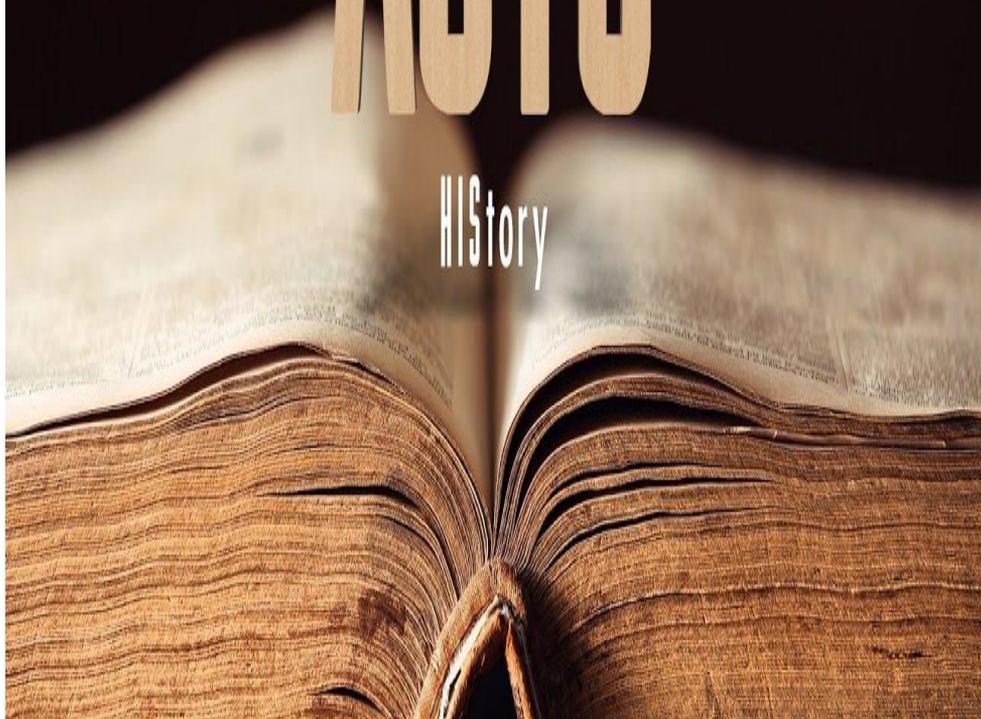


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**FIRST REFORMED CHURCH  
901 Pleasant St. Boyden, IA  
Pastor Heath De Jong  
January 19, 2025**

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

**PRAYER AND PRAISE**

**Congratulations** to Jonathan Beek for making the Dean's list at Augustana College in Sioux Falls, SD! Proud grandpa is John Beek. Way to go Jonathan!!

**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. Sunday School for kids is at the Boyden United Presbyterian Church at 10:30 am (or following the worship service.) For the adults, you can meet after the service in the room off the sanctuary.

**In your mailboxes this morning,** you will find a couple things that need your attention. First, your 2024 donation letter - this is your acknowledgement for tax purposes. Second, there is a letter from Pastor Jeremy Winter of St. John Lutheran Church seeking individuals to volunteer to be on a multi-congregational disaster response team in our area. If you are interested, please sign up on the sheets found in the basement or the south entrance. We will then get your information to the individuals listed in the letter. If you have any questions about either of these documents, please visit with Teresa H.

**Ladies' Daytime Bible Study!** We are looking to start anew a daytime ladies' Bible study. If anyone is interested in being a part of this group, please visit with Teresa H or LuEtta H. Days and times are pending depending on the interest of the group.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Secret Sisters!** There's still time to get your questionnaire in for this ministry! Talk to Wendy DJ or Teresa H for more info!

**2025 Directory!** Teresa is updating the directory with the goal of getting it out to you by the end of January. If you have any changes to your contact info (address, cell phone, email), please get it to Teresa asap! If you have a picture you'd like for her to use, please email it to her at [tharms@frcboyden.com](mailto:tharms@frcboyden.com). There will also be changes made to the work groups this year. Please make note of these when you get the completed directory. If you have any questions, please talk to Teresa.

**Boyden Fire Auxiliary Soup & Pie Supper** is Sat, Jan 25 from 5-7 pm at the Demco Center. The Soups on the menu are chili, vegetable beef, chicken noodle & pea soup. Taverns and hotdogs will also be served. MORE pie donations are NEEDED! Please talk to a current member of the fire dept and/or auxiliary if you can donate a pie or dessert.

**Tri-State Teens Encounter Christ (TEC)** is accepting applications for the upcoming weekend at the New Life Church in Sioux Center. TEC is an interdenominational three-day Christian retreat designed to help high schoolers learn more about their faith and their community. The next TEC is February 14-16. If you would like to learn more about TEC or register, please visit [www.TriStateTEC.org](http://www.TriStateTEC.org) or email [TriStateTEC@gmail.com](mailto:TriStateTEC@gmail.com). The cost is \$50 and includes a t-shirt & other special gifts. Scholarships are available upon request. *Are you an adult but still want to be involved?* We are also accepting applications for adults over 21 to join our team for the weekend and help these students experience Jesus!

**Save the Dates!** Guiding Star Siouxland's Annual Fundraising Gala will be held Friday, March 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm at Terrace View Event Center in Sioux Center. Awakening Grace's 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala Dinner will be Friday, April 11<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm at Prairie Winds Event Center in Orange City.

**Bible verse for the month of January** – "Whether you turn to the right or to the left, your ears will hear a voice behind you saying, 'This is the way; walk in it.'" Isaiah 30:21

**Sermon Title:** "History is just a story unless you learn from it!"

**Scripture Text:** Acts 7

**One Big Idea:** Hebrews 12:11 NIV

"No discipline seems pleasant at the time, but painful. Later on, however, it produces a harvest of righteousness and peace for those who have been trained by it."

**"History is just a story"**

**Acts 7:1-47**

It's not about Abraham.....It's about the God of Abraham

Discipline of \_\_\_\_\_

It's not about Joseph.....It's about the God of Joseph

Discipline of \_\_\_\_\_

Its not about Moses.....Its about the God of Moses

Discipline of \_\_\_\_\_

**"Unless you learn from it"**

**Acts 7:48-60**

It's not about you.....It's about the God who made you

Discipline of \_\_\_\_\_

**Ungodly disciplines:**

Stiff necks

Uncircumcised hearts & ears

Resisting the Holy Spirit

Persecuting prophets

Killing those bringing Good News

Disobedient to the Law

Furious & gnashing your teeth

**Discipline of faith:**

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3)

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**TODAY – JANUARY 19, 2025**

9:30 AM – WORSHIP

10:35 AM – FELLOWSHIP

10:30/10:45 AM – SUNDAY SCHOOL

**THANKS TO THOSE SERVING TODAY!**

**GREETERS/USHERS:** Chris Diekevers & Ken Hoogendoorn

**AUDIO:** Andrew Neuman

**VIDEO:** Jeff Neuman

**POWERPOINT:** Teresa Harms

**KITCHEN:** Sheryl Warntjes

**COOKIES:** Sheryl Warntjes & Sarah Breems-Diekevers

**NURSERY:** Marissa Mouw

**CHILDREN IN WORSHIP:** Sarah, Ella & Colton Diekevers

**OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK**

Mon Jan 20 – Happy Martin Luther King Jr Day!!

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Tue Jan 21 – Men's Group 5:30 am

Evening Ladies' Group 7 pm

Wed Jan 22 – Awana – PJs Night!!!

6pm Supper / 6:30-8 pm Program

**NEXT SUNDAY – JANUARY 26, 2025**

Worship – 9:30 am

Fellowship – 10:35 am

Sunday School – 10:30/10:45 am

Kitchen – Kayla Rosenboom

Cookies – Kayla Rosenboom & Shirley Baartman

Nursery – Lisa Nelson

Children in Worship – Marissa, Collin & Aubrey Mouw

**Sanctity of Human Life Sunday is today!** Guiding Star Siouxland is working to revolutionize Women's healthcare thru helping women to understand, embrace and love how they were created! They work to reduce fear surrounding fertility, pregnancy, birth, breastfeeding, postpartum and motherhood. Their organization is dedicated to providing wholistic care to any woman, regardless of her status or circumstances surrounding her pregnancy. Ways you can help is to join their board of directors or volunteer by emailing [info@guidingstarsiouxland.org](mailto:info@guidingstarsiouxland.org) thru donations that can be sent to 111 Arizona Ave NW, Orange City IA 51041; following them and sharing posts on Facebook & Instagram @guidingstarsiouxland; and pray for them and the women they serve!

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

### **2025 Consistory Executive Committee**

Vice President – Roger Nelson  
Clerk – Rod Bolkema  
Assistant Clerk – Kevin Rosenboom  
Chair of Deacons – Nic Rosenboom  
Treasurer – Paul Moret  
Assistant Treasurer – Colin Bolkema  
Building & Grounds – Jon Huls & David Mouw  
Music & Worship – Kathy Ver Meer  
Community Impact –  
Joy –  
Discipleship –

#### **2025 Elders**

Rod Bolkema ('26)  
Roger Nelson ('26)  
Kevin Rosenboom ('25)  
Carla Starkenburg ('27)  
Alan Warntjes ('27)

#### **2025 Deacons**

Colin Bolkema ('27)  
Jon Huls ('27)  
Paul Moret ('25)  
David Mouw ('26)  
Nic Rosenboom ('25)

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