

A vibrant mosaic artwork. The central focus is a dark chalice with a white cross on its stem, resting on a brown base. To the left, a large red semi-circle represents a sun or moon, with a white dove in flight above it. The background is filled with a dense pattern of colorful, irregular mosaic tiles in shades of blue, green, yellow, orange, and purple. The entire scene is framed by a border of light yellow and white tiles.

**Ordination &
Installation
Communion**

**FIRST REFORMED CHURCH
901 Pleasant St. Boyden, IA
Pastor Heath De Jong
January 5, 2025**

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

PRAYER AND PRAISE

Thank you to everyone who helped decorate for Christmas and with the takedown. Your attention to making our church building look cared-for and welcoming is greatly appreciated!

This new year, we pray that God will bless you in every area of your life. May the new year see you trusting and following God and actively doing your part in being a thriving community church!

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.

If you are worshipping with us today as a visitor, we invite you to participate with us in the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper if you believe in your heart that Jesus is your Lord and Savior and if you are in good and regular standing in your home congregation.

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.

Awana news! Boyden Awana will be back in full swing on Wednesday January 8th! Supper is at 6 pm. The program runs from 6:30 thru 8 pm. It is NEVER too late to join Awana!! Talk to a volunteer to learn how this program can be a blessing to you and everyone involved!!

Boyden Fire Auxiliary Soup & Pie Supper! It will be held on 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. Pie donations are welcome! Please talk to a current member of the fire dept and/or auxiliary if you wish to donate a pie.

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Inspiration Hills News – The Single Moms’ Retreat will be held Jan 31 – Feb 2nd. Deadline for registration is Jan 17th. 4th thru 6th Grades Winter Retreat will be held Feb 14-16. Registration deadline is Jan 24th. When there’s snow, the sledding hill will be open and a broom ball court is almost ready! Open positions they are looking to hire for include a Kitchen Manager and Housekeeping Assistant. The Kitchen Manager job is full-time with benefits. The housekeeping position has flexible hours and can work with your schedule. They also have a wish list for needed items. You can check all this out at www.inspirationhills.org.

The Sioux County Oratorio Chorus will begin rehearsals soon and all are welcome to sing. This season we will be teaming up with the Northwest Iowa Symphony Orchestra to present Brahms' *Requiem* on April 15, 2025, with guest conductor, Dr. Ryan Smit. Rehearsals are held on Tuesdays in the Dordt University choir room beginning January 14 at 7:30 pm. Please contact Mike Ochsner mkchsnr@gmail.com with any questions. We look forward to making music with you in this new year!

Volunteers needed for Love INC classes – If you have a heart for helping others, we have opportunities for you to give of your time and talents! The main needs are childcare volunteers and Faith & Finances mentors. Training is offered. Please call the Love INC office at 712-476-5990 to find out more ways to serve your community. Our next class session begins 1/28/25.

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

welcome
let's worship together



TODAY – JANUARY 5, 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: Lisa Nelson

COOKIES: Nel Warntjes & Jeri Hoogendoorn

NURSERY: Sarah Breems-Diekevers

CHILDREN IN WORSHIP: Kaitlyn Rosenboom
Ashley Bolkema

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

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

Wed Jan 8 – Awana
6pm Supper / 6:30-8 pm Program

NEXT SUNDAY – JANUARY 12, 2025

We welcome back Rev. Dr. John Hartog III!

Worship – 9:30 am
Fellowship – 10:35 am
No Sunday School

Kitchen – Wanda Slykhuis
Cookies – Wanda Slykhuis & Holly Starkenburg
Nursery – Kirstin Huls

SHARE Group for widows and widowers will meet, Thur, Jan 16th at 11:30 AM. We will meet at the Hull Pizza Ranch.

Community Health Partners, along with all Sioux County healthcare systems, are partnering to conduct a Community Health Assessment survey until January 31, 2025. You can take the survey at <https://siouxcountychp.org/>. If you have any questions or would like more information, you may email chp@siouxcountychp.org. The survey is confidential and will take about 15 minutes to complete. Your voice matters!

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

2025 Elders

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

2025 Deacons

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Jon Huls ('27)
Paul Moret ('25)
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