


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

## June 29, 2025

### Worship Service – 9:30am

#### PRELUDE

*"Let the Nations Be Glad"*

#### WELCOME

*"How Firm a Foundation" (Hymn #408)*  
*"In Christ Alone"*

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION:** *Lord, You have revealed Your glory and Your truth in Your Word. Yet we must confess how little we know about the Bible, and the limited amount of time we spend reading and reflecting on its message and meaning. Forgive us for our reluctance to both hear the Word and do what it says, and for how often we pass up opportunities to share or to invite others to hear the message. We ask You to open doors for Your message to be heard (Col. 4:3). Amen.*

**WORDS OF ASSURANCE:** John 5:24

#### CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

*"Ancient Words"*

**SERMON:**  
*"Equipped to Engage"*

Pastor Brad  
2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

**OFFERING**  
*"Speak, O Lord"*

#### BENEDICTION

*Welcome*

*Jesus taught his disciples the "Lord's Prayer" we still pray, centuries later. As we worship, know that you are in company with countless generations, praising God who was and is and is to come. Welcome.*

## THIS WEEK

### TODAY

9:30am Sunday Worship

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY to MARYANN OTTE,

who is turning 90 years old!

Everyone is invited to stop in and wish her the best.

Saturday, July 5, 11:30-2pm in the Family Life Center.



### PRAISE IN THE PARK

Sunday, July 6, 9:30am

Bring a lawn chair and join us for an outdoor worship service in the prayer park.

There will be no Facebook or YouTube broadcast on this day because of the outdoor service.

### WET 'n WILD

Wed., August 6  
6:00-7:15 pm



### SHEPHERD'S CLOSET CURRENT NEEDS

**Girls** (little girls) sizes 4,5,6,7 & 10

**Boys** (little boys) sizes 5,6 & 10-18  
(all seasons)

**Men's** sizes small-medium (all seasons)

**Men's Jeans** sizes 28w to 32w

**Shoes** boys & girls – all sizes

**No Ladies clothing needed**

It will be greatly appreciated if the clothes are in *good shape* and are *clean* and *free of stains*. Please drop off your items in the blue bin near the church office.

~Margie Lammers

*The Bible without the Holy Spirit is a sundial by moonlight.*

D.L. Moody



**DUCKTONA** is looking for volunteers for Sunday, July 6. Volunteer opportunities include Car Show Crew, Food Court Helpers, Park Operations Team, Set Up Crew, Clean Up Crew – all areas are flexible with times and commitments. Please contact Chamber Main Street at 920-467-6206 or [chambermnst@sheboyganfalls.org](mailto:chambermnst@sheboyganfalls.org) (see flyer on bulletin board for more information).

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*The best way to be a good father to your children is to be a good husband to their mother.*

Jay Adams



In 1937, July 4 fell on a Sunday. While Pastor Eldred Johnston led worship that morning in Paulding, Ohio, local kids set off firecrackers nearby (restrictions were rare back then). Realizing he needed to act, the pastor slipped outside during a hymn and found the revelers.

But instead of scolding or shouting, Johnston stayed calm. "I used to enjoy shooting fireworks too," he said, adding that he knew it was a fun way to celebrate. "But many in this town are gathered in worship, and the noise is very distracting. All I'm asking is that you wait until church services are over — about noon — and then shoot firecrackers all you want." The pastor smiled at each youth and returned to church.

Recounting that experience in *Liberty* magazine, Johnston said he half-expected to hear defiant explosions. Instead, the kids waited respectfully until worship was over. When conflicts loom, may we heed that example — and this advice from Proverbs: "A gentle answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger" (15:1, NIV).

# 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 Linda and Steve Wilterdink and their family on the passing of Neva Walvort.
  - Our sympathy to the family of Marilyn Pitcher following her passing.
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MISSION  
of the  
WEEK



## **CAMPUS LIFE of Sheboygan County**

Campus Life is a nonprofit, non-denominational Christian ministry dedicated to sharing the love of Christ with area families. For more than 50 years we have been helping people in need, from children to senior citizens.

Being non-denominational, we are considered "neutral turf." This means we avoid issues of theological debate, and instead focus on a personal relationship with Jesus Christ, salvation by grace through faith and living a life pleasing to God. No matter where you are at in your faith or life, there's a place for you at Campus Life.

Campus Life is located at 6426 S. Business Drive, Sheboygan, WI 53081  
Visit us at [gocampuslife.com](http://gocampuslife.com).

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### **A Modern Noah and His Ark**

*A commercial mariner in the Gulf of Mexico makes it his business to save animals from drowning — not just two by two, but hundreds over recent years. In 2018 Brandon Upton first saw shadows floating near his boat. Realizing they were sea turtles, he contacted animal-protection authorities. The creatures were*

*"cold-stunned" because the water had dropped below 56°F. Sea turtles become comatose in such conditions, putting them at risk of drowning, boat strike or, if washed ashore, land predators.*

*Every winter since, Upton pulls an airboat alongside his main vessel, rescuing any stunned turtles he sees. He brings them to San Padre Island National Seashore workers, who gradually warm them in a rehabilitation center. Then they release the turtles back into the wild.*

*As Christians, we often focus on helping people in need. But God created and cares about animals too. Perhaps you share love with a pet or donate to protect endangered species. Maybe you've taken kids to a zoo to learn the wonders of animal life. Perhaps you take pains to carry a spider outside or, like Upton, own special equipment to help animals. We can care for God's creatures in countless ways — no need to build an ark!*

# Equipped to Engage

2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

6-29-25

Series: *Equip to Engage*

*You have known the holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting, and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.*

- 2 Timothy 3:15-17

We are equipped by the Word for the work of engaging our community with the message of salvation through faith in Christ Jesus:

1. Equipped by the W\_\_\_\_\_

For Our F\_\_\_\_\_

For Our F\_\_\_\_\_

For Our F\_\_\_\_\_

2. Engaged in the W\_\_\_\_\_

Prepared for the C\_\_\_\_\_

Patience in the C\_\_\_\_\_

Perseverance for the C\_\_\_\_\_

**“Prayer is simply a two-way conversation between you and God.”**

*~Billy Graham*



## 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 June 29	NEXT WEEK July 6 – Praise in the Park
<b>USHERS</b>		Steve Klescewski Kevin Lammers	xxxx
<b>GREETERS</b>		Ben & Joy Cleveland John & Pat Boge	xxx
<b>NURSERY</b>		Jackie Stoffregen Tonja Veenendaal	xxxx
<b>CAMERA</b>		McClaren Teunissen	xxxx
<b>SOUND</b>		Jared Veenendaal	Corey Kappers
<b>COMPUTER</b>		Ning Zhang	xxxx
<b>GREET/ASSIST PEOPLE</b>	After the Service	Steve Wilterdink	xxxx

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