

“BLESSED BE THE LORD, who has not  
left you this day without a REDEEMER”

# RUTH



**FIRST REFORMED CHURCH**  
**901 Pleasant St. Boyden, IA**  
**Pastor Heath De Jong**  
**April 19, 2026**

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

*We welcome back Rev. Dr. John Hartog III and thank him  
for leading us in worship!*

Prelude **Leila Moret**  
Welcome & Announcements

**SINGING & READING**

\*Call to Worship **Psalm 95:1-2 (#599-2)**  
\*Pastoral Prayer  
\***Hymn #2 "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"**  
**Hymn #46 "God Leads Us Along"**  
**Hymn #56 "Day by Day"**  
Offering & Prayer  
**Responsive Reading #686 "The Good Samaritan"**  
**Chorus #41 "God Is So Good"**  
**Hymn #47 "God Will Take Care of You"**  
\***Hymn #43 "Great Is Their Faithfulness"**  
Children in Worship dismissed

**PREACHING**

Sermon – **"Blessed by the LORD"**  
Scripture – **Ruth 2:14-23** (pg 413)

**YIELDING & BLESSING**

Prayer of Consecration  
\***Chorus #55 "Day by Day – A Prayer"**  
\*Benediction **Numbers 6:24-26 (#613-1)**  
\***Chorus #313 "Lord, Lay Some Soul Upon My Heart"**  
\*Postlude

(\*those who are able please stand)

## TODAY – APRIL 19, 2026

9:30 AM – WORSHIP

9:35 AM – FELLOWSHIP

9:45 AM – SUNDAY SCHOOL

## THANKS TO THOSE SERVING TODAY!

**USHERS:** Ken Hoogendoorn & Jeff Neuman

**AUDIO:** Jeff Neuman

**VIDEO:** Cheyenne Neuman

**POWERPOINT:** Teresa Harms

**KITCHEN:** Lisa Nelson

**COOKIES:** Sarah Breems-Diekevers & Kayla Rosenboom

**NURSERY:** Sarah Breems-Diekevers

**CHILDREN IN WORSHIP:** Kayla Rosenboom  
Collin & Aubrey Mouw

## OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Mon Apr 20 – Innerglow news due!

Tue Apr 21 – Men's Group 5:30 am  
Evening Ladies 7 pm

Wed Apr 22 – Happy Earth Day!

## NEXT SUNDAY – APRIL 26, 2026

Worship – 9:30 am

Fellowship – 10:35 am

Sunday School – 10:45 am

Kitchen – Ranae Kleinwolverink

Cookies – Ranae Kleinwolverink & Shirley Baartman

Nursery – Shauna & Cheyenne Neuman

Children in Worship – **LAST DAY & PROGRAM!**

Kaitlyn Rosenboom & Ashley Bolkema

## **PRAYER AND PRAISE**

**Thank you** to Pastor Heath and Wendy for the meal that they shared on Maundy Thursday. Also, thanks to the Joy and Worship committees for planning, organizing and serving the breakfast on Easter Sunday prior to the worship service. Thanks to all who so willingly contributed items to make the breakfast a delicious one that was enjoyed by many!! The Consistory

**On behalf of the consistory,** we would like to express our thanks to all who took the time to attend the recent congregational meeting on April 6<sup>th</sup>. There is lots of work to be done in determining our denominational future. You have allowed us to get an idea of where this might lead us. There are many discussions to be had, plans to be made, documents to get in order – no matter where this leads us. We humbly ask that you keep us in your prayers as we navigate this issue in the weeks ahead as we seek to pursue what God's plan is for Boyden FRC. We will do our best to keep you, the congregation, informed; as well as when there will be needed congregational meetings in the process. Again thank you and God bless you all!  
The Consistory of Boyden FRC

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Good Morning!** We are delighted you are joining us this morning! Nursery services are available during worship in the church basement. Children-in-Worship will begin prior to the sermon. Please watch for the slide on this morning's Powerpoint. After worship, please join us in the basement or the south entrance for a time of coffee and fellowship. Sunday School for the children meets in the church basement.

**Ushers** are still needed for a few months in the upcoming year. There is one usher needed for July, August and December. Please visit with Deacon Dave Mouw if you are able to fill one of these needs. Thank you!!

**Wanted!** More people to help in the back of the Sanctuary Sun. mornings-we will train you! Talk to Teresa H for more info!

**Bible verse for April** – "I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. Before long, the world will not see Me anymore, but you will see Me. Because I live, you also will live."  
John 14:18-19

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Children in Worship!** The last day of the season is next Sunday! The children have been learning some songs and will be starting off the worship service with a program! Parents please bring your children to the fellowship basement next Sunday morning when you arrive. A special thank you to all of those who helped make this ministry possible, especially to Kaitlyn Rosenboom and Marissa Mouw. We can't wait to hear the children praise the Lord in song!!

**Ladies!** Make plans to attend Bible League's Spring Salad Luncheon with your friends on Mon May 4 at Trinity Reformed Church in Orange City (201 St. Paul Avenue SE). Please bring one salad for every four ladies in your group. The Luncheon begins at 11:30 AM; featured speakers will represent the Legacy Thrift and Hands Around The World ministries. Updates from BLI will be given, and a freewill donation will be received. Join us for this FUN event!



### **Boyden Vacation Bible School!**

**Mark Your Calendars!**

**Registration will start in May!**

**Date: August 3-6, 2026**

**St. John Lutheran Church  
Boyden, IA**

**All kids welcome ages  
4 years thru 6<sup>th</sup> grade**

**12:30 - 5 pm**

## **MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Sioux Cty Oratorio Chorus** – Handel's *Messiah* – Sat Apr 25<sup>th</sup>  
7:30 pm in Christ Chapel at Northwestern College – Tickets are  
\$15 in advance, \$20 at the door, \$5 for students

**New Roots Ministry** – Bible reflection on immigration with  
founder Carl Bruxvoort and good eats! – May 9, 9-11:30 am –  
Empower Campus' Community Room, Sioux Falls

**Inspiration Hills** Volunteer Work Days – May 1 & 2 – Bingo  
fundraiser May 1 after cleanup - [www.inspirationhills.com](http://www.inspirationhills.com)

**Risefest** – June 12 & 13 – [risefestiowa.com](http://risefestiowa.com)

**Boyden Bash** – June 25-28 – So many good & fun things for  
the whole family! – Community Worship Sun June 28<sup>th</sup>

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

### **2026 Consistory Executive Committee**

Vice President – Roger Nelson

Clerk – Carla Starkenburg

Assistant Clerk – Alan Warntjes

Chair of Deacons – David Mouw

Treasurer – Colin Bolkema

Assistant Treasurer – Adam Schafer

Building & Grounds – Jon Huls & Rick Polacek

Music & Worship – Kathy Ver Meer

Community Impact – Wendy De Jong & Nic Rosenboom

Discipleship – Kaitlyn Rosenboom & Marissa Mouw

#### **2026 Elders**

Rod Bolkema ('26)

Josh Mouw ('28)

Roger Nelson ('26)

Carla Starkenburg ('27)

Alan Warntjes ('27)

#### **2026 Deacons**

Colin Bolkema ('27)

Jon Huls ('27)

David Mouw ('26)

Rick Polacek ('28)

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