"Hope for the Discouraged"

**Pastor Wayne Sneller** 

1 Kings 19:1-15; Romans 8:26 9:30 a.m.

January 20, 2019

The entry door to discouragement in our lives is when we become physically and sometimes spiritually, emotionally and mentally exhausted.

Lessons we can learn about discouragement from Elijah.

- 1. Elijah was totally \_\_\_\_\_! (see 1 Kings 18 for his story).
- "I have had enough, Lord." 1 Kings 19:4
- 2. Elijah didn't \_\_\_\_\_\_ that one spiritual victory doesn't mean victory.
- "So Jezebel sent this message to Elijah ... (my plan is to kill you) ... "1 Kings 19:2
- **3. Discouragement leads to** \_\_\_\_\_\_.
  The moment we become discouraged, there is a tendency for us to
- It will cause you to take yourself way too seriously and God not enouah!
- It will cause us to run from \_\_\_\_\_\_. "Elijah was afraid and fled for his life." 1 Kings 19:3
- 4. Discouragement causes us to others and the facts.
- "I have zealously served the Lord God Almighty...But the people of Israel have broken their covenant with you and killed every one of your prophets." 1 Kings 19:10
- 5. Discouragement makes the future look \_\_\_\_\_\_ we see what we are to see.
- "I am the only one left and they are trying to kill me too!" 1 Kings 19:14

#### How God gave Elijah Hope

 1. Get some \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
 1 Kings 19:5, 8

 2. God \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Elijah! "Go back...I will preserve..." 1 Kings 19:15, 17

#### Life Application: Where can I find God's help?

- Always \_\_\_\_\_\_ with areas I can change.
- Be assured that God knows our . "But the Holy Spirit prays for us with groaning's that cannot be expressed in words." Romans 8:26
- your relationship with God. "Let me show you who I am." 1 Kings 19:11-13
- Get to work. 1 Kings 19:15

#### Be prepared to receive God's hope that will to you and your life's situations!

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# **Discouraged**"

"And the Holy Spirit helps us in our weakness." Romans 8:26

January 20, 2019 9:30 AM First Reformed Church, Sully Iowa **Pastor Wayne Sneller** 

#### First Reformed Church Morning Worship \* 9:30 a.m. \* January 20, 2019 Pastor Wayne Sneller

PRELUDE	"Praise Team
THE APPROACH TO GOD	
*Call to Worship	
*Hymns of Praise	""This is My Father's World"
	"Our God Saves"
*Worship Prayer	
Children's Message	Puppet Ministry
(3 yr. olds thru $1^{st}$ grade dismissed for Ch	•
Legacy Addition base	ement!)
Announcements	
Congregational/Offertory Prayer	
Offertory	"Shine On Us"
THE WORD OF GOD	
Scripture1 Kings	19:1-15(pg.293); Romans 8:26(pg.918)
Message	ed"Pastor Wayne Sneller
THE RESPONSE TO GOD	
*Closing Hymn	
*Benediction	
*Response	chorus—"A New Hallelujah"
POSTLUDE	
*Indicates standing if able	*CCLI License # 790003
*There will be a time of coffee and fellowship after	the service this morning in the Gather-
ing Place fellowship hall. *We Livestream all our services at www.sullyfrc.org	to watch online

Due to the cold weather, the evening worship is cancelled for this evening.

There is NO Young Couples Bible Study tonight. Rescheduled for Sunday, February 10.



#### FEBRUARY 16, 2019, 5 - 9 PM

#### PARENTS NIGHT OUT

Youth Tennessee Trip Fundraiser

The youth going on the Tennessee Trip this summer are offering their services to baby sit for a free will donation on **Saturday, February 16 from 5 - 9 pm** Kids can be dropped off at the church. They will be fed and entertained for the evening. **Sign up online at www.sullyfrc.org or email** jkfrcsully@gmail.com



Friday, February 8-818 Forward With Faith 2nd Annual Dessert Dash at Pella Christian High School. Silent auction from 5—6 pm, followed by supper and desserts. Inspirational message by John O'Leary. RSVP to promotion@forwardwithfaith.org or on our website www.forwardwithfaith.org. Saturday, February 9—17—Work Trip to Eastern Texas February 25—March 2—Work Trip to Marshalltown, IA Thursday, February 28—Central lowa Classis Meeting in Leighton February 28—March 3—CITEC (Teens Encounter Christ) will be held here at FRC. March 6, 5 – 7 pm—Shrove Pancake Night



### PRAYER CORNER

#### A personal note from Pastor Wayne,

Congregational members at First, this is your opportunity to provide feedback for this most important decision that is facing the Reformed Church in America. In 2020 a decision will be made concerning the direction for the RCA. The issue you are responding to is the sanctity of marriage between a man and a woman. The church office has sent this survey to all the members in our data base via email. Below is the letter sent from the Vision 2020 Team in the RCA.

#### Dear members of the RCA,

The RCA is at a crossroads. As a denomination we are discerning God's will for our future. Any direction we take will involve great change. The Vision 2020 Team has been tasked by General Synod 2018 with prayerfully and effectively researching options for our future and presenting a preferred option to General Synod 2020. Our research must include (but not be limited to) the three scenarios suggested by General Synod 2018: staying together, significant reorganization, and gracefilled separation.

We invite you to help us in this important moment by praying for the Vision 2020 Team, that we would hear the voice of the Spirit and that we would have strength and courage in our work. We also ask you to help us with our discernment by sharing your thoughts about the future of the RCA in a brief survey and asking your congregation to do the same. Our goal is to hear voices from every corner of the denomination through this survey, and we truly hope yours is one of them.

**Take the survey:** <u>https://www.tfaforms.com/4714458?raid=A000873</u> This can only be done on the computer. IF you do not have access to one and would like to take this survey, please stop by the church office and we can help you fill it out on our computer

We will be collecting responses to the survey until January 31. Please consider taking a few minutes to offer your perspective on the future of the RCA before January 31. We also ask that you help us share this invitation with other RCA members, congregants, and colleagues. Each person brings important wisdom that we need to hear in order to get a complete picture of how the Spirit is speaking to the denomination.

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Grace and peace to you in Jesus,

The Vision 2020 Team

#### Church Family

- Marvin Baarda was able to return home last week Friday, January 11 and is doing very well.
- **Dennis Renaud** had surgery to remove a tumor on his spine on Monday, January 14 at St. Mary's Hospital in Rochester, MN. Surgery went well, but he developed a blood clot which they had to flush out on Tuesday, January 15. He still has some back pain and has some left leg weakness. He was able to head home Thursday, January 17 where he will begin his recovery. He will return to Mayo Monday, January 21 for radiation on his neck. His Caring Bridge site is **www.caringbridge.org/visit/dennisrenaud.**
- Shirley Baarda will have colon cancer surgery on Monday, January 21 at Iowa Methodist Hospital in Des Moines.

Work Trip Opportunity in Marshalltown: Sully First Reformed Church and Sully Christian Reformed Church are combining into one group of volunteers for this effort. They are in the beginning stages of collecting names of volunteers who would be **available the week of February 25 through March 1**. If you are interested in joining these volunteers, contact the **First Reformed Church office at (641) 594-2935, or the Christian Reformed Church office at (641) 594-3491 by February 3.** You may participate as few or as many days as you wish during this week, and you can either drive home at the end of the day, or stay overnight in Marshalltown. The rebuilding effort is being coordinated by Habitat for Humanity. Details about the exact days and type of work our group will be doing will be finalized a week or two before our assignment. There will be a meeting after the worship service on **Sunday, February 3rd** for anyone interested in going. If you have questions before February 3rd, please contact Chuck/Deb Johnson at 594-2702 or **csdajo@netins.net**. There is more information on the table by the church office and Welcome Center.

#### Your 2019 Church directory is in your mailbox: There have been a few additions and corrections—please correct in your directories at home.

Ross Van Wyk: PO Box 117, Sully, IA 50251, phone # 641-891-6195 Andy Dunsbergen: email—adunsconst@gmail.com Henry & Alma Veldhuizen—1734 Main St. Zuid Holland, Pella, IA Room #16 (Henry) & Room #9 (Alma)

**Family night meal donations:** hotdogs, macaroni, velveeta, gift cards to Fareway/Walmart

**Children's activity bags** are available in the south coat rooms and hanging on the coat racks in the wing.

## **MORNING SCHEDULES 2019**

DATE	SIDE AISLE	CENTER AISLE	WING
January 20	Scott Rolffs	Doug Maasdam	Jason Van Zante
	Brady Van Wyk	Cale Van Wyk	Joel Van Wyk
January 27	Kyle Van Rees	Dwayne Maasdam	Bob Scandridge
	Derrick Zimmerman	Ethan Wyma	Shawn Huyser

January 20		January 27
Hollie Nunnikhoven Jamie Dunsbergen Dylann Huyser Ellie Dunsbergen	INFANT & TODDLER NURSERY	Amy Harthoorn Suzanne Rozendaal Brittney Hansen Jager Huyser
Parents: Dan Dykema Storyteller: Marlis Van Zante Leader: Stephanie Dykema	CHILDREN IN WORSHIP	Parents: Joel & Liz Harthoorn Storyteller: Jeff Knouse Leader: Faye Brand
Ross Van Wyk	LIVE STREAM	Bryce Doane
Kaylee Maasdam	PROJECTION	Justin Deal
Ron & Julie Dunsbergen	WELCOME CENTER	Nick & Hannah De Penning
Shawn Huyser Tim Dunsbergen	VALET PARKERS	Nathan Young Brad Rozendaal

#### NOVEMBER 25– MARCH 2019 – NO GREETERS

Due to the fact that the "flu bug" is making its way around. We will discontinue hand shaking for now. Please greet your neighbor with a friendly smile and hello!

#### NURSERY INFORMATION:

Please contact Hollie Nunnikhoven at <u>sullyfrcnursery@gmail.com</u> if you would be willing to help out with this ministry! Nursery alert pagers are available in the nursery at check-in!

A nursery is provided from birth to age 3. Our nurseries are located right next to the Welcome Center located on the south east corner of the new addition.

Children in Worship Activities—3 year old—1st grade are dismissed during the service and meets downstairs (stairway in the Gathering Place by the elevator)

\*Guests please stop by the Welcome table to find out more about First Reformed Church! \*The AED Defibrillator is located in the church office on the 2<sup>nd</sup> shelf on east wall Weekly Calendar at Sully  $1^{st}$  Reformed for the week of January 20–27, 2019

Sunday January 20	9:30 amMorning Worship- Pastor Wayne Sneller10:45 amSunday School for ALL ages!4:59 pmIMPACT Youth Group (6th—8th grade) in the Well6:27 pmFaithwalkers Youth Group (9th –12th grade) in the WellNO EVENING WORSHIP TONIGHT
Monday January 21	
Tuesday January 22	9—3 pm Sewing Days
Wednesday January 23	<ul> <li>5:45 am Promise Keepers Bible Study</li> <li>3:30 pm STARS After school program</li> <li>5:30 pm Family night meal (hot dog/chili dog, mac-n-cheese, pretzel salad &amp; peanut butter cookie)</li> <li>6:15 pm 6th—8th small group</li> <li>6:45 pm 9th—12th small group</li> </ul>
Thursday January 24	
Friday January 25	7:30 am Prayer Breakfast (9th – 12th grade)
Saturday January 26	8 am—1 pm— <b>Consistory Retreat</b> in the Gathering Place— Carl Boersma, Classis Leader will lead this retreat. Breakfast will begin at 8 am.
Sunday January 27	<ul> <li>9:30 am Morning Worship - Pastor Wayne Sneller</li> <li>10:45 am Sunday School for ALL ages!</li> <li>2—4:30 pm TEC Meeting in the Legacy Center</li> <li>6:00 pm Evening Worship—Pastor Tom VandeBerg</li> <li>6:00 pm Anchor Worship Service in the sanctuary—Pastor Wayne</li> <li>Sneller will be the speaker for the evening. Everyone welcome!</li> </ul>



In case of inclement winter weather the decision to **cancel services will be made by 7:30 a.m. for the morning service and 3 p.m. for the evening service.** Church meetings will be cancelled if the Lynnville-Sully School cancels classes or is dismissed early for bad weather. Cancellations will be announced on KGRN, KCCI, WHO TV and www.sullyfrc.org, through our FRC email list and now TEXT ALERTS!



**SIGN UP for TEXT ALERTS** on our website at sullyfrc.org on the home page under the service times (join FRC Text)! You will then be notified by a text when services are cancelled! You can also sign up for volunteer opportunities as well!

#### **Consistory Notes**

January 16, 2019

Our meeting opened with prayer and devotions by Chuck Johnson and Pastor Wayne.

Communion reports and review of Care Team assignments were shared.

It was approved to cancel the evening worship service for January 20, 2019 because of cold weather and distance our evening speaker had to drive. A limited review was held concerning worship options during our impending sanctuary renovations. It was shared our consistory retreat will be January 26. The letter of transfer request of Breianne Dunham and her baptized son, Hudson to Crossroads Reformed Church in Norwalk was approved. The Baptismal request for Mason Connor, son of David & Monica Nikkel was approved for February 10, 2019. Chuck Johnson, Teryl Ver Ploeg and Pastor Wayne will be attending winter classis, February 28 at Ebenezer Reformed Church in Leighton, IA.

The deacons reported the following: **December giving: General:** \$35,762.13; **Mission:** \$27,879.68 (Christmas offering—\$13,672.35); **Sunday School:** \$1,193.93; **Building:** \$8,659.91 (4th quarterly offering—(\$7,251.25). **General balance** as of 12/31/18—\$119,296.45; **Mission balance** as of 12/31/18—\$20,092.39. A new folding machine for the office was approved. Our 23 college students will be given \$40 gift cards for Valentine's Day as a reminder of our care and community for them. An additional sanctuary camera was approved. It will allow additional viewing angles for children's sermons and the pulpit area. It also can be used in our new sanctuary. **Three new missionaries** were approved for our mission support. They are replacing the Lampens who quit the mission field and relocated to serve a church in Illinois. Our new missionaries are: Brian and Elizabeth Bruxvoort, Soldota, Alaska—missionary pilots and missions to native Alaska tribes; Phil and Olivia lekel—liaison responsibilities between missionaries and volunteers in the field in Nicaragua; and Filipe and Janelle (De Waard) Silva serving youth and college students in Lupeni Hunedoera, Romania (co-workers and serving the same areas as the Lampens did).

#### Committee reports:

**Building and grounds** reported the south Gathering Place lights were placed on a timer set at 5—10 pm for the season.

**Christian Education:** Jeff Knouse shared that 20 junior and senior high recently went to Sky Zone in Des Moines. Julie Van Manen shared that 71 children are attending the second half of our STARS program. We also have 22 primary department children enrolled in Sunday school.

**Phase 2 report:** On January 7, the Building team met with our architects and reviewed the plans and what was needed to begin our sanctuary renovation (Phase 2) on July 1. The consistory brainstormed on the logistics of where to hold morning worship services during renovation. More discussion will be held next month.

God is good!

For the Consistory Pastor Wayne

#### CONSISTORY- 2019

Rev. Wayne Sneller, President-wsneller@netins.net

Kurt Harthoorn (19) Chuck Johnson (19) Jeff Van Wyk (19) Gerald Droppert (20) Dennis Dunsbergen (20) Mark Scholten (20) Bryan De Jong (21) Beryl Dunsbergen (21) Doug Huyser (21)

ELDERS

DEACONS Dan Dykema (19) Kendall Jansen (19) Rod Rozendaal (19) Andy Dunsbergen (20) Duane Van Rees (20) Cole Vos (20) Gale Horman (21) Matt Schechinger (21) Jeff Vander Molen (21)

#### OFFICERS OF CONSISTORY

Vice President – Dennis Dunsbergen (20) Clerk – Kurt Harthoorn (19) Deacon Chairman – Duane Van Rees (20) Deacon Secretary – Cole Vos (20) General/Maintenance Fund Treasurer – Kendall Jansen (19) Ass't General Fund Treasurer – Matt Schechinger (21) Mission Fund Treasurer – Dan Dykema (19) Ass't Mission Fund Treasurer – Gale Horman (21)

> Youth & Education Director Jeff Knouse—jkfrcsully@gmail.com Children's Ministry Director Julie Van Manen—julievmfrcsully@gmail.com

#### COMMITTEE CHAIR PERSONS AND CONTACT PERSONS

Church Office – 641-594-2935 or email: frcsully@netins.net Secretaries – Deb Van Kooten & Deb Van Wyk Custodian – Rod Zuidema Newsletter Editor – church office <u>frcsully@netins.net</u>

Christian Education – Gerald Droppert Calendar Activities – Church office Worship Committee – Pastor Wayne Sneller Secretary/Custodial – Dennis Dunsbergen Greeters/Ushers – Mark Scholten Pulpit Supply – Dennis Dunsbergen Sound System – Donavon De Penning Van Committee – Kendall Jansen Women with Purpose – Joni Collins Church Nursery – Hollie Nunnikhoven Food Committee – Bruce & Lynn Dunsbergen 1st & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Custodian – Donavon De Penning Coffee Time Committee - Beryl & Velda Dunsbergen Kidz Movie Nite –Lynn Dunsbergen Buildings & Grounds – Rod Rozendaal Website Updates – Church office Welcome Committee – Chuck Johnson Request Shut-in Communion – church office Music Committee – Bryan De Jong Service Committee – Velda Dunsbergen Legacy Kitchen – Shirley Dunsbergen "The Well" Kitchen – Barb Jansen The Well" Kitchen Rental Chairman – Lynn Dunsbergen Fellowship – Kurt Harthoorn Power Point Projection – Teryl Ver Ploeg Audio/Visual – Josh Rozendaal Hospital Equipment–Jeff Vander Molen

- $\Rightarrow$  Your children can be picked up at 11:30 a.m. each Sunday.
- $\Rightarrow$  An offering will be collected each Sunday. This is a great way to teach kids how to tithe.
- $\Rightarrow$  All kids in Children in Worship downstairs will be led to opening exercises.

#### Beginner Department - 3 year old—Kindergarten

Lynn Dunsbergen & Cayla Wichhart Opening exercises east side of basement room #8 & 9 3 year olds – Room #9 (Little Lambs) - Hands on Bible—Teach as Jesus Taught

**Teachers:** Amy Harthoorn & Suzanne Rozendaal Marlene Rozendaal & Lisa Dunsbergen **4 year olds – Room #7 (Zacchaeus' Treehouse)** Hands on Bible—Teach as Jesus Taught

Teachers: Annette Zimmerman & Kara Warrick, Monica Nikkel & Elaine Droppert

Pre – Kindergarten – Children in worship area – Room #10 (Builders) Scripture Press: We See God's Care; We Can Care for Others; We Can Show Thanks

Teachers: Cayla Wichhart, Steph Young, Ryanne Jansen & Cathryn Dunsbergen

#### Primary Department—1st—4th Grade

**<u>Primary Department</u>** – Dawn Schechinger & Monica Nikkel - Opening Exercises Rm. #6- West side-Kid Connection: Hands & Feet for Creation; Boredom; Is Your Camel Clean

1<sup>st</sup> Grade – Room # 4 (Lion's Den) Teachers: Carrie Mortvedt & Dawn Schechinger

2<sup>nd</sup> Grade – Room #3 (Commandment Center) Teachers: Joni Collins & Julie Van Wyk

3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Grade- Room #1 (Creation Station) Teachers: Verlan Brand & Julie Van Manen

#### Middle School—5th—8th grade

ChyAnne & Dylann Huyser (The Lighthouse -opening exercises upstairs above wing)

5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Grade – The Lighthouse—Scripture Press: God Makes a World; Sin Enters the World; The Flood & Tower Teachers: Nick De Penning, Mel Vos & Tim Vanden Hoek

7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade – The Lighthouse—Dive: What is Being a Christian All About; What's with All the Rules **Teachers:** Bob Scandridge

#### High School—9th—12th grade

9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> Grade – The Well (west side of basement) Teacher: Kurt Harthoorn—*Heidelberg Catechism* 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> Grade – The Well (east side of basement) Teachers: Ryan Mortvedt - Bible In Life

#### **ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL OPPORTUNITIES**

Adult Sunday school –meet in the Legacy Center "Daniel: Spiritual Living in a Secular World" Gary Van Genderen, Ervin Arkema, Jennifer Kramer & Chad Fikse

#### Sunday Evening Youth Groups

IMPACT Youth (6th—8th grade) - meet at 4:59 pm—Jeff Knouse, Denny & Donna Liekweg, Caden Dunsbergen & Hailey Scandridge

Faithwalkers—(9th-12th grade) - meet at 6:27 pm—Jeff & Alison Knouse, Brent & Sandy De Jong & Cale & Kendra Van Wyk

#### Wednesday Night Small Groups

6th—8th Grade—6:15 pm in the Well—Nick De Penning 9th – 12th Grade—6:45 pm in the Lighthouse—Gerald Droppert