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JULY 2019—FIRST REFORMED CHURCH, SULLY, IA



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"We Shape our Buildings and Then They Shape Us!"

Dear Friends,

Sunday morning worship will look a little different for the next six months or so as we begin our Phase 2 remodeling project of our sanctuary.

As I write this, all the pews have been taken out of the sanctuary in anticipation of the next stage of demolition that will lead to a new remodel of our worship area.

I thought to myself how quickly things can be taken apart in contrast to how long it takes to put things together.

When it comes to a church, long before a project begins a vision needs to be born.

We need to think above the things that are built by human hands and go to where God is leading us.

Buildings are to be instruments, not monuments. I would hope that we would never build a building we couldn't tear down if we needed to in order to reach more people, because people are the priority not buildings!

One of the aspects of a building project is the way it shapes and focuses a congregation as we deal with change!

Our place of worship will be different, the usual place we sit will be different, the people we sit next to will be new! This in turn develops conversations with people we might have been going to church with for years but have never talked to!

My prayer is that our project will not only remodel our sanctuary but remodel our heart for the Lord in the family we call First Reformed!

We will have new opportunities to get involved and see our mission theme lived out "Impacting Lives for Christ!"

When we first dreamed about this project we outlined the purpose of this remodel. Let me remind you of the vision God gave First Reformed.

"Our new sanctuary will be a place where God is worshipped and that it might be a home that intentionally provides a warm, welcoming place to be part of God's family!"

Let us live out Proverbs 3:16, "Commit your actions to the Lord, and your plans will succeed!"

See you in the Gathering Place!

In Christ,

Pastor Wayne



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July is always one of my favorite months as a youth director, because that means it's time for trips! Our students are not short of amazing trips this year. As July kicks off the Faithwalkers will be right in the middle of our first ever Tennessee Retreat down in Gatlinburg, Tennessee. Would you please pray for our students who are going on this trip? Pray that they would get up close and personal with their Lord, Savior, and Friend Jesus. Would you also pray for our leaders? Pray that the Lord would give them energy and a deep well of love to pour out on these students. Would you please pray for our travels and safety as well? We are praying that God would use this trip to change all of our lives by drawing us closer to His heart.

We then end July with our Impact group taking off to Minneapolis for Power Connection! This is such a great trip as we get to serve the greater Minneapolis Metro and get to deepen our faith as we serve and follow Jesus. Would you pray for our students? The themes for Power Connection this year are Encounter and Aware, so pray that these students would have an encounter with Jesus that results in them becoming more aware of His presence in their lives. By the end of July we will have so many stories to share, and I can't wait.

FAITHWALKERS ANNUAL

FOURTH OF JULY PANCAKE BREAKFAST

| Thursday July 4 | 7-9:30 am |
| Sully Community Center |
Pancakes, Sausage, Eggs, Coffee & Juice
Free Will Donation
Sponsored by Faithwalkers at Sully First Reformed Church

2019
Aware
POWER CONNECTION

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WEEKEND CONFERENCE FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS COST: \$165

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STARS After School Program

As the summer months are quickly moving along, before we know it; it will be time for the STARS (Spiritually Teach and Reach Students) program beginning September 4.

Each week we will 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 The Story for Children. "The Story for Children" isn't just another collection of Bible stories – it's The Story – the big picture of God's enormous love for his children!" Skill badge work includes hands on activities as we use the gifts God has given us; furthermore, we will learn about God's handiwork from people in the community as they explain their careers.

WHO: Kindergarteners – Fifth graders

WHEN: Wednesdays: September 4 – November 13 and January 8 – March 12 from 3:30 – 5:30 p.m.

Contact the Church office at 641-594-2935 or email: julievmfrcsully@gmail.com or frcsully@netins.net with questions.

Registration will be open online beginning August 2, 2019

The STARS program would not be possible without the dedication and service of several volunteers. Many thanks to those who continue to share their time and talents for this ministry. If you have not had the opportunity to be a part of STARS, but would like to make that a new experience this year, please let me know.

Thought of the month: *Children are great imitators, so give them something great to imitate*



Vacation Bible School July 8 –11 from 5:30—8:00 pm

SAVE THE DATE: ROAR! Life is Wild, God is Good! VBS 2019 is right around the corner and will be held July 8—11, 2019 from 6 –8 pm with supper being served at 5:30 pm. Come join us for a wild time learning about God's goodness and love in our life!

REGISTER ONLINE at <http://sullyfrc.org/vbs-2019/> (scroll down on first page)

VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED: Are you looking for something to do the week of July 8-11? We are still in need of volunteers to be crew leaders and nursery helpers for Vacation Bible School, please let Heather Zylstra at hmzylstra@yahoo.com or Julie Van Manen at julievmfrcsully@gmail.com know!

The VBS donation list is out! You can find it in the Gathering Place! Donations can be dropped off at the church until June 24, 2019. Perishable food items may be dropped off on Sunday July 7, 2019.

Menu

Monday: Hot Dog/Loose Meat on a bun, green beans, peaches

Tuesday: Spaghetti with meat sauce, bread stick, salad, applesauce

Wednesday: Pancakes, sausage, strawberries

Thursday: Pizza, assorted veggies, assorted fruit
Milk (chocolate or white) and water will be offered with each meal

Offering

This year our donations will be given to Keaton's Angel Homes. Keaton's Angel Homes is a licensed 501© (3) nonprofit organization created to provide loving homes, personal care, proper nutrition, and therapy to special needs orphans in Taiwan and India. Their homes are designed for disability and are handicap accessible, where they provide needed medical and hospice care for orphans, and also provide spiritual support to orphans and families with special needs children. **The following is a list of items that can be brought to VBS which will then be given to Keaton's Angel Homes.** Any monetary donations will also be given to buy more supplies.

Clothes size infant to 5T

Cloth diapers

Wet wipes

Infant and children fever reducer

Crib sheets

Children's socks and underwear

Infant and children's blankets

Rubber crib sheets

Orajel

Desitin



TYLER & KAILA HARSSELAAR

TYLER—12/31/87

KAILA—8/17/92

ABEL—10/24/17

ANNIVERSARY: OCTOBER 1, 2016

When Tyler Harsseelaar started working for the Newton Fire Department in September of 2012, he didn't realize he would be marrying the daughter of one of his coworkers. Kaila and Tyler started dating in 2014, but due to restrictions at the department of family members being employed there, Tyler didn't propose until Kaila's dad retired due to medical reasons in 2015. They were married in October of 2016 at The Way in Newton with the reception at Old Settlers in Lynnville.

Tyler is now employed with the Ankeny Fire Department as a Firefighter/Paramedic. His parents are Dwight and Kim Harsseelaar of Lynnville which is where Tyler grew up. In 2006, he graduated from Lynnville-Sully High School and went on to Marshalltown Community College for a year as well as finishing out his schooling at Northwestern, graduating with a Degree in Exercise Science. He got his Paramedic Degree from the University of Iowa.

Kaila works part-time as a Massage Therapist and part-time as a nurse at Grinnell Hospital on the Med/Surg floor. She is the daughter of Calvin & Debbie Swank of Reasnor and has one sister Keri (Brett Schippers) who lives east of Monroe with their two boys Brayden (5) and Parker (2). After graduating from Prairie City-Monroe High school in 2011, Kaila went to DMACC in 2012 for her LPN Degree. She then went to school for Massage Therapy and in 2018 went back to DMACC to complete her RN.

The Harsseelaars live in a house in Sully, on a quiet street with their active little boy, Abel and are expecting their second child sometime this month. Outdoor adventures such as hunting or camping are some of the activities their family enjoys. While individually, Tyler loves to swing the golf clubs and Kaila can likely be found in their flower garden.

The sense of community and the welcoming atmosphere are two of the qualities they appreciate of First Reformed. Everyone is so generous and thoughtful in times of hardship and times of happiness! Another blessing is the Mission Trips where kids can see other parts of the world while using their gifts to bless others!

Thank you Tyler and Kaila Harsseelaar for letting us "Get to Know You Better!"

Missions UPDATE



Jeremy and Susan Beebout's ministry Niger is a very poor country with rapid population growth that outstrips the limited resources available in every sector of society.

The Beebouts partner with the Evangelical Church of the Republic of Niger (EERN), working to build the denomination's capacity to share the love of Christ through health and rural development activities. Jeremy, an agronomist with construction experience, is contributing through oversight and maintenance of building projects, administration, and a few water access and tree-planting projects. Susan, an internal medicine doctor, has overseen the creation and growth of Clinique Olivia and is helping to develop a new clinic site. Jeremy and Susan both teach at the local public university and host volunteers who come to participate in the work.

Please pray: • For wisdom and direction for EERN leaders as they guide the denomination • For Clinique Olivia staff as they share the love of Christ with patients • For guidance as the nursing school opens and the new clinic in Dogon Douchi is built and opened. • For Lydia, Eliza, Abigail, and Benjamin, as they grow in faith, knowledge, and understanding.

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Renovation Begins July 1, 2019




 God Bless

AMERICA

- I N D E P E N D E N C E D A Y -

July 4th Community Wide Church Service

Sunday, July 7 6:00 p.m.
Sully Community Town Square
Ushindi Choir, Swahili Evangelical Refugee Fellowship, Atlanta, GA
Daniel & Sarah Zagami's church plant

Inclement weather the service will be held at Community Church, Sully

Please join us....

Event: 4th of July Community Wide Church Service

Place: Sully Community Town Square – if inclement weather it will be at Community Church, Sully, IA—bring lawn chairs

Date & Time: Sunday, July 7, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

Information:

The Ushindi Choir from the Swahili Evangelical Refugee Fellowship of Atlanta, GA (Daniel & Sarah Zagami's church plant) will perform. This is a 30 member choir all Bembe Congolese youth that grew up in refugee camps in Tanzania and Burundi.

Coffee time will follow

COED CHURCH SOFTBALL LEAGUE SCHEDULE: Sully Ballpark



- July 2 : 6:30 pm—FRC 2 (Jeff K) vs. Sully CRC (West)
 8:00 pm—FRC 1 (Jacob VM) vs. Heart of Worship (West)
- July 9: 7:00 pm—FRC 2 (Jeff K) vs FRC 1 (Jacob VM) (East)
- July 16: 6:30 pm—FRC 1 (Jacob VM) vs. Federated Fellowship (West)
 8:00 pm—FRC 2 (Jeff K) vs. Heart of Worship (West)
- July 23: 6:30 pm—FRC 2 (Jeff K) vs. Federated Fellowship (West)
 8:00 pm—FRC 1 (Jacob VM) vs. Peoria CRC (West)
- July 30: 6:30 pm—FRC2 (Jeff K) vs. Peoria CRC (West)
 7:00 pm—FRC 1 (Jacob VM) vs. Sully CRC (East)

This year our church will have 2 teams representing FRC—one is organized by Jacob Van Manen and the other one is organized by Jeff Knouse. There is a concession stand each week



- July 1**
Lynn Dunsbergen ~ Tony Torres
Georgia Zimmerman
- July 2**
Rod Rozendaal
- July 4**
Brandon Dunsbergen ~ Don Jansen
Matt Schechinger
- July 5**
Susan Beyer ~ William Dykema
Josh Rozendaal
Wanda Dunsbergen (94)
- July 6**
Ken Van Soelen ~ Lois Rozendaal
Rusty Van Wyk
- July 7**
Owen Rozendaal
- July 9**
Heidi Van Wyk ~ Kylie Vander Molen
- July 10**
Jerry Jansen ~ Will Kelly
Elana Newell ~ Kate Van Manen
- July 11**
Ken Hackert ~ Karen Jansen
Cole Vos
LeRoy Van Maanen (83)
- July 12**
Makayla Rozendaal ~ Conrad Van Maaren
- July 13**
Howard De Penning (80) ~ Katelyn Doane
- July 14**
Tyson Jansen ~ Jason Van Zante



- July 15**
Norma Harthoorn ~ Kayla Dunsbergen
- July 16**
Brooke Harthoorn ~ Raelee Warrick
Joyce Ver Ploeg (88)
- July 17**
Riley Terlouw
- July 18**
Karla Winegar ~ Dan Zegers
- July 19**
Verlan Brand
- July 20**
Joah Harthoorn ~ Major Harthoorn
- July 21**
Gene Jansen
- July 22**
Jay Rozendaal
- July 23**
Monica Nikkel
- July 24**
Aaron Van Wyk
- July 25**
Klayton Van Dyke ~ Jeff Knouse
- July 28**
Lorie Van Soelen ~ Dalton Winegar
- July 29**
Duane Collins ~ Jayme Deal
- July 30**
Jerald Kunce (82)
- July 31**
Doug Huyser ~ Shelly Vos
Dick Jr. Ver Ploeg (88)



- July 5**
Derrick & Annette Zimmerman—**11 years**
- July 6**
Darrell & Linda Zegers—**56 years**
- July 12**
Joel & Liz Harthoorn— **11 years**
- July 13**
Ryk & Jan De Goey—**56 years**
- July 22**
Kenton & Kayla Dunsbergen—**2 years**
- July 25**
Dustin & Dana Dunsbergen—**21 years**
- July 26**
Kurt & Arloa Harthoorn—**46 years**
- July 29**
Johnnie & Delia De Jong—**67 years**
- July 30**
Ryan & Emilie Van Kooten—**3 years**



July
SCRIPTURE WRITING PLAN
Seeking the Truth

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| Day 1: Psalm 15:2-5 | Day 17: 1 Corinthians 2:12-13 |
| Day 2: Psalm 25:5 | Day 18: Ephesians 1:13-14 |
| Day 3: Psalm 51:6 | Day 19: Ephesians 4:15-16 |
| Day 4: Psalm 86:11 | Day 20: Ephesians 4:25 |
| Day 5: Psalm 119:160 | Day 21: Ephesians 6:13-15 |
| Day 6: Proverbs 12:17 | Day 22: 1 Timothy 3:15 |
| Day 7: Isaiah 45:18-19 | Day 23: 2 Timothy 2:15 |
| Day 8: Zechariah 8:16-17 | Day 24: 2 Timothy 4:3-5 |
| Day 9: John 1:14, 17 | Day 25: Hebrews 10:26 |
| Day 10: John 4:23-24 | Day 26: James 1:18 |
| Day 11: John 8:31-32 | Day 27: James 5:19-20 |
| Day 12: John 14:5-7 | Day 28: 1 Peter 1:22 |
| Day 13: John 14:15-17 | Day 29: 2 Peter 2:1-2 |
| Day 14: John 17:13-19 | Day 30: 1 John 3:18-19 |
| Day 15: John 18:37-38 | Day 31: 3 John 2-4 |
| Day 16: Romans 2:6-8 | |

Commit to spending 10 minutes every day to meditate and reflect on God's Word.
Write down what you have gleaned from each day's scripture.



Inscribe the Word
July 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 Sermon on the Mount

- 1. Matthew 5:1-2
- 2. Matthew 5:3
- 3. Matthew 5:4
- 4. Matthew 5:5
- 5. Matthew 5:6
- 6. Matthew 5:7
- 7. Matthew 5:8
- 8. Matthew 5:9
- 9. Matthew 5:10
- 10. Matthew 5:11
- 11. Matthew 5:12
- 12. Matthew 5:13
- 13. Matthew 5:14
- 14. Matthew 5:15
- 15. Matthew 5:16
- 16. Matthew 6:1
- 17. Matthew 6:4
- 18. Matthew 6:6
- 19. Matthew 6:9
- 20. Matthew 6:10
- 21. Matthew 6:11
- 22. Matthew 6:12
- 23. Matthew 6:13
- 24. Matthew 6:14
- 25. Matthew 6:15
- 26. Matthew 6:31
- 27. Matthew 6:32
- 28. Matthew 6:33
- 29. Matthew 7:7-8
- 30. Matthew 7:12
- 31. Matthew 7:28-29

July Prayer Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Chris, Kara, Raelee Warrick, Alyssa & Bray- den Bassett	2 Mason & Cayla Wichhart	3 Dave & Karla Winegar	4 David, Jessica, Dalton, Hudson & Josalynn Winegar	5 Clarence & Lynn Wyma	6 Mark, Justine, Ethan & Ashley Wyma
7 Nathan, Stephanie, Skyler & Slater Young	8 Dan, Kelsie & Addison Zegers	9 Darrell & Linda Zegers	10 Murray & Judy Zegers	11 Wayne & Ileen Zegers	12 Derrick, Annette, Georgia & Sadie Zimmerman	13 Henry & Betty Zuidema
14 Rod Zuidema	15 Mike & Kathy Zylstra	16 Ervin & Linda Arkema	17 Craig & Sheryl Baarda	18 Marvin & Iva Baarda	19 Shawn, Kristy & Brooke Baarda	20 Shirley Baarda
21 Sandy Beyer	22 Susan Beyer	23 Corky Boat	24 Kyle & Mikayla Bonnema	25 Audrey Brand	26 Charles Brand	27 Duane & Donna Brand
28 Eric, Faye, Carter & Abigail Brand	29 Verlan & Helen Brand	30 Travis, Karissa, Aiden & Brooklyn Chapman	31 Coltin Collins			

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 through our website



Activity Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 6:30 pm—FRC 2 8 pm—FRC 1 FAITHWALKERS TENNESSEE TRIP June 27—July 2	3	4  7—9:30 am Faithwalkers Pancake Breakfast	5	6
7 9:30 am Pastor Wayne Sneller 6 pm 4th of July Combined Wor- ship in the City Park	8	9 7 pm FRC 1 vs. FRC 2 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL—5:30—8 PM, July 8 –11	10	11	12	13
14 9:30 am Pastor Duane Laman 6 pm The Zaga- mis	15	16 6:30 pm FRC 1 8 pm FRC 2 DAY CAMP #3—Lake View Camp, Pella, IA—July 15– 17 HIGH SCHOOL - East Iowa Bible Camp—July 15—20	17	18	19	20
21 9:30 am Pastor Duane Laman 6 pm Bob Ham- mann	22	23 6:30 pm FRC 2 8 pm FRC 1 POWER CONNECTION WORK TRIP—July 23 –26 POWER CONNECTION—July 26—28	24	25	26	27
28 9:30 am Pastor Wayne Sneller 6 pm Pastor Tom VandeBerg	29	30 6:30 pm—FRC 2 7 pm— FRC 1	31	Tuesday nights are Co-Ed Softball at the Sully City Ballpark—FRC 1 is organized by Jacob Van Manen, FRC 2 is organized by Jeff Knouse—the full sched-ule is listed on the upcoming events page.		