357)

Because He Lives" (Hymn #358)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: *Lord Jesus, today we celebrate Your power over sin and death, and we thank You for the gift of new and eternal life. Your victory on Easter changes everything. But we confess that we have not allowed Your life-giving presence to change us where we need to be changed. We let the sins of our past and the stress of the present defeat us, instead of living in the hope of Your victory. Forgive us, and help us to live as people who are changed by Your love and grace. Amen.*

WORDS OF ASSURANCE: Matthew 28:5-6

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

"I Will Rise"

SERMON:

"Cross Over from Death to Life"

Pastor Brad
John 20:31; John 5:24-25

OFFERING

"Christ Our Hope in Life and Death"

BENEDICTION



CHRIST IS RISEN — HE IS RISEN INDEED! We greet those who are visiting with us today in the name of our risen Savior! We are gathered as a community of Christians and our center is Jesus Christ. Join us as we receive the touch of his forgiving and healing hand!

THIS WEEK

TODAY

9:30am Worship

TUESDAY

1pm Dorcas Society

7pm Elders

WEDNESDAY

6:30pm CrossCenter

THURSDAY

6:15pm Women's Bible Study

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS!

Join us for a 6-week journey through Psalm 23!



This Psalm assures us we are totally surrounded by God and that anything that comes against us will not prevail against our God!

This Sunday School class will be led by Aaron Lund and will meet every Sunday starting April 12.

GETTING TO KNOW FIRST REFORMED

GETTING
TO KNOW

April 12, 10:45am

Learn more about what it means to become a member of First Reformed Church during this 4-week class which meets in Pastor Brad's office on Sunday mornings at 10:45 am starting April 12.



Fix It Day

We are having a **FIX UP DAY** on April 25th from 8am to 12pm with lunch to follow.

There is a sign sheet on back table. Any questions please talk to Kevin Lammers or Corey Kappers.

COMMUNITY

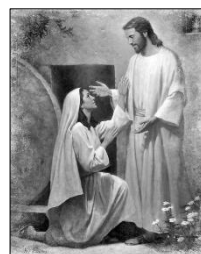
GOOD NEWS BANQUET

Tues., April 21, 6pm at Blue Harbor. Celebrate how God is at work through Good News Global, and support Chaplain Jim and the ministry here in Sheboygan County. To register, go to ngglobal.org/event/sheboygan-banquet, or scan the QR code on the bulletin board by the front entry.

In the early years of the U.S. space program, a small but powerful rocket was supported by a metal framework. This “escape tower” was bolted to the capsule in which astronauts awaited takeoff. If disaster occurred, the escape tower was to carry the capsule up and away from the main rocket. A parachute would then float the astronauts safely to earth.

“Peace”
BE WITH YOU!

Jesus’ resurrection is more than a great escape. If he had merely eluded death, that would be akin to resuscitation. By God’s power, Jesus didn’t merely survive death but conquered it, once and for all. On Easter, Jesus returns to life not for his own sake but for the sake of all humanity. He reassures the disciples — and us — “Peace be with you.”



How Jesus Says Your Name

It’s been said that when someone loves you, they say your name differently. Your name is “safe” coming from their mouth.

Mary Magdalene found this to be true. Walking alone in the dark to Jesus’ tomb, she wanted nothing less than for a concerned loved one to interrupt her private grief, crooning her name in pity: “Oh, Mary, there, there.” Or worse, someone from her old life who would spit her name like a curse, not knowing that Jesus had cast out her demons. But then Mary saw the tomb open and panicked, ran to get Simon, hurried back to the garden. Angels addressed her — not by name, just “Woman ...” — and then a gardener: “Woman ...”

Except then — “Mary” — this man knew her after all, speaking her name so knowingly, tenderly, lovingly that she recognized him. “Mary.” Her name was safe in his mouth, her life safe in his care. He wasn’t the gardener. He was her teacher, her friend, her Savior.

Friend, your name also is safe in Jesus’ mouth, your life safe in his care, for he loves you deeply.

PRAISE & PRAYER

To add a request to the page for yourself, or for a family member or friend, simply contact the church office by phone, or by email, or by leaving a note. In addition to prayer requests, we would also like to list opportunities to praise God for His goodness in our lives.

- Jim TenPas is receiving radiation treatments
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MISSION
of the
WEEK

♥ Pine Haven
CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES
Celebrating 75 Years

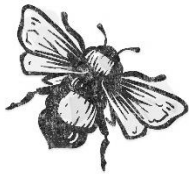
PINE HAVEN CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES

Founded in 1950, Pine Haven is Sheboygan County's leader in providing quality, Christ-centered care to the aging population for over 60 years.

Since opening in 1950, they have expanded from their original 12-room nursing home on one campus to five campuses, providing a range of flexible, innovative services and living options to more than 250 seniors at varying levels of care.

LOCATIONS:

Giddings Avenue Campus, 531 Giddings Avenue, Sheboygan Falls
Haven Drive Campus, 220 Haven Drive, Sheboygan Falls
Prairie Crossing, 1280 Pine Haven Lane, Sheboygan Falls
Oostburg Campus, 701 Pine Drive, Oostburg
Oostburg Duplexes, 421-523 N 12th st. and 636-670 Pine Dr., Oostburg



NO MORE STING

One spring day, a father and son were driving when a bee flew in the window and buzzed around. Because the boy was deathly allergic to bee stings, he panicked. But the calm father reached out and caught the bee in his hand, holding it tight.

After a few moments, the dad reached over, opened his hand and showed his son the stinger, stuck in his palm. "It's okay," the father said. "I took the sting, so the bee can't hurt you."

Likewise, people who know Jesus as their victorious Savior no longer need to fear the sting of death. "O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?" (1 Corinthians 15:55, ESV).

Cross Over from Death to Life

4-5-26

John 20:31, John 5:24-25

Series: *Fish for Lent – Ichthus*

3/1 I – Jesus

3/8 CH – Christ

3/22 TH – God

3/29 U – Son

Today S – Savior

"Whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life and will not be condemned; he has crossed over from death to life."

- John 5:24

If you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

- Romans 10:9

What does it mean for Jesus to be our savior:

1. Jesus c_____ the b_____.

Cross Over

2. Jesus c_____ death and b_____ life.

*From
Death*

3. Jesus c_____ us to b_____.

To Life

"Easter is the proof that evil men never have the last word about the things of God."

~ C. Neil Strait



OUR VISION

Following Jesus together in mission as His love transforms lives for God's glory.

OUR MISSION

At First Reformed Church of Sheboygan Falls, through the leading of the Lord, we seek to:

Live with Jesus, seeking the greatness of God through worship, the Bible, and prayer, in unity with the Lord and with each other.

Live like Jesus, seeking to glorify God and fulfill His kingdom mission of transformation in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Live for Jesus, seeking to share the good news of the gospel and make disciples of all nations.

		MINISTERING TODAY April 5 - Easter	NEXT WEEK April 12
USHERS		Travis Steffen Dave Stoffregen	Travis Steffen Dave Stoffregen
GREETERS		Dale & Beth Wingert	Rick & Ronda Arthur
CAMERA		McClaren Teunissen	Dan Otte
SOUND		Sheila Teunissen	Corey Kappers
COMPUTER		Abby Kappers	Ben Cleveland
CHILDREN'S SERMON		xxxx	Kathy Felton
GREET/ASSIST PEOPLE	<i>After Service</i>	Ning Zhang	Mark Kappers
SECURITY		Kevin Lammers	Ben Cleveland

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