

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

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

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Oct. 4, 2026

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PRELUDE

WELCOME

"How Great Is the Greatness of God"

"How Great Thou Art" (Hymn #147)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: *Holy and loving God, as we prepare to come to Your table today, we confess how quickly we forget Your Word and Your ways. Forgive us for going back to old patterns of living when you offer us a new promise of abundant life if we will trust in You and follow You. Help us to leave the guilt of our past behind, that we might live in Your grace in the present, and look forward to a future filled with joy in Your presence. Amen.*

WORDS OF ASSURANCE: John 5:24

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

"The Lord's Prayer (It's Yours)"

SERMON

"Give and Take"

Pastor Brad
Ephesians 6:17-18

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

OFFERING

"Jesus Messiah"

BENEDICTION



Jesus urges us to pray always and not lose heart (Luke 18:1). So we gather today for prayer, and also to give God praise and thanksgiving. Welcome!

THIS WEEK

TODAY

9:30am Sunday Worship

10:45am Sunday School

MONDAY

6:30pm Men's Bible Study

TUESDAY

7pm Elders

WEDNESDAY

1:30pm Living Bible Study

6:30pm CrossCenter

THURSDAY

2:30pm Women's Bible Study

6:15pm Women's Bible Study

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONSISTORY NOMINATION FORMS

have been sent out via email. An elder will also have nominating forms available after worship services over the next few weeks. Nomination forms can be placed in the designated box on the foyer table or returned by email. Forms are due TODAY. We will be electing two deacons and three elders - two elders for three-year terms, and one for a two-year term (to complete the term of Dick Huibregtse's additional year serving as elder).

NEW MEN'S BIBLE STUDY Men, where are you most comfortable? If you're like me it's in my garage. I love spending time with other men in the garage. And I know I'm not alone. We have a new men's Bible study specifically for guys like us, and of course all are invited. In fact, we encourage you to invite others (even if you don't necessarily consider yourself a garage guy)!

When: We will meet the first and third Monday of each month starting TOMORROW!

Where: Our first meeting will be in Dale Wingert's garage

Time: 6:30pm

We will begin our time together using the study guide "The Man Who Makes a Difference" (7 Bible Studies in Ephesians for Men).

See Aaron Lund, Dale Wingert, or Jeff Van Wyk with any questions.

COMMUNITY

ANCHOR OF HOPE BANQUET

Thur., Oct. 8 at The Village at 170

Two options: Luncheon from 11:30-1pm or Dinner from 6-8pm.

To register, scan the QR code on the flyer on the bulletin board in the entry, or call 920-452-4673 and ask for LeeAnn.

LOVE INC LIVING OUT LOVE EVENT

Sat., Oct. 17, 5:30-8:30pm at Pine Hills

Please join us for the annual Living Out Love dinner, auction and ministry celebration! This year's theme, "A Seat at the Table," reflects a simple but powerful truth: every person deserves a place at the table, a place to be seen, heard, valued and encouraged. And each of us can play a part in building hope. The evening includes a delicious grand buffet, raffles and auctions, and a program that highlights the stories of our neighbors and volunteers.

HYMN HISTORY

"How Great Thou Art"

This hymn is based on a Swedish traditional melody and a poem written by Carl Boberg (1859–1940) in Mönsterås, Sweden, in 1885. It was popularized by George Beverly Shea and Cliff Barrows during the Billy Graham crusades.

The inspiration for the poem came when Boberg was walking home from church near Kronobäck, Sweden, and listening to church bells. A sudden storm got Boberg's attention, and then just as suddenly as it had made its appearance, it subsided to a peaceful calm.

The author, Carl Boberg himself gave the following information about the inspiration behind his poem:

"It was that time of year when everything seemed to be in its richest coloring; the birds were singing in trees and everywhere. It was very warm; a thunderstorm appeared on the horizon and soon there was thunder and lightning. We had to hurry to shelter. But the storm was soon over and the clear sky appeared. When I came home I opened my window toward the sea. There evidently had been a funeral and the bells were playing the tune of "When eternity's clock calls my saved soul to its Sabbath rest". That evening, I wrote the song."

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.

"Praise Him, praise Him, praise him in the morning, praise him in the noontime. Praise him, praise him, praise him when the sun goes down."



MISSION
of the
WEEK



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INTERNATIONAL

CAROLEE GRAF ABWE

Carolee Graf serves in Brazil as part of ABWE, which is Association of Baptists for World Evangelism - ABWE is an unaffiliated, independent Baptist missions agency providing like-minded churches with vital services to expedite their Great Commission Ministry.

She is involved with prenatal, youth, and ladies group ministries. She provides encouragement to prenatal staff, conducts one-on-one counseling with youth, and serves in ladies outreach ministries.

ABWE's vision is to fulfill the Great Commission by multiplying leaders, churches, and missions movements among every people.

"Every day we strive to share Christ through bold, biblical, relational evangelism and by planting thriving churches. But we don't just want to send missionaries. We want to spark global missions movements that extend beyond ourselves—where local leaders are trained, mission-minded churches are planted, and believers are compelled to carry the message of Jesus to every nation."

When Troubles Come

Have you noticed that things often seem to fall apart all at once? It could be a string of financial setbacks. First the refrigerator goes out, then the car won't start and then the roof starts leaking. Or maybe our relationships break down or our career unravels.

What can we do when hardships threaten to overwhelm us? Peanuts character Charlie Brown said, "I only dread one day at a time." But we can do better than that.

We can take a deep breath, cling to God's hand and keep walking, knowing that our heavenly Father is always with us.



Give and Take

10-4-26

Ephesians 6:17-18

Series: *The Armor of God*

8/30 Belt of Truth

9/20 Shield of Faith

9/6 Breastplate of Righteousness

9/27 Helmet of Salvation

9/13 Footwear of the Gospel of Peace Today Sword of the Spirit and Prayer

Take the ... sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests.

- Ephesians 6:17-18

"(We) will give our attention to prayer and the ministry of the word."

- Acts 6:4

Take your stand against Satan with what the Spirit of God gives:

1. An *Explanation* of Why We P_____ the _____

2. The *Equipment* to P_____ with the _____

3. The *Effectiveness* of What Is P_____ in _____

On All _____

With All _____

At All _____

For All the _____



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 Oct. 4	NEXT WEEK Oct. 11
USHERS		Doug Fabian Steve Wilterdink	Doug Fabian Steve Wilterdink
GREETERS		Dave & Jackie Stoffregen	Brad & Shannon Veenendaal
CAMERA		Ethan Teunissen	Joe Fabian
SOUND		Sheila Teunissen	Doug Fabian
COMPUTER		Stephanie Veenendaal	Jared Veenendaal
GREET/ASSIST PEOPLE	<i>After Service</i>	Mark Kappers	Ning Zhang
CHILDREN'S SERMON		xxx	Kathy Felton

OUR STAFF

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