



*God can make the
rest of your life
the best of your
life. Trust Him.
He has a plan for
you.*

**FIRST REFORMED CHURCH
901 Pleasant St. Boyden, IA
Reverend David P. Poppen
February 3, 2019**

JESUS SAVES! GROW! GO!

WELCOME! WORSHIP THE LORD!

Prelude **Leila Moret**

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

***Praise Songs: Hymn #38 "I Will Call Upon the Lord"**

"Your Name" (screen)

"Speak O Lord" (screen)

*Opening Prayer

Joys and Concerns

Morning Prayer

Children's Sermon

***Hymn #270 "Wonderful Words of Life"**

(the general offering will be received)

COME! HEAR GOD'S WORD!

Scripture –Acts 20:32 (pg 1730)

Prayer of Illumination

**Sermon – "Becoming God's Best Version of You:
God's Miracle Grow"**

Prayer of Blessing

RESPONDING TO THE WORD!

Hymn #579 "Jesus Loves Me"

(the mission offering will be received)

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

*Benediction

***Hymn #297 "I Love to Tell the Story" refrain**

Postlude

(*those who are able please stand)

PRAYER AND PRAISE

Please keep in your prayers Kathy Beek, Mina Uittenbogaard, Marcia Neely and Larry Salmon. Pray that they feel the strength and love of our Savior. Please pray also for anyone who is struggling; that they may know the love of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Please keep Bruce Henrichs who is Bonnie's brother in your prayers for healing.

Congratulations to great-grandmother Trudy Blankers for a new great-granddaughter! Rachael Elizabeth Regan was born on Jan 3rd. She is the granddaughter of Gary & Vonnie Blankers.

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. **Sunday School classes** are available for all ages! Following worship, the children meet in the fellowship basement and adults are invited to meet upstairs in Pastor Dave's office. The Adult Sunday School class is beginning a new study about alleviating hurt in missions.

Today we celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. If you are visiting with us and love Jesus Christ and are in good and regular standing in your home church, we invite you to celebrate the sacrament with us.

We are welcoming a special guest, Cheryl Van Beek, today. Cheryl will highlight our effort to reach and strengthen marriage relationships here and in our area. Cheryl works at the First Reformed Church of Rock Rapids, Iowa. She has roots here at Boyden First and we ask you to make her feel welcome.

Easter (219) at Boyden First will be a wonderful place for you to bring a family member, friend and/or an acquaintance to worship and celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus, the Christ! We ask you to inquire of the Lord who you should invite! We will begin with a light breakfast served prior to the worship service.

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This week, Pastor Dave will be attending a conference in Sioux City put on by the Synod. The title of the conference is focused on "Small Churches with a Big Mission." Our consistory is reading the book by the same name. Pastor Dave will be at this conference Monday & Tuesday of this week.

Football fans, enjoy the Superbowl this evening!

We are glad you survived the coldest day so far this year!

Save the Date! On Wednesday, April 17th, Boyden First will host a [Jews for Jesus](#) event in our sanctuary. If you are interested in learning more about the relationship between Passover and the Lord's Supper, you will want to attend this event. More information will be shared in future bulletins.

Dordt College's Andreas Center will host song and modern-day hymn writer Sandra McCracken on Monday, February 4th as part of our First Mondays Speaker Series. This event includes a discussion at 11am entitled "A Song Writer's Journey through the Psalms" and then at 8pm is the concert, "Singing the Songs of Lament" ([Free Tickets via Eventbrite](#)) For more information, please see [Andreas Center Facebook Page](#).

Love INC of Sioux County is proud to present "Love and Laugh" on Sat, Feb 9th at Trinity Christian Reformed Church in Rock Valley. The doors will open at 5pm to be followed by a catered meal at 5:30pm and an improvisational comedy show by Slap Happy Comedy at 7. Tickets to this event are an ideal Valentine's Day gift and can be purchased for \$30 a piece by calling the Love INC office at 712-476-5990.

Inspiration Hills – Summer Camp registration opened February 1st! This year's theme is from Isaiah 43:1 "Called By Name"! Watch for the display in the fellowship basement coming soon! There is also FREE on-line registration available this year. The 4th – 6th grades Winter Retreat is scheduled for February 15th & 16th. The theme for this retreat is ANCHOR from Hebrews 6:19. You can visit their website www.inspirationhills.org for more info and to register.

Remsen St. Mary's Fish Supper Come join us at the annual St. Mary's Activity Club Fish Supper on Friday, March 8, at St. Mary's High School Cafeteria in Remsen. The menu includes those wonderful homemade salads and desserts, as well as fried and baked fish, corn, and cheesy potatoes. Serving will be from 4:30 to 6:45 p.m. Carry outs & deliveries are available. This is an all you can eat fish supper.

Work As Worship Retreat

February 22, 2019

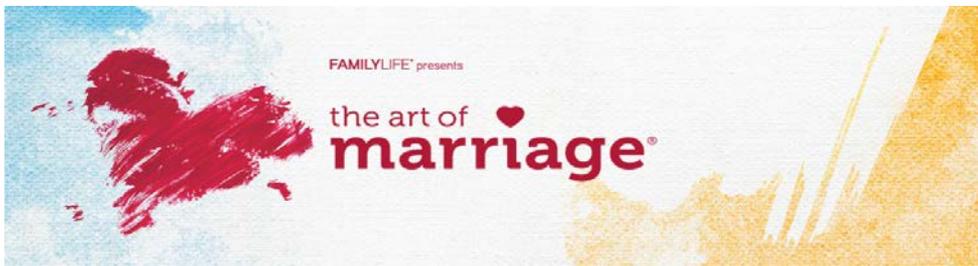
Why is this Retreat so important? The Work as Worship Retreat is designed with your church in mind. Your church is made up of men and women who spend much of their week in the workplace. As Christians, they face many challenges in today's culture and they need your encouragement. They serve as an extension of your church as they work in the community at-large. You have a unique opportunity to help them be the hands and feet of Jesus to those who might not otherwise set foot in a church. That's why we decided to step in and provide a way for you to specifically minister to them. Many business professionals are unsure of how to connect their faith and work. They might have a sense of how their faith impacts their parenting and marriage and giving, but can lose sight of how their faith intersects with their role in the workplace. The Retreat seeks to teach the Work as Worship message while empowering the local church to serve its business professionals.



The Art of Marriage

March 29 and March 31, 2019

This is an all-new video-based marriage event created to help couples fully experience God's plan for marriage. We will be hosting this event in conjunction with the First Reformed Church in Rock Rapids. If you are empty nesters, full nesters, newly married or contemplating marriage, this is for you! You are welcome to invite others and/or sponsor someone to attend. Stay tuned for more information! (Daycare will be provided.)



Are you interested in a challenge? “YouVersion” is challenging Christians to read the Bible.

Just three weeks of consistent behavior can carry you well on your way to a new habit. That’s why the annual 21-Day Challenge was created – to help you engage with the Bible every day. Start a new plan now – and start each day in this new season with a fresh perspective!

About “YouVersion” – YouVersion is a Christian ministry with the mission of helping people engage with the Bible. We believe the Bible has the power to transform people’s lives when they read or listen to it in their own language and then meditate on what its words mean to them.

We believe every person should have the opportunity to explore the Bible, no matter where they live or what language they prefer. That’s why we design and build experiences that make it easy for people to integrate the Bible into their everyday lives.

If you are interested in the challenge, go on your phone or tablet to connect with the app: <https://www.bible.com/>

Read, Listen, Watch, Share

Get the **FREE** Bible App
for your phone or tablet at
[bible.com/app](https://www.bible.com/app)

TODAY – February 3, 2019

8:40 AM – PRAISE TEAM PRACTICE

9:30 AM – WORSHIP

10:35 AM – FELLOWSHIP

10:45 AM – SUNDAY SCHOOL

THANKS TO THOSE SERVING TODAY

USHERS: Laryl De Wild & Doug Van Roekel

TECHNICIANS: Audio: Jeff Neuman

Video: Ben Harms

Powerpoint: Teresa Harms

KITCHEN: Ranae Kleinwolterink

COOKIES: Ranae Kleinwolterink,
Carla Starkenburg, Bonnie Poppen

NURSERY: Bobby Reuvers

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Mon-Tue Feb 4 & 5 – Pastor Dave at a Synod conference
in Sioux City - "Small Churches with a Big Mission"

Wed Feb 6 – Awana – 6:15/6:30 pm

Youth Group – 6:30 pm

NEXT SUNDAY – February 10, 2019

Praise Team practice – 8:40 am

Worship – 9:30 am

Fellowship – 10:35 am

Sunday School – 10:45 am

Kitchen – Lisa Nelson

Cookies – Lisa Nelson,

Pat Harms, Lori Darnell

Nursery – Holly Starkenburg

Siouxland Habitat for Humanity invites you to their "Love Your Neighbor" Pancake Supper on Wednesday, February 13, from 5:00-7:00pm in the Hull Community Building. Free will donations will be received to help families in need achieve their own home. We would love to see you there!

Siouxland Habitat for Humanity is accepting partner family applications for our homeownership program for a future home in Orange City. Application forms are available at the Orange City City Office, Orange City Library and online at <http://siouxlandhabitat.org/our-programs/home-ownership/>. Completed applications are due by March 4. If you have questions, please contact Kurt Franje, [712-476-2804](tel:712-476-2804) or email kfranje@siouxlandhabitat.org.

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

2019 Consistory Executive Committee

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Bill Noack ('20)
Tom Reuvers ('20)
Kathy Ver Meer ('19)

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