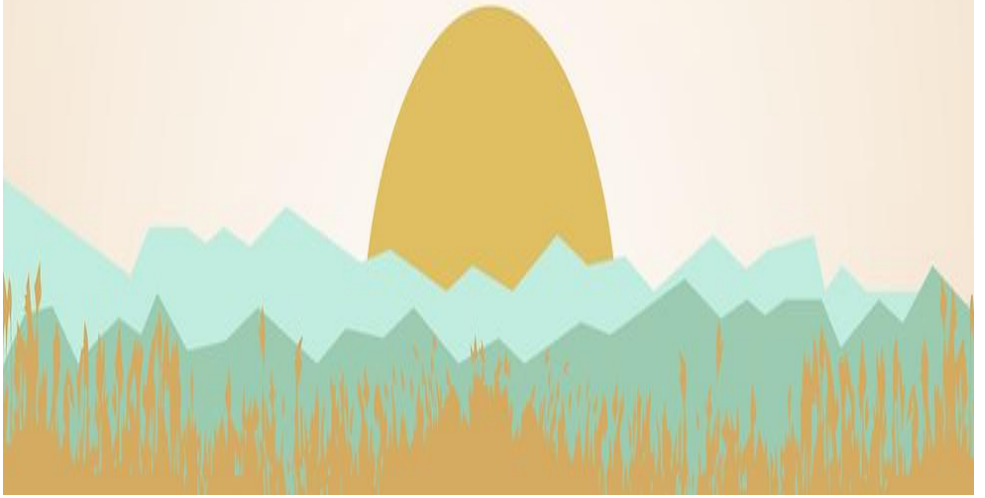
RUTH

And the Surprising Sweetness of God's Redemption



FIRST REFORMED CHURCH
901 Pleasant St. Boyden, IA
Pastor Heath De Jong
November 15, 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 100:1-3**
*Pastoral Prayer
Hymn #490 "I Am His, and He Is Mine"
Chorus #489 "Rejoice in the Lord Always"
Hymn #494 "Like a River Glorious"
Offering & Prayer
Responsive Reading **#491 "Perfect Peace"**
Hymn #495 "Heaven Came Down"
Hymn #496 "He Hideth My Soul"
***Hymn #493 "It Is Well with My Soul"**

PREACHING

Sermon – **"Well Known in Israel"**
Scripture – **Ruth 4:11-22** (pg 416)

YIELDING & BLESSING

Prayer of Consecration
***Chorus #313 "Lord, Lay Some Soul upon My Heart"**
*Benediction **Jude 24-25**
Postlude

(*those who are able please stand)



TODAY – NOVEMBER 15, 2026

9:30 AM – WORSHIP
10:35 AM – FELLOWSHIP

THANKS TO THOSE SERVING TODAY!

USHERS: Mike Kooiker & Mark Warntjes

AUDIO: Jeff Neuman
VIDEO: Shauna Neuman
POWERPOINT: Teresa Harms

KITCHEN: Ranae Kleinwolterink
COOKIES: Ashley Bolkema & Kaitlyn Rosenboom

NURSERY: Sarah Breems-Diekevers

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Tue Nov 17 – Men's Group 5:30 am

Wed Nov 18 – Awana/Youth Group
6:30 – 8 pm
Awana at FRC / Youth Group at UPC

NEXT SUNDAY – NOVEMBER 22, 2026

We welcome Brian Vander Vliet to lead us in worship!
Worship – 9:30 am
Fellowship – 10:35 am

Kitchen – Ranae Kleinwolterink
Cookies – Shayla Schmith & Kirstin Huls
Nursery – Shauna Neuman

Boyden's

COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

"American Christmas"

KIDS CRAFTS • VISIT FROM SANTA • CHRISTMAS RAFFLE • ADULT & KIDS COLORING CONTEST • TABLE GAMES • AND MORE!

MONDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2026
5:00-7:00PM
DEMCO COMMUNITY CENTER

Vote for your favorite trees & chili!

(WINNERS ANNOUNCED @ 6:45PM)



Chili Bash

SERVING CHILI, TAVERN, HOTDOGS, CINNAMON ROLLS AND A DRINK



FREEWILL DONATION

PROCEEDS WILL GO TOWARDS THE BOYDEN BASH 2027

Contact Jodi (712)-725-2386 to register trees
Contact Alison (712)-348-6001 to register chili

DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 30

BOYDEN'S CHILI Bash!

MONDAY, DECEMBER 7 at the DEMCO CENTER

SERVING FROM 5-6:30PM

FREEWILL DONATION
PROCEEDS TOWARDS BOYDEN BASH 2027

3 DIVISIONS FOR CHILI!

REGULAR | CHICKEN | SPICY

Register your chili in one of the 3 categories!

ALSO LOOKING FOR **CINNAMON ROLL DONATIONS!**

WE WILL BE SERVING



Contact **ALISON (712-348-6001)** *to register/donate!*

PRAYER AND PRAISE

Please be in prayer for those who have accepted the nominations for the 2027 consistory – Nominated for elder are Steve Kleinwolterink, Kathy Ver Meer and Mark Warntjes; nominated for deacon are Casey Kooiker and Heath Warntjes. We thank you for your willingness to serve. The congregational meeting will be held on Monday, Nov 30th at 7 pm.

Please be in prayer in preparation for our annual congregation meeting on Mon, Nov 30th. Please pray that we always seek to follow our Holy Father's ways and our hearts are open to His will.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Christmas Tree Decorating! Thanksgiving is nearly here and Advent will follow soon. We are gathering Mon eve, Nov. 23 at 6:30 to decorate the Christmas tree in preparation for Advent and the Christmas season. Anyone is welcome to help and there will be some experienced decorators there to guide you. The more the merrier and the quicker we're done! Hope to see you there!

A Thanksgiving Eve service is being planned for Weds Nov 25th at 6:30 pm. We will gather in the fellowship hall where a light supper of cornbread and a variety of soups will be served. All are welcome to join us!

St John's Lutheran Soup & Pie Supper – You are invited to attend this event that will be held on Sat Nov 21st from 5pm-7:30 pm. Soup, taverns, and delicious desserts will be served. A freewill offering for St John's Youth Group will be collected.

LifeWise Academy Boyden and Hull is looking for more volunteers for our JH classroom in Hull on Wednesdays from 11:30-1:15. This is a rotating schedule, every 4-8 weeks. Even if you are only able to come a portion of that time we would love to have you! If you feel a call to be the hands and feet of Jesus in this way or have any questions about volunteering please contact Tina Koerselman(712-540-4117).

Bible verse for November – "You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God."
2 Corinthians 9:11

MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARE Group for widow(er)s – Thu Nov 19th 11:30 am at Hull Pizza Ranch

RISE with Rob & Friends – with Micah Tyler, Jordan Feliz & Patrick Mayberry – Thu Nov 19th thru Sun Nov 22nd – www.riseministries.com

Tri-State TEC #20 – Nov 20-22 at Maurice Reformed Church – www.TriStateTEC.org

Hull Historical Society "A Christmas Carol" – Sat Dec 5th, 2:30 pm, Hull FRC – Tickets $30 or $200 for table of 8 – reservations needed – 712-439-6770

To start a prayer chain, contact Teresa Harms at the church at 712-725-2366 or cell phone 605-951-7883. You can email her at 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)

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