

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

Nov. 2, 2025

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PRELUDE

"How Great Is the Greatness of God"

WELCOME

"I Will Sing of My Redeemer" (Hymn #309)
"God So Loved"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: *Lord Jesus, You have said in Your Word that others will know we are Your disciples by our love. We confess that, too often, Your love is not seen in us. We have not loved You with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength; and we have not loved one another, or our neighbors, as we should. We have said we love you, but have not obeyed what You command (John 14:15). Forgive us, and help us to know--and show--Your great love for us. Amen.*

WORDS OF ASSURANCE: 1 John 4:9-10

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

"You Are God Alone"

SERMON:

"The Profound Mystery of Marriage"

Pastor Brad
Ephesians 5:21-33

OFFERING

"Song in My Soul"

BENEDICTION



Let's be grateful for the Word of God, which is like a lamp to our feet and a light to our path (see Psalm 119:105). We rejoice that you have come to unite with us in praising the Creator of us all!

THIS WEEK

TODAY

9:30am Worship Service
10:45am Sunday School/POW45
10:45am Getting to Know 1st Reformed

MONDAY

1:30pm Living Bible Study

TUESDAY

1pm Dorcas Society
7pm Elders

WEDNESDAY

6:30pm The Chosen Sm. Group
6:30pm Youth Night

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE CHOSEN small group study will meet on first and third Wednesday nights starting THIS WEDNESDAY at 6:30pm in the Fireplace Room on the first floor of the Lighthouse.



Thank you to all who have offered to donate items for the **HARVEST SUPPER**. We are still in need of a few workers. Please check the signup sheet on the table in back of church. There is a bin in the kitchen for any non-perishable donations and others can be put in the refrigerator. All items should be here by 3pm Friday, Nov. 14. If you have any questions, please contact Connie Lund.



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Our annual collection of shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child will be taking place over the next few weeks, with boxes being available today. Boxes will need to be returned to Church by Sunday, Nov. 16. Two years ago we had 34 boxes and I would love to fill the 50 shoeboxes we have! If we run out of boxes, any box can be used. Please pray for the success of this wonderful mission that reaches out to children worldwide to not only give them shoeboxes filled with special gifts but to teach them about Jesus and His great love for us. If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Van Wyk.



CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

If you would like to purchase a poinsettia in memory or to honor a loved one, please fill out an information sheet and place it in the box on the foyer table. Flowers may be taken home after the Christmas Eve service on Dec. 24. Cost is \$11; the deadline for ordering is Nov. 30.

YOUTH

YOUTH NIGHT: Nov. 5, 6:30-8pm.

Shopping for the Food Pantry - Youth grades K-12 are invited to spend the evening with us shopping to benefit the Sheboygan Falls Food Pantry. We will meet in the Family Life Center at 6:30. Volunteers will transport our kids to the store to shop & return to church to deliver the groceries. **If your child requires a booster seat, please provide it that evening so we can travel safely to Piggly Wiggly.



WE'RE ACCEPTING MONETARY DONATIONS!

After church services on 10/26 & 11/2, our youth will be accepting your monetary donations to be used to shop for the most needed items for the Falls Food Pantry. Please consider donating. To see our youth in action, stop by Piggly Wiggly on Wednesday, Nov. 5 between 6:45-7:30 - or mark your calendar to avoid a shopping trip at that time! We appreciate your generosity as we continue this valued First Reformed tradition.

C IS FOR CROSSCENTER/CHRISTMAS/COOKIES



Cross Center will be hosting our annual Cookie Walk during Main Street Memories on Saturday, Dec. 6 from 8am-noon. We would appreciate any delicious treats you're willing to donate portioned on plates with 4-6 cookies and in Ziploc bags dropped off in the FLC by 2pm on Friday, Dec. 5. Thank you for your generous support of our youth; we greatly appreciate it. If you have any questions, please contact Jenny Kappers 920-207-5559.

COMMUNITY



As a member of this church and on the Board at Pine Haven, I am handing out our **ANNUAL APPEAL LETTER** and form after the service today. There will be extras on the table in the foyer. ~ *Mark Kappers*



Tonight, from 6-7pm, is the Closing Rally for the Fall **40 DAYS FOR LIFE** campaign. Bring candles, flashlights or lanterns and join us for the last hour of the campaign to pray at the vigil site, 909 S. Taylor Drive (corner of S. Taylor and New Jersey Ave). The Lent campaign will begin on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 18, 2026. Until then we will continue to pray at Planned Parenthood during the hours they are open on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Sign up at 40daysforlife.com/Sheboygan and select the "365 calendar". Questions? Contact Germaine 920-918-2310 or Gina 920-917-9324.

Thanksgiving and Christmas can be particularly difficult times for those who are adjusting to the death of a loved one. Wenig Funeral Homes are hosting a "**HOLIDAY SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE**" to be held at Oostburg CRC on Sunday afternoon, Nov. 9 at 1pm. The public is welcome. Call 920-467-3431 for more information.



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.

This is a ministry that reaches the forgotten people of the world. While inmates may be forgotten by people, they are never far from the heart of God. James Hildebrandt is the local chaplain.



A man who confesses his sins in the presence of a brother knows that he is no longer alone with himself; he experiences the presence of God in the reality of the other person. As long as I am by myself in the confession of my sins, everything remains in the clear, but in the presence of a brother, the sin has to be brought into the light

~Dietrich Bonhoeffer

The Profound Mystery of Marriage

11-2-25

Ephesians 5:21-33

Series: *Immeasurably More*

"For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh." This is a profound mystery—but I am talking about Christ and the church.

- Ephesians 5:31-32

Marriage is a powerful picture of the sacrificial love of Christ and the joyful submission of His Church, as a witness to the mystery of God's gospel plan:

1. S_____ to give up control in s_____ love.

2. S_____ to give care in s_____ love.

3. S_____ to give commitment in s_____ love.

4. This will lead to a s_____ love.

**"God was so precious to my soul that the world with all its enjoyments appeared vile.
I had no more value for the favor of men than for pebbles."**

~ David Brainerd



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 Nov. 2	NEXT WEEK Nov. 9
USHERS		Jeff Van Wyk Bob Bonneau	Jeff Van Wyk Bob Bonneau
GREETERS		Dick & Gail Huibregtse	Joel & Ashley Huibregtse
NURSERY		Katie Fabian Joe Fabian	Tong Wang Ashley Huibregtse
CAMERA		Kylah Kappers	Abby Kappers
SOUND		Sheila Teunissen	Jared Veenendaal
COMPUTER		Abby Kappers	Ning Zhang
CHILDREN'S SERMON		xxxx	Kathy Felton
GREET/ASSIST PEOPLE	<i>After the Service</i>	Aaron Lund	Jeff Van Wyk

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