


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. 23, 2025

Worship Service – 9:30am

PRELUDE

"Come Praise and Glorify"

WELCOME

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus" (Hymn #630)

"Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: *Holy and loving God, You have told us in Your Word that part of Your will for us is to be joyful always, to pray continually, and to give thanks in all circumstances. We confess that we struggle and fall short in each of these areas. Restore in us the joy of Your salvation. Renew in us a longing to seek You and depend upon You in prayer. Receive from us our thanksgiving for Your faithfulness, grace and love to us. Amen.*

WORDS OF ASSURANCE: Ephesians 2:4-5

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

"Speak, O Lord"

SERMON:

"The End Is the Beginning"

Pastor Brad
Ephesians 6:19-24

OFFERING

"Yet Not I, But Through Christ in Me"

BENEDICTION

Welcome

Welcome to worship! God has been, and is, our dwelling place "from everlasting to everlasting" (Psalm 90:1-2). Let us praise God, our eternal home, during this hour together!

THIS WEEK

TODAY

9:30am Worship Service
10:45am Sunday School/POW45

MONDAY

6:30pm Women's Bible Study

WEDNESDAY

6:30pm Thanksgiving Service

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANKSGIVING SERVICE

This Wed., Nov. 26, 6:30pm

HELP US SHARE GOD'S LIGHT

Sat., Dec., 6, 4:30pm

Come and join us to walk with our church's float in the Main Street Memories parade. Meet in the Bemis parking lot at the corner of Monroe St. and Mill St. at 3:45 pm.

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Sun., Dec. 7, 10:45 am

Family Life Center

Elder nominees: Dave Mulder,
Dick Huibregtse (extended term for one additional year)

Deacon nominees: Marty Halverson,
Curtis Teunissen



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.

LADIES – A WEEKEND AWAY!



Lake Lundgren's Weekend for Ladies is Feb. 6-8, 2026.

Come relax and take a break from the busyness of life. This is an opportunity to grow your faith and focus on your relationship with God. Flyers are on the back table; register online at llbc.org. When you register, put First Reformed Church Sheboygan Falls as your group, and be sure to mark that you want a

cabin with a bathroom. Any questions, contact Carol Meinnert.

YOUTH

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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, in Ziploc bags, dropped off in the FLC by 2pm Friday, Dec. 5. If you have any questions, please contact Jenny Kappers 920-207-5559.

HYMN HISTORY

"WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN JESUS"

Joseph M. Scriven (1819-1886), an Irish immigrant to Canada, wrote this text in 1855. Because his life was filled with grief and trials, Scriven often needed the solace of the Lord as described in his famous hymn.

Educated at Trinity College, Dublin, Ireland, he enrolled in a military college to prepare for an army career. However, poor health forced him to give up that ambition.

Soon after came a second blow—his fiancée died in a drowning accident on the eve of their wedding in 1844. To put as much distance as possible between himself and that tragedy, Scriven then moved to Canada. While living there, he became engaged again, but his fiancée became ill and died before they could be married.

Scriven received word that his mother was ill. He couldn't afford to return to Ireland, so he sent his mother a poem in the hope that it would comfort her. He later submitted a copy of his poem to a religious journal, where it was published. A few years later, in 1866, he died.

But his poem lived on in ways that he could never have imagined. Ira Sankey, a musician who worked with Dwight L. Moody, published it in a book of hymns, and Moody had it sung in his evangelistic meetings. Soon it was one of the best-known hymns in America. Missionaries took it abroad, where people sang it in many languages.

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.

- Our sympathy to La Verne Soerens and her family on the passing of her husband Woody Soerens
 - Wayne LeMahieu is at Sheboygan Senior Community for therapy
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MISSION
of the
WEEK



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.



Seek to please

Shift your prayer life from "Please, God" to "Please God." Take the comma out of those two words when you pray, and transition your praying from asking God for things to asking God for the pleasure of God's pleasure.

The End Is the Beginning

11-23-25

Ephesians 6:19-24

Series: *Immeasurably More*

Pray also for me ... Peace to the brothers, and love with faith from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. Grace to all who love our Lord Jesus Christ ...

- Ephesians 6:19,23

Therefore ... pray for each other ... the prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.

- James 5:16

The end of this letter is the beginning of living it out, as we learn how to pray and what to pray for one another:

1. Equipped with P_____

2. Encouraged on P_____

3. Empowered by P_____

“At the heart of what it means to be a Christian is to receive a new identity. In Jesus, we do not lose our true selves, but we become our true selves, only in Him.”

~ John Piper



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. 23	NEXT WEEK Nov. 30
USHERS		Jeff Van Wyk Bob Bonneau	Jeff Van Wyk Bob Bonneau
GREETERS		Steve & Stacy Wagner	Travis & Morgan Steffen
NURSERY		Tonja Veenendaal Kylah Kappers	Jackie Stoffregen Gail Huibregtse, Avery Koene
CAMERA		Ethan Teunissen Nov. 26 – Dan Otte	McClaren Teunissen
SOUND		Dan Otte Nov. 26 – Ken Van Wyk	Sheila Teunissen
COMPUTER		Stephanie Veenendaal Nov. 26 – Jon Fritsch	Ben Cleveland
CHILDREN'S SERMON		xxxx	xxxx
GREET/ASSIST PEOPLE	<i>After the Service</i>	Dick Huibregtse	Ning Zhang

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