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★ ONE GOD, ★
= 250 YEARS =**

**FIRST REFORMED CHURCH
901 Pleasant St. Boyden, IA
Pastor Heath De Jong
July 5, 2026**

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

We welcome Elder Josh Mouw and thank him for leading us in worship this morning!

Prelude **Leila Moret**

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship **Psalm 92:1-8** (unison), **12-15**

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Hymn #294 "Set My Soul Afire"

Hymn #46 "God Leads Us Along"

Hymn #357 "Jesus Loves Even Me"

Offertory Hymn #473 "Victory In Jesus"

(the general and mission offerings will be received)

Offertory Prayer and Invitational Prayer

Sermon Title: **"Light, Love and the Pursuit of Happiness"**

Scripture Text: **Mark 9:33-37** (pg 1569)

Psalm 112 (pg 952)

1 John 2:15-17 (pg 1900)

Closing Prayer

Exhortation to Self-Examination

Blessing

Hymn 294 "Set My Soul Afire" vs 1

Postlude



WELCOME



TODAY – JULY 5, 2026

9:30 AM – WORSHIP

9:35 AM – FELLOWSHIP

THANKS TO THOSE SERVING TODAY!

USHERS: Casey Kooiker & Sam Wiertzema

AUDIO: Jeff Neuman

VIDEO: Shauna Neuman

POWERPOINT: Teresa Harms

KITCHEN: Ranae Kleinwolterink

COOKIES: Ranae Kleinwolterink & Sarah Breems-Diekevers

NURSERY: Kirstin Huls

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

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

NEXT SUNDAY – JULY 12, 2026

Worship – 9:30 am

Holy Communion

Fellowship – 10:35 am

Kitchen – Wanda Slykhuis

Cookies – Wanda Slykhuis & Holly Starkenburg

Nursery – Shauna & Cheyenne Neuman

Outline
"Light, Love and the Pursuit of Happiness"

***Light**

Mark 9:33-37

1 John 1:5

John 8:12

Deuteronomy 8:3

***Love**

Psalm 112

1 John 4:8

1 John 3:16-17

Luke 6:27-36

***Joy**

1 John 1:4

Mark 10:45

Acts 20:35

John 15:1-17

***Change = Jesus**

PRAYER AND PRAISE

We thank Elder Josh Mouw for leading us in worship this morning! We are blessed by his servant leadership and guiding us in giving God honor and glory!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Good Morning! We are delighted you are joining 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.

Next Sunday, God willing, we will be celebrating the sacrament of Holy Communion. In preparation, please go to God in prayer this week, confessing your sins and your confidence in God's forgiveness. Ask God for a sense of hope as we eat the bread and drink the cup next Sunday.

Flowers! There are sign-up sheets in the South entrance for taking turns to water the flowerpots outside the church. Please consider volunteering for a week or more to check the pots daily and water as needed. Thank you in advance to everyone who helps! If you have any questions, please contact Kathy VM.

VBS at St John Lutheran Church – Aug 3-6 – Volunteers are needed to help with snacks/lunch, to be present and help shepherd the kids a night (or 2 😊), and people willing to house a couple of the counselors – contact Marci Bergstrom at 605-261-8986 or email rodmarci@yahoo.com

Heart & Soles Love INC Sioux County - In the back of the sanctuary is a "clothesline" with shoe cut-outs. You are asked to take a cut-out (or 2 😊), purchase the item listed and return them to the church by Sunday, July 26th. You can also use the QR code on the cut-outs to purchase the items from Love INC's Amazon wish list. Pink shoes for girls – blue shoes for boys – green shoes for monetary donations. If you have any questions talk to Teresa H. Thank you for your support!!

Bible verse for July – "... if My people, who are called by My name, will humble themselves and pray and seek My face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land." 2 Chronicles 7:14

MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sioux County Fair Praise & Worship – Sun July 12th 7 pm
– featuring various Sioux County citizens and a patriotic segment honoring our veterans as well as the nation's 250th – Seating available under an open tent or bring your lawn chairs – Golf carts will be present to help those with mobility issues – Veteran's get free ice cream!!

SHARE Group for widow(er)s – Thur July 16th 11:30 am at Hull Pizza Ranch

ZoeCare (formerly known as Guiding Star) & Granville Knights of Columbus – 5K Fun Run & 1 Mile Family Walk – Aug 15th 9 am – Joseph's Parish, Granville – Registration due by July 24th – kaleigh@zoecarepregnancy.org or 712-266-3282

To begin a prayer chain – You can call Teresa Harms/church office at 725-2366 or email tharms@frcboyden.com.

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

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)

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