

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

FIRST REFORMED CHURCH

Aug. 30, 2026

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PRELUDE

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

WELCOME

*"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" (Hymn #151)
"Before the Throne of God Above"*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: *Holy and merciful God, open our eyes to see where we have strayed from following You. Open our ears to hear Your truth, so that we would recognize our sin and receive Your forgiveness. Help us to see that, when we take the focus off of ourselves, then the picture of who You are, and who You want us to be, becomes more clear. Help us to fix our eyes on Jesus; and help us to live in such a way that Jesus can be seen in us. Amen.*

WORDS OF ASSURANCE: Psalm 130:3-4,7

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

"Speak, O Lord"

SERMON

"The Battle Belongs to the Lord"

Pastor Brad
Ephesians 6:10-14

OFFERING

"The Stand"

BENEDICTION



"O taste and see that the LORD is good; happy are those who take refuge in him" (Psalm 34:8, NRSV). Welcome to worship, where the Lord feeds us with his Word and shelters us in his love!

THIS WEEK

TODAY

9:30am Sunday Worship

TUESDAY

1pm Dorcas Society

7pm Elders Meeting

WEDNESDAY

1:30pm Living Bible Study

THURSDAY

6:30pm Prayer Gathering

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The **DORCAS SOCIETY** will again meet the first Tuesday of each month from 1-3pm starting Sept.1. Please consider joining us to help put together quilts as our group is getting small. Sewing skills are not required but helpful. Any scrap fabric donations of 1/2 yd or larger are greatly appreciated. Any questions contact Pat Boge. Thank you!



PRAYER GATHERING

Thur., Sept. 3, 6:30 pm

Join us for one of our "First Thursday" prayer gatherings at the start of the school year (1st Thur. in Sept.), the start of the new year (1st Thur. in Jan.), and the National Day of Prayer (1st Thur. in May).

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

"Your Story Has a Villain"

Sun., Sept. 13, 10:45am

Join us for a special 5-week study focusing on spiritual warfare and the armor of God.

The **SHEPHERD'S CLOSET** is currently

well-stocked and ready to help those in need. While most of the individuals we assist are referred to us through Love, INC, our current abundance allows us to open our doors even wider to support others in the community. We have clothing for men and women sized newborn to adult.



Do you have a neighbor or family member who is facing a health struggle, a job search, or simply needing help making

ends meet? Many of us do. If they could benefit from receiving free clothing for themselves or their family, please reach out to them to show your support and care

Ask them to email

mslammers22@gmail.com with their name and a few options for times they are available to meet. We will arrange a time for them to shop for items at the Shepherd's Closet, which is located in the Lighthouse building on the church grounds.

If you have any questions, feel free to speak with me, Margie Lammers, in person, call me at 920.918.2665, or email mslammers22@gmail.com.

YOUTH

ATTENTION ALL STUDENTS AND PARENTS!

It's hard to believe we are just a couple weeks away from the start of the upcoming Wednesday night youth season, and I'm not sure anyone is truly ready for summer to be over or school to start... well maybe parents are ready!

Wednesday, Sept. 16 we will kick off our year with a night of food, fellowship, and a meeting with parents. All students and parents grades 1-12 are invited to enjoy some fellowship over dinner along with a meeting with parents. We will discuss the upcoming year, communicate important info to students and parents, and fill out necessary forms for the season - so it is important for parents to attend if possible. We will meet in the Family Life Center at 6:30pm.

FALL FEST

Oct. 2-4 at Lake Lundgren

Fall retreat weekend for middle school and high school students.

Information and registration forms will soon be available on the foyer table and on the church website under the Youth Tab. Deadline for registration is Wed., Sept. 23. Invite your friends to join us for an awesome weekend!

COMMUNITY

Mark Your Calendars... You are invited to a **HYMN SING** held on Sunday, Sept. 13 at First Presbyterian Church 118 South 8th Street, Oostburg. Please arrive by 5:45pm to get a seat and to enjoy the prelude by pianist and evening accompanist, Jana Middlesworth. We will sing beloved and beautiful hymns. The one-hour program is organized by Laura and Mary Rammer. We look forward to an evening of song!



Join Love INC of Sheboygan County for the **COST OF POVERTY EXPERIENCE** (COPE)—a fast-paced, hands-on experience designed to help us better understand the realities of poverty and consider how we can serve our neighbors with greater wisdom, compassion, and effectiveness.

Through local data, an interactive simulation, and guided discussion, COPE will challenge us to see poverty differently and strengthen the way we engage with individuals and families. We invite you to register today.

Saturday, September 26 | 9:30am–12:30pm
First Christian Reformed Church, Oostburg

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.



"I will extol the Lord at all times; his praise will always be on my lips."

— Psalms 34:1

MISSION
of the
WEEK



GOOD NEWS JAIL & PRISON MINISTRY

Founded in 1961, Good News Jail & Prison Ministry is a Christian outreach that provides chaplains, volunteers, counseling, and educational programs to jails and prisons in 21 US states and 21 countries or territories worldwide. Good News believes that each one of the 9.6 million (2.3 million US) people incarcerated in the world today represents a broken life and a family in pain. Yet they also embody amazing opportunities for hope, healing, hearts to be made whole, and lives to be given to Christ. When this happens, the transformational changes that result are carried forward exponentially and experienced eternally.

The Battle Belongs to the Lord

8-30-26

Ephesians 6:10-14

Series: *The Armor of God*

Today Belt of Truth

Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist ...

- Ephesians 6:14a

This is what the Lord says to you: Do not be afraid or discouraged because of this vast army. For the battle is not yours, but God's.

- 2 Chronicles 20:15

Brace for the battle with the belt:

1. B_____ for the D_____

Know the Enemy

2. B_____ the D_____

Know the Engagement

3. Use the B_____ to D_____

Know the Equipment

Against D_____

“God creates out of nothing. Wonderful you say. Yes, to be sure, but he does what is still more wonderful: he makes saints out of sinners.”

— Soren Kierkegaard



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 Aug. 30	NEXT WEEK Sept. 6
USHERS		Kevin Lammers Dale Wingert	Mark Kappers Mike Rammer
GREETERS		Dale & Beth Wingert	Jeff & Nancy Van Wyk
CAMERA		Ethan Teunissen	Dan Otte
SOUND		Sheila Teunissen	Jared Veenendaal
COMPUTER		Stephanie Veenendaal	Ben Cleveland
GREET/ASSIST PEOPLE	<i>After Service</i>	Aaron Lund	Dennis Beach

OUR STAFF

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