The Baptism of Elias James Schmith

A Special Celebration

FIRST REFORMED CHURCH 901 Pleasant St. Boyden, IA Pastor Heath De Jong September 8, 2024

First Reformed Church in Boyden will follow God in being a thriving community church.

Prelude Kathy Ver Meer

Welcome

Our approach to God

*Call to Worship

*Prayer

*Praise Song—"Goodness of God" (video)

Hearing from God

Sermon Title: "With Great Power Comes Great Responsibility"

Scripture text: Acts 2:43 (pg 1694)

Sacrament of Baptism

Our response to God

Praise Song "Shout to the Lord" (video) (the general offering will be received)

*Praise Song "10,000 Reasons" (video)

*Benediction

(*those who are able please stand)

PRAYER AND PRAISE

Today we celebrate the baptism of Elias James Schmith, son of Roger & Shayla Schmith. We ask our loving Father to surround him with goodness, guide his steps and keep him from all harm. God bless this precious little one!!

Please continue to lift up in prayer Bev Kooiker and any loved ones who are fighting illnesses. Ask our healing Father in heaven to comfort His children; ease their pain, heal their bodies and bring smiles to their faces once again!

Sympathy wishes are extended to Rev. Dr. John Hartog III for the loss of his father on August 30th. If you wish to send a card, his address is 1008 Aurora St, Boyden IA. He sent the following to the church with a link to the video of his father's service – "THANK YOU, EVERYONE for your prayers! God is good, all the time. --jh3" If you would like to have that link, please let Teresa know and it can be emailed to you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to Boyden First Reformed Church! We are happy you could join us this morning! Nursery services are available during worship in the church basement. After worship, please join us in the basement or the south entrance for a time of coffee and fellowship.

Consistory Nominations! The nomination letter and ballots are in your mailboxes. Please devote some time to prayer and complete your nomination ballot. You may return your completed ballot in the boxes by the mailboxes by Sun, Sept 22nd. If there is no letter in your mailbox, then it was snail-mailed to you. If you have any questions, please visit with a current consistory member.

Outdoor Worship Service next Sunday, Sept 15th! The plan is to start the morning with worship at 10 am. Please bring your lawn chairs or a blanket so you'll have a comfortable place to sit. After the service, we will have a picnic lunch. Tell your family, friends & neighbors about this event & invite them to take part!

Bible verse for the month of September – "But I have raised you up for this very purpose, that I might show you My power and that My Name will be proclaimed in all the earth." Exodus 9:16 3

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It's almost time for Awana! Registration Night is Weds Sept 11th from 5:30 - 7 pm. There will also be a meal served for the entire family and volunteers! Boyden Awana officially starts on Weds Sept 18th. A meal is served from 6-6:30 and the program runs from 6:30 to 8 pm. God is still calling YOU to make a difference in the life of a child! Will you answer?

Sunday School! The Boyden United Presbyterian Church is starting Sunday School on Sunday, September 15th. We will be worshiping in the park that Sunday and having a picnic lunch after worship. The following week, all children are invited to attend Sunday School at the UP church following worship. If you have questions, please visit with Pastor Heath or Teresa H.

New After-School Program! Beginning Monday, Sept 9th here at FRC!! Mon-Thurs will be 3:30-5:30 pm and Fri 1-5:30 pm. This is available for ages K-4th grades. Homework help, snacks, fun & games will be provided. The program will transition to First Steps Academy, the new Boyden Daycare Center, in late fall. If you have any questions or to register you can email them at <u>firststepsacademy24@gmail.com</u>.

The Boyden American Legion and Auxiliary will meet on Monday, Sept 9 at 6:30 p.m. at the Legion Building. All members are encouraged to attend to finalize plans for the waffle supper on September 24 and the Gold Star Memorial Dedication on Sunday, September 29.

Love INC Sioux County values prayer! You're invited to join us at a prayer gathering on Tue Sept 17 at 8 am at the Love INC office in Rock Valley. We are gathering again to pray for the communities impacted by the flood. *ALL ARE WELCOME!* For those of you who are prayer warriors we are looking to add to our Prayer Team so this would also be a good time to hear more about that! Matthew 7:7 "Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find, knock and the door will be opened to you."

LifeWise Academy Boyden and Hull is back in session! If you or someone you know would be interested in signing up their student for the program, registration is now open to begin classes October 1(2nd-6th grade) and 2(JH). Deadline to sign up is September 25. Check it out at lifewise.org/boydenhullia or visit us on Facebook. 4 **Sermon Title:** "With Great Power Comes Great Responsibility"

Scripture Text: Acts 2:43

One Big Idea: Acts 1:8 NIV

"But you will receive **power**... **when**... the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you **will** be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

- Power to be "my witnesses" Acts 1:1-11
- Power to be Godly leaders Acts 1:12-26
- Power to bring the supernatural into the natural Acts 2:1-13
- Power over rebellion by way of repentance bringing restoration Acts 2:14-41
- Power to devote to "the apostles teaching, fellowship, breaking of bread and prayer" Acts 2:42

"The many signs and wonders performed by the apostles"

- 1) Romans 12:4-8
- Different gifts = same Spirit
- 2) 1 Corinthians 12:4-11

(verses 4-6)

- Different gifts = _____
- Different kinds of service =
- Different working = ______
- Different people = ______

(verses 7-11)

"Now to **each one** the *manifestation* of the Spirit is given for the common good"

- Vs 8 = Message of wisdom; message of knowledge
- Vs 9 = Faith; gift of healing
- Vs 10 = miraculous powers; distinguishing between spirits; speaking in tongues; interpretation of tongues

"Everyone was filled with awe"

Conclusion

1 Corinthians 12:27-31

Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles?

Do all have gifts of healing? Do all interpret? Do all speak in tongues?



TODAY - SEPTEMBER 8, 2024

<u>9:30 AM</u> – WORSHIP <u>10:35 AM</u> – FELLOWSHIP

THANKS TO THOSE SERVING TODAY!

GREETERS/USHERS: Kevin & Konner Maassen

AUDIO: Kevin Rosenboom VIDEO: Ben Harms POWERPOINT: Teresa Harms

KITCHEN: Wanda Slykhuis COOKIES: Jeri Hoogendoorn & Kirstin Huls NURSERY: Marissa Mouw

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Mon Sept 9 – After School Program begins!

<u>Tue Sept 10</u> – Men's Group 5:30 am at Parsonage Women's Group 7 pm at Parsonage Elders' mtg 6:30 pm; Deacons' mtg 7 pm Consistory 8 pm

<u>Wed Sept 11</u> – Happy Patriot's Day! Awana Supper & Registration 5:30 – 7 pm

NEXT SUNDAY – SEPTEMBER 15, 2024

Worship in the Park!

Worship will begin at 10 am in Boyden Park ALL are welcome!! Bring your lawn chairs!! Picnic lunch after worship! Feel uneasy about sharing the Gospel with those who don't know God? Yet, you and your good news for others are so important! **Everyday-Ambassadors Practicum** of New Roots Ministry in Sioux Falls is a 5-hour, fun workshop during which we learn, are well-equipped, and experience having spiritual conversations. You will gain an "I can do that" feeling, with carryover to interactions with acquaintances. Our last session of this year is <u>Sat., Sept. 28, 9AM---2PM</u>. To sign-up, text (605)376-6330,

email <u>sfnewroots@gmail.com</u>, or visit <u>www.sfnewroots.com/our-</u> <u>ministries</u>, to learn more.

SHARE Group for widows and widowers will meet Thurs, Sept 19, at 11:30 AM. We will meet at the Hull Pizza Ranch.

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

2024 Consistory Executive Committee

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