

*For with God nothing
shall be impossible.*

- Luke 1:37



her Christian home

**FIRST REFORMED CHURCH
901 Pleasant St. Boyden, IA
Reverend David P. Poppen
December 30, 2018**

*We welcome Merlyn Sandbulte
to lead our worship this morning!*

JESUS SAVES! GROW! GO!

WELCOME! WORSHIP THE LORD!

Prelude **Leila Moret**

Call to Worship – Responsive Reading (see insert pg 4)

***Hymn #119 “O Thou Joyful, O Thou Wonderful”**

***Hymn #161 “Our Day of Joy Is Here Again”**

***Opening Prayer**

Joys and Concerns

Congregational Prayer

Hymn #497 “Near to the Heart of God”

(the general offering will be received)

COME! HEAR GOD'S WORD!

Scripture – Luke 1:34-37 (pg 1588)

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon – “Without a Doubt”

Prayer of Blessing

RESPONDING TO THE WORD!

Hymn #380 “Just a Closer Walk with Thee”

(the mission offering will be received)

***Benediction**

***Hymn # 41 “God Is So Good” 1st verse**

Postlude

(*those who are able please stand)

PRAYER AND PRAISE

May the Lord bless our coming year with spiritual growth, love for people, and many opportunities to spread the Gospel of Life.

Please pray for individuals who are struggling – whether it be with illness, sorrow, pain or their faith – including Kathy Beek, Mina Uittenbogaard, Marcia Neely, Sylvester Harms and Larry Salmon. Pray that they feel the love and strength of God during their struggles.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you are visiting today, WELCOME! Be our guest! We welcome you to our worship experience. There is coffee available in the room off of the sanctuary and following the service in the fellowship basement.

There will be no Sunday School this morning. We will begin again after the first of the year.

Hat/Mitten/Scarf Tree is up in the basement! This year we will be dividing your donations between Atlas of Sioux County and Boyden-Hull Elementary. Also, Atlas has a need for paper products. They could use donations like toilet paper, Kleenex, paper towels, toothbrushes, toothpaste and deodorant. If you have any questions, please visit with Ranae Kleinwolterink, Ginger Van Roekel or Wanda Slykhuis.

The ordination and installation of new deacons and elders will be next Sunday, Jan 6, 2019, during our regular Sunday Service. The men who the Lord and the congregation were led to lift to lead the church for the next number of years are Rod Bolkema, Marv Heemskerk & Tom Reuvers as elders; and Roger Nelson & Alan Warntjes as deacons. If there is any Biblical reason for these people not to serve, please see Pastor Dave or one of the elders to express your concern. Thank You!

College Boxes! Because this holiday season seems to have snuck up on us (!) and most of the college kids are already home for the holidays, we are planning to send the boxes after the start of the New Year. So there is still time to add some goodies to the boxes that are located in the entries and the coffee room.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Marriage Enrichment volunteers needed! Pastor Dave is looking for some volunteers to help with this experience which is planned for the end of January/beginning of February, 2019. Tasks would include support of the leaders from Rock Rapids, advertising and food. Please visit with Pastor if you are interested and/or for more information.



CALL TO WORSHIP – ASSURANCE

Leader – Let us draw near to God with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith.

People – Be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus.

Leader – I know whom I have believed, and am convinced that He is able –

People – To guard what I have entrusted to Him for that day.

Leader – Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy –

People – And find grace to help us in our time of need.

Leader – This is the confidence we have in approaching God:

People – If we ask anything according to His will, He hears us.

Leader – And if we know that He hears us – whatever we ask – we know that we have what we asked of Him.

People – So we know and rely on the love God has for us.

Leader – He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High –

People – Will rest in the shadow of the Almighty.

Leader – I will say of the Lord,

People – “He is my Refuge and my Fortress, my God, in Whom I trust.

Leader – Surely He will save you from the fowler’s snare –

People – And from the deadly pestilence.

Leader – He will cover you with His feathers, and under His wings you will find refuge.

ALL – FOR THE LORD GOD IS A SUN AND SHIELD; THE LORD BESTOWS FAVOR AND HONOR; NO GOOD THING DOES HE WITHHOLD FROM THOSE WHOSE WALK IS BLAMELESS.

TODAY – December 30, 2018

9:30 AM – WORSHIP
10:35 AM – FELLOWSHIP

THANKS TO THOSE SERVING TODAY

USHERS: Davis/Drew/Trey Van Roekel & Kevin Rosenboom

TECHNICIANS: Audio: Jeff Neuman
Video: Ben Harms
Powerpoint: Teresa Harms

KITCHEN: Lisa Nelson

COOKIES: Lisa Nelson,
Kathy Ver Meer, Shari Fedders

NURSERY: Lori & Mia Darnell

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Tue Jan 1 – Happy New Year!

NEXT SUNDAY – January 6, 2019

Worship – 9:30 am
Ordination and installation of new consistory members
Fellowship – 10:35 am
Sunday School – 10:45 am

Kitchen – Ginger Van Roekel
Cookies – Ginger Van Roekel,
Lorinda Van Roekel, Andreah Maassen

Nursery – Kaitlyn Rosenboom

Love INC is continuing to develop its Love & Learn classes which will be starting again on January 22, 2019! We will be offering four classes: Parenting (a faith based curriculum that centers on healthy parenting skills), Grief Share (help and encouragement after the death of a loved one), Faith & Finances (practical budgeting and money management with optional mentorship) and Affirming Potential (personal evaluation of physical, emotional, relational and spiritual areas of life while setting goals to live out God-given potential). **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR LOVE INC CLASSES:** Some of the opportunities to serve include child care, small group discussion leaders, financial mentors, prayer partners and so much more! Please call the Love INC office (476.5990) for more information on classes and opportunities to volunteer.

To begin a prayer chain – You can either call Max Moret at 348-2929 or Teresa Harms/church office at 725-2366.

2018 Consistory Executive Committee

Vice President – Marlin Uittenbogaard

Clerk – Les Starkenburg

Assistant Clerk – Kathy Ver Meer

Chair of Deacons – Jamie Koele

Treasurer – Paul Moret

Assistant Treasurer – Brad Van Roekel

Building & Grounds – Jason Fykstra

Music & Worship – Kathy Ver Meer

Outreach & Assimilation – Bill Noack

Mission Task Force – Vice President & Deacons

Discipleship –

2018 Elders

Brent Fedders ('18)

Bill Noack ('20)

Les Starkenburg ('18)

Marlin Uittenbogaard ('18)

Kathy Ver Meer ('19)

2018 Deacons

Jason Fykstra ('18)

Ken Hoogendoorn ('18)

Jamie Koele ('19)

Paul Moret ('19)

Brad Van Roekel ('20)

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