

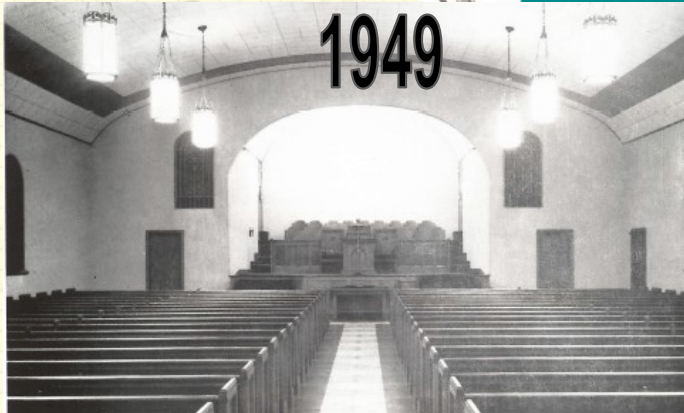
The purpose of this project:  
Transforming First Reformed Church  
into a user-friendly Ministry  
on a mission of spreading Christian faith  
through fellowship and mission.

# Reformed Informer

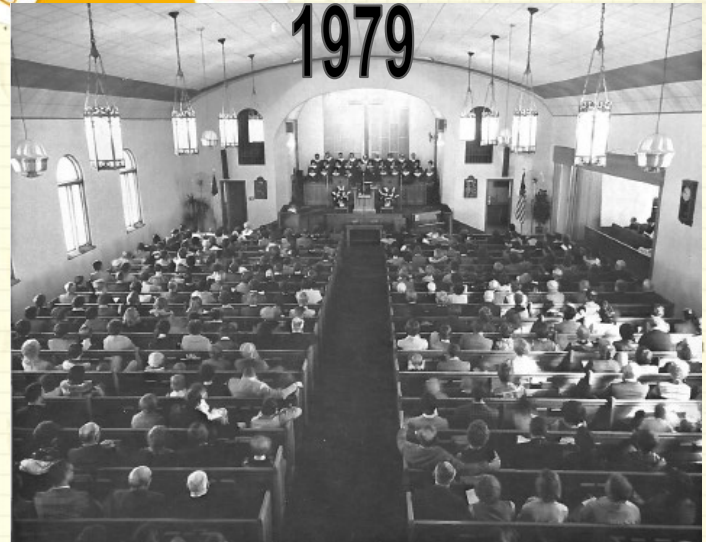
August 2019—First Reformed Church, Sully, IA



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## "A VIEW FROM THE PEW"

Change. Innovate. Do hard things. That's what disciples do. July 1, 2019 marked the end of an era and the start of a new beginning. Walking around the sanctuary taking pictures, there are feelings of nostalgia, as we are on the verge of change. What did the congregation feel like 70 some years ago when these same pews were brand new? Joy? Happiness? Excitement? Anticipation? Many of those same emotions we have now as we begin to renovate the sanctuary. What will it be like? For what seems like an entire lifetime, the sanctuary has looked the same and hasn't changed other than maybe the color of the carpet!

The first step, on July 1, was the removal of those very same pews that maybe your kids grew up in or you stuck your gum under, or even the ones that pinch your behind every Sunday! However, if you got one of those pews after they were removed, and are taking it home, it could possibly be remade into something completely different, something new, with a fresh new purpose than it had before.

So, it is with enthusiasm and eagerness that we look forward, and begin a new journey to an enhanced version of our sanctuary and the many blessings in the future. One that we will worship in for many generations to come! May our prayer be that we might be found joyful in this milestone and pass this to the next generation of FRC to be faithful to Christ.

(You may follow the progress on Facebook or the church's website [sullyfrc.org](http://sullyfrc.org))



2019





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### KICK OFF IS September 8, 2019

**Faithwalkers**—9th—12th grade—Sunday evenings at 6 pm

**IMPACT**—6th—8th grade—Sunday evenings at 5 pm

What Jeff had to say about the weekend: "Power Connection is always a great trip because it gives us the chance to make an Impact for the Lord in an area where there is need, and also get the chance to deepen & develop our individual faith. This year was no different. Our kids served with great attitudes, pressed into what the Lord was doing, and I believe we're all coming home changed because of what we experienced at Power Connection.



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Our morning service is livestreamed through our website



**Back:** 3 raft guides, Daniel Shaffer, Kayla Van Dyke, Ethan Wyma, Krystal Van Dyke, Lily Zylstra, Alison & Jeff Knouse and Cale Van Wyk  
**Front:** Dylan Liekweg, Kendra Van wyk, Andrea Bogaard, Jager Huyser, Luke Kramer, Kinley James, Kennedy Kesling, Shaleah Van Wyk and Emily Van Gorp



**Wednesday, September 4** is our Family Night Carnival Kick off for all ages! **5—7:30 pm**—Fun for ALL ages!

**Wednesday, September 4** meals will be served beginning at **5:30 pm**

**STARS After School Program**—K—5th grade begins September 4, **3:30—5:30 pm**

**Small Groups** for 6th—8th grade and 9th—12th grade will begin September 12!

### Prayer Breakfast

Free Jesus, and donuts.

**THIS STARTS FRIDAY, AUGUST 30.** Every Friday morning at 7:30 am all 9th—12th grade are invited to come for donuts, chocolate milk, orange juice and prayer. Invite your friends! It's a great way to end the school week!



**Back:** Dylan Liekweg, Alison Knouse, Majesta Vos, Hailey Scandridge, Kyler Agan & Denny Liekweg **Front:** Caden Dunsbergen, Corrina Rozendaal, Deven Liekweg, Mehkayla Miller & Jeff Knouse



# STARS Afterschool

How can it be August already? The majority of people with whom I have spoken seem to have the same feeling of how fast this summer has gone. We have been blessed with beautiful mornings and evenings to usher July out!

The second week of July was busy with VBS! Thanks to the many volunteers who helped make it a success with over 100 in attendance each night for *LIFE IS WILD; GOD IS GOOD!*

Now, we are looking forward to the beginning of fall programming with **Sunday School beginning September 8<sup>th</sup>** and **STARS on September 4<sup>th</sup>**!



**STARS** - Each week we spend 30 minutes on a Bible lesson, 10 minutes on memorizing Bible verses, and 40 minutes on skill badge work. For the Bible lessons, we cover the highlights of the Bible from Genesis to Revelation using a children's study Bible. Skill badge work includes making games, painting, and learning about God's handiwork from people in the community as they explain their careers from a police officer to an artist. In addition, children have had the chance to make edible creations.

**Four family meals** provide the children the opportunity to share what they have learned are scheduled for **October 9, November 20, February 5, and March 11.**

**WHO:** Kindergartners – Fifth graders

**WHEN:** Wednesdays: September 4 – November 20 and January 8 – March 11

The children are walked by adult volunteers from Lynnville-Sully Schools to church. There is **NO COST** for this program. Sign up **TODAY!** Easy sign up **ONLINE** at [www.sullyfrc.org](http://www.sullyfrc.org) or contact Julie Van Manen, Children's Ministry Director at [julievmfrcsully@gmail.com](mailto:julievmfrcsully@gmail.com)!

The **STARS** program would not be possible without the time and talents of many dedicated volunteers. Thank you to all who have served and continue to serve in this ministry.



**"I can do everything through Him who gives me strength." Philippians 4:13**



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# 2019 VBS





# Getting To Know You



## Cody & Kelly Kesling Kennedy, Kacey & Kaiser

**Birthdays:** Cody—10/2/75  
Kelly—9/10/78  
Kennedy—6/7/04  
Kacey—2/5/08  
Kaiser—2/12/15

**Anniversary: February 5, 2004**

The Kesling family's address may be Kellogg, but they live just south of Interstate 80 on a farm nestled back in the trees, close to the Kellduff Station.

Cody grew up around the Altoona area with his parents Joseph and Shelley Kesling. He also has two brothers Nathan (Deb) Kesling and Joe Kesling both from Altoona. Kelly's parents are Patrick and Kathi Burns and she shared a home by Runnels with her sister Lisa (Jared) Cotton of Herman, MO. Cody and Kelly were

sweethearts at Southeast Polk High School and a few years later, they decided to be wed in Jamacia! Kelly recalls they lost their room keys in the ocean in Jamacia, but by chance, Cody's mom found them hours later as she was walking in the water and stepped on them!

Besides Cody and Kelly, three children complete their family of five. Kennedy who is going to be in 10<sup>th</sup> grade, Kacey a 6<sup>th</sup> grader this fall and Kaiser is four years old. The Keslings enjoy their farm life and when they have extra moments, they have made time for fishing, camping or spending time with the family. Music is also another passion for them. Kelly is the owner/photographer of Kesling Photography and Cody works for Cook Plumbing.

Kennedy feels the youth groups at First Reformed are amazing! The family also loves and appreciates the friendliness and welcoming attitude of the people of the First Reformed congregation!

Thank you Kesling family for letting us "Get to Know You" better!



The Need People who live in extreme poverty in the city of Bluefields and in rural communities along the Río Grande de Matagalpa in eastern Nicaragua need health education, community development, and pastoral care.



**Adrian Bobb and Bernardeth Kelly's Ministry:** Bernardeth Kelly Bent and Adrian Bobb, who is ordained, train health workers, pastors, and other people; work with churches to establish foster homes, feeding programs, and scholarships for children from poor neighborhoods in Bluefields; and provide pastoral and health care to people in remote villages along the Río Grande de Matagalpa. Adrian Bobb and Bernardeth Kelly serve in partnership with the Moravian Church in Nicaragua. NICARAGUA

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**Please pray:** • For safety as Adrian and Bernardeth travel to remote villages. • For good health for Adrian and Bernardeth. • For God to help patients to be more thankful. • For God to continue to provide the means to get medications. • For the children in the foster homes. • For the children and their families at the feeding centers.



**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**818 Forward With Faith** – “Pop-up Anniversary Showing”: Mark your calendars to come and view the construction progress at 812 Lincoln Street in Pella on **August 17, 2019, from 9am-12pm**. Donations in the amounts of \$8.18, \$81.80 or \$818.00 will be entered into a prize drawing. In addition to the monetary donation, Cranberry Stone Bakery will once again be taking preorders for our anniversary fundraiser! Preorder options are 6/\$12 or 12/\$24. Cupcake choices include: White Wedding Cake, Ghirardelli Chocolate, Strawberry Cream, Dutch Letter, Salted Caramel, and Oreo. Orders need to be placed by **August 10, 2019** to be picked up on **August 17, 2019, from 9am-12pm** at 812 Lincoln Street in Pella. We encourage you to pre-order as there will be limited cupcakes available on a first come first serve basis!

Place your order by emailing Ruth De Vries at [Indvrs@iowatelecom.net](mailto:Indvrs@iowatelecom.net) OR call/text #641-780-3791. Thank -you for your ongoing support!

**ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENT:**

**Kristen Van Der Wilt & Colton Bradley** of Pella were engaged and plan to be married here at FRC on September 12, 2020.

**CO-ED SOFTBALL**

**August 6—**

- 6:30 pm—FRC 1(Jacob) vs. Heart of Worship (W)
- 6:30 pm—FRC 2(Jeff) vs. Federated Fellowship (W)
- 8:00 pm—FRC 1(Jeff) vs. Sully CRC (E)

**August 13—**

- 8:00 pm—FRC 1(Jacob) vs. FRC 2 (Jeff) (W)

**August 20—**

- 6:30 pm— FRC 2 (Jeff) vs. Heart of Worship (W)
- 6:30 pm—FRC 1 (Jacob) vs. Peoria CRC (E)
- 8:00 pm—FRC 1 (Jacob) vs. Federated Fellowship(E)

**SULLY FIRST REFORMED CHURCH FALL**

# Family Night KICKOFF!

**Wednesday, Sept. 4**



**GAME TIME: 5-7:30 PM**      **RAIN DATE: SEPT. 11**

Join us for **FREE** food and fun to kick off our fall family programs. *Invite your friends and neighbors!*

The family fun night will include:

- Inflatables
- Barrel Train
- Cake & Cookie Walk
- Football Throw
- Lots of Food

**FREE!** Adults: Enter to win \$50 of grocery money!



**STORM DAMAGE 2019 - "Now you see it, now you don't!"**





**August 1**

Mike Zylstra

**August 2**

Emily Dykema

**August 3**

Cody Van Wyk

**August 5**

Helen Brand ~ Samuel Schechinger

Dorothy Van Genderen

Theodore Vasileiadis

**August 6**

Bryan Rozendaal ~ Ethan Wyma

**August 8**

Marlin Van Wyk ~ Riley Rozendaal

**August 9**

Sarah Scholten ~ Teryl Ver Ploeg

Amber Van Wyk

**August 11**

Corey Van Der Wilt ~ Josalynn Winegar

**August 13**

Dennis Liekweg ~ Shelly Rankin

**Eldred Van Gorp (92)**

**August 15**

Brock Mortvedt ~ Kyle Van Rees

**August 16**

Barbara Van Sant

**August 17**

**Wilma Rozendaal (103)**

Murray Zegers

**August 18**

Jordyn Rozendaal ~ Brett Vanden Hoek

**August 19**

Don Nunnikhoven

**August 20**

Carolyn Van Waardhuizen

**August 21**

Grace Harthoorn

**August 22**

Melanie Renaud ~ Rachel Van Wyk

**August 23**

Linda Arkema ~ Bailey Huyser

Kevin Terlouw

**Marlene Van Wyk (86)**

**August 24**

Carson Dunsbergen ~ Gary Van Genderen

**August 25**

Dan Dykema

**August 26**

Jeremy Rozendaal ~ Dawn Schechinger

Peyton Schechinger ~ Ashlee Wyma

**August 27**

Bob Scandridge ~ Lynn Wyma

**August 28**

Marilyn Van Maanen

**August 29**

Wayne Daniels

**August 30**

Joel Jansen ~ Emilie Van Kooten

Meggan Vasileiadis ~ Addison Zegers

**August 2**

Matt & Dawn Schechinger—**11 years**

**August 4**

Travis & Karissa Chapman—**12 years**

**August 6**

Nick & Hannah De Penning—**1 year**

**August 7**

Roger & Jean Van Der Kamp—**49 years**

**August 9**

Justin & Jayme Deal—**12 years**

**August 13**

Aaron & Amber Van Wyk—**3 years**

**August 14**

Scott & Valerie Rolffs—**38 years**

**August 20**

Dennis & Donna Liekweg—**25 years**

**August 21**

Glenn & Rhonna Fiihr—**49 years**

Pavlos & Meggan Vasileiadis—**9 years**

**August 24**

Jerald & Charlotte Kunce—**61 years**

**August 26**

Jeff & Shelley Vander Molen—**30 years**

**August 27**

Tyler & RYanne Jansen—**8 years**

Randy & Shelly Rozendaal—**37 years**

**August 29**

Alex & Kenzie Huyser—**4 years**

**August 31**

Ron & Julie Dunsbergen—**34 years**

*Inscribe the Word*  
August Scripture Writing Plan  
**FOR KIDS!**

Writing out Scriptures is a way to understand God's Word and Hear His voice without distractions. Each of the Scriptures below should take fifteen minutes to copy. So grab your journal, your bible, and some pretty pens, and let us INSCRIBE THE WORD together.



**How to Study the Bible**

1. Read the Scripture out loud.
2. Write the Scripture in your journal.
3. Ask yourself how you can live out the Scripture.
4. Pray that Jesus would help you apply the Scripture.

**The Miracles of Jesus**  
Part 1

- 1. John 2:5
- 2. John 2:7-8
- 3. John 2:11
- 4. John 4:47
- 5. John 4:51-52
- 6. Mark 1:23-24
- 7. Mark 1:25-26
- 8. Matthew 8:17
- 9. Luke 5:4
- 10. Luke 5:5
- 11. Luke 5:6
- 12. Matthew 8:3
- 13. Matthew 8:5-6
- 14. Matthew 8:8
- 15. Matthew 8:13
- 16. Mark 2:3-4
- 17. Mark 2:5
- 18. Mark 2:11-12
- 19. Matthew 12:10
- 20. Matthew 12:13
- 21. Luke 7:12
- 22. Luke 7:14-15
- 23. Matthew 8:23-24
- 24. Matthew 8:26
- 25. Matthew 8:28
- 26. Matthew 8:32
- 27. Mark 5:22-23
- 28. Mark 5:25-26
- 29. Mark 5:30
- 30. Mark 5:36
- 31. Mark 5:41-42

*Inscribe the Word*

**AUGUST SCRIPTURE WRITING PLAN**

WRITING OUT SCRIPTURES IS A WAY TO UNDERSTAND GOD'S WORD AND HEAR HIS VOICE WITHOUT DISTRACTIONS. EACH OF THE SCRIPTURES BELOW SHOULD TAKE FIFTEEN MINUTES TO COPY. SO GRAB YOUR JOURNAL, YOUR BIBLE, AND SOME PRETTY PENS. AND LET US INSCRIBE THE WORD TOGETHER.

*The Book of Ruth*

- Day 1: Ruth 1:1-2
- Day 2: Ruth 1:3-5
- Day 3: Ruth 1:6-7
- Day 4: Ruth 1:8-10
- Day 5: Ruth 1:11-13
- Day 6: Ruth 1:14-17
- Day 7: Ruth 1:18-22
- Day 8: Ruth 2:1-3
- Day 9: Ruth 2:4-7
- Day 10: Ruth 2:8-9
- Day 11: Ruth 2:10-12
- Day 12: Ruth 2:13-14
- Day 13: Ruth 2:15-17
- Day 14: Ruth 2:18-20
- Day 15: Ruth 2:21-23
- Day 16: Ruth 3:1-3
- Day 17: Ruth 3:4-6
- Day 18: Ruth 3:7-9

- Day 19: Ruth 3:10-12
- Day 20: Ruth 3:13-15
- Day 21: Ruth 3:16-18
- Day 22: Ruth 4:1-3
- Day 23: Ruth 4:4-5
- Day 24: Ruth 4:6-8
- Day 25: Ruth 4:9-10
- Day 26: Ruth 4:11-12
- Day 27: Ruth 4:13-14
- Day 28: Ruth 4:15-16
- Day 29: Ruth 4:17-18
- Day 30: Ruth 4:19-22
- Day 31: Matthew 1:5-6

*Proverbs 3:1-3*

MY CHILD, KEEP MY WORDS AND STORE UP MY COMMANDS WITHIN YOU. GUARD MY TEACHINGS AS THE APPLE OF YOUR EYE. BIND THEM ON YOUR FINGERS. WRITE THEM ON THE TABLET OF YOUR HEART.



# August 2019 PRAYER CALENDAR

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Duane, Joni & Cheyanne Collins	2 Gary & Laura Lee Creasy	3 Wayne & Reda Daniels and Mehkayla Miller
4 Justin, Jayme, Connor, Chase & Caulen Deal	5 Carl & Joyce De Goey	6 Ryk & Jan De Goey	7 Garret & Jade De Hoedt	8 Brent & Sandy De Jong	9 Bryan & Carna De Jong	10 Chris & Kelly De Jong
11 Clarence De Jong	12 Johnnie & Delia De Jong	13 Margaret De Jong	14 Dale De Penning	15 Donavon & Darlys De Penning	16 Howard De Penning	17 Nick & Hannah De Penning
18 Bryce, Katelyn Brinley & Kinsley Doane	19 Gerald & Elaine Droppert	20 Andy, Jamie, Christian, Ellington & Siara Dunsbergen	21 Beryl & Velda Dunsbergen	22 Blake & Cathryn Dunsbergen	23 Brandon Dunsbergen	24 Bruce, Lynn Shannon & Ellie Dunsbergen
25 Dennis & Lisa Dunsbergen	26 Dustin, Dana, Josh, Mason, Carter & Reese Dunsbergen	27 Kenton, Kayla & Brody Dunsbergen	28 Melvin & Shirley Dunsbergen	29 Ron & Julie Dunsbergen	30 Tim, Nicole, Caden & Carson Dunsbergen	31 Wanda Dunsbergen

# August 2019 ACTIVITY CALENDAR

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

				1	2	3
4 9:30 am Pastor Wayne Sneller 6 pm Pastor Tom VandeBerg	5	6 2 pm Staff Mtg	7 5:45 am Promise Keepers	8	9	10
11 9:30 am Pastor Joel Brummel 6 pm Pastor Tom VandeBerg	12	13 2 pm Staff Mtg	14 5:45 am Promise Keepers	15	16	17
18 9:30 am Pastor Wayne Sneller 6 pm Pastor Tom VandeBerg	19	20 2 pm Staff Mtg	21 5:45 am Promise Keepers 6:30 pm Elders Mtg. 6:45 pm Deacons Mtg 7:30 pm Consistory Mtg.	22	23	24
25 9:30 am Pastor Wayne Sneller 6 pm Pastor Tom VandeBerg	26	27 2 pm Staff Mtg	28 5:45 am Promise Keepers 	29	30 7:30 am Prayer Breakfast	31