

THE BOOK
OF
JAMES

**FIRST REFORMED CHURCH
901 Pleasant St. Boyden, IA
Pastor Heath De Jong
August 2, 2026**

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

Prelude **Kathy Ver Meer**

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship **#386 "In His Image"**

Hymn #389 "More About Jesus"

(the general and mission offerings will be received)

Praise Song "Oceans" (video)

Hymn #391 "Aspiration Canon"

Sermon Title: **"A Beautifully Crafted Punch in the Gut!"**

Scripture Text: **James 1:1-4** (pg 1880)

Prayers of the People

Blessing of God's People

Parting Song #394 "In My Life Lord, Be Glorified"

Postlude





TODAY – AUGUST 2, 2026

9:30 AM – WORSHIP
9:35 AM – FELLOWSHIP

THANKS TO THOSE SERVING TODAY!

USHERS: Wanda Slykhuis & Alan Warntjes

AUDIO: Shauna Neuman

VIDEO: Cheyenne Neuman

POWERPOINT: Jeff Neuman

KITCHEN: Ranae Kleinwolterink

COOKIES: Carla Starkenburg & Joan Wiertzema

NURSERY: Kirstin Huls

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Pastor Heath will be gone this week for continuing education.
Talk to Roger Nelson and/or a consistory member if any concerns
should arise in his absence.

Mon Aug 3-Thu Aug 6 – VBS at St. John Lutheran Church

Tue Aug 4 – Men's Group 5:30 am

NEXT SUNDAY – AUGUST 9, 2026

***We are pleased to have Elder Jeff Neuman leading
us in worship!***

Worship OUTSIDE! – 9:30 am

Fellowship – 10:35 am

Kitchen – Ranae Kleinwolterink

Cookies – Shauna Neuman & Kathy Ver Meer

Nursery – Kayla Rosenboom

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I. Introduction

“James focuses on getting believers to consistently live out the faith they proclaim”

“The book of James is intensely practical”

II. Meat-n-potatoes

- “Dear brothers and sisters”

- “When trouble comes your way”

- “Let it be an opportunity for joy”

- “For when your faith is tested”

- “Your endurance has a chance to grow”

- “So let it grow!”

- “For when your endurance is fully developed”

- “You will be strong in character”

- “And ready for anything”

III. Conclusion

1 + 2 = 3 for Jesus.....what about for you??
What about Boyden FRC??

What about for me??

PRAYER AND PRAISE

We lift up in prayer all those who are dealing with medical issues, mental health concerns and new medications. May they be blessed by our healing Father in heaven.

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. Adults are invited to meet in the room off of the sanctuary after the worship service to continue a discussion about the message.

The Consistory of FRC is planning an informational congregational meeting that will take place on Mon, Aug 10, at 7 pm in the fellowship hall. Efforts are being made to be transparent with you the congregation in keeping you informed about some discussions and decisions that have recently taken place. We encourage you to attend if you are able. Please keep us as well as our church as a whole in your prayers.

Next Sunday, August 9th, we will be worshiping outside in front of the church (weather permitting). We also are pleased to have Elder Jeff Neuman leading us in worship and music will feature the Backyard Singers! Church will still start at 9:30 am. There will be no volunteers in the nursery, but of course families are welcome to use it! Fellowship after worship will be inside as usual. So bring your lawn chairs! If the weather doesn't cooperate, we'll move back inside. See you then!

The LifeWise Academy Boyden and Hull classrooms are looking for people to share God's love and who are willing to give their time to help students grow in their faith. Please consider volunteering 1 time every 4-6 weeks. Hours at our Boyden (elementary classroom) are Tues 11:30-3:30 and Thurs 11:30-2:30. Jr. High session in Hull is 11:30-1:15 on Wed. Please contact Kelley Crawford 712-548-7947 or Tina Koerselman 712-540-4117 if interested or if you have any questions.

Bible verse for August – "The LORD your God is with you, He is mighty to save. He will take great delight in you, He will quiet you with His love, He will rejoice over you with singing."
Zephaniah 3:17

More Announcements

Boyden American Legion and Auxiliary meeting - Mon, Aug 3 at 6:30 pm. at the Legion Building

Boyden Community Blood Drive - Fri, Aug 7th from 1-5:30 pm. The bus will be at 714 Main St.

ZoeCare (formerly Guiding Star) & Granville Knights of Columbus – 5K Fun Run & 1 Mile Family Walk – Aug 15th 9 am – Joseph's Parish, Granville

Inspiration Hills – Registration is open for the Warrior Run – Sat Sept 12 – Register by August 28 and save \$10 & get a free event T-shirt! – Early bird pricing is \$25 for 5K Run and \$20 for 1 Mile Fun Run www.inspirationhills.com

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)

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