



MAY, 2019

*CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATES~*

*Class of 2019* 

- **Chase Arp** plans to enter the workforce after graduation.
- **Levi Horstman** will be attending Southeast Technical Institute for Law Enforcement.
- **Bill Koedam** plans on driving truck for Van Zee Enterprises.
- **Rylie Lenz** will be attending Morningside to major in Elementary Education.
- **Taylor Moser** plans on attending the University of South Dakota to pursue a degree in nursing.
- **Dawson Rozeboom** leaves on May 21 for boot camp with the Army National Guard at Ft Leonard Wood, MO. After his graduation from boot camp, he will stay there for his AIT training. He is planning to attend Lake Area Tech afterwards.
- **Trevor Van Middendorp** will be attending SDSU for Animal Science.
- **Emily Van Regenmorter** will be working towards a degree in pastry arts.
- **Shaela Van Wyk** will be attending the University of Sioux Falls to major in Secondary English Education.
- **Rebecca Van Regenmorter** graduated from SDSU in Brookings on May 4 with a degree in agronomy. She plans to further her education through the American Brewers Guild.



- 2 - Carter Post
- 4 - Breanna Faber
- 5 - Clarence Van't Hul
- 6 - Justine Blom
- 6 - Chad Rozeboom
- 7 - Sherry Carolan
- 8 - Breiya Van Zee
- 8 - Brynli Van Zee
- 9 - Quin Horstman
- 9 - Trenton Rozeboom
- 9 - Tara Van Ginkel
- 10 - Cullen Berentschot
- 12 - Brexten Van Zee
- 13 - Carlee Dieters
- 13 - Janet Feikema
- 14 - Lorraine Van Geest
- 14 - Jody Van Regenmorter
- 15 - Tate Halma
- 15 - Trevor Van Middendorp
- 16 - Ashlynn Rozeboom
- 18 - Phil Brouwer
- 18 - Dennis Scholten
- 19 - Payton Dieters
- 19 - Kamara Koedam
- 19 - Kendra Van Regenmorter
- 20 - Emmitt Fleshman
- 22 - Owen Breuer
- 23 - Kira Spaans
- 23 - Merle Tilstra
- 24 - Karisa Faber
- 24 - Mason McCarty
- 25 - Trevor Bonestroo
- 25 - Mindi Skiles
- 25 - Tanner Van Middendorp
- 25 - Tyler Van Middendorp
- 26 - Jeremy Brower
- 26 - Lisa Wheeler
- 28 - Ryan Halma
- 28 - Taylor Heynen
- 29 - Taya Skiles
- 30 - Mark Dieters
- 30 - Kenny Scholten
- 30 - Patrick Scholten
- 30 - Emily Van Regenmorter
- 30 - Chenoa Vande Stouwe
- 31 - Jean Berg
- 31 - Bailee Halma



Congratulations to ~

Kevin & Sarah Krukpe  
in the birth of a son,  
Kasen David.  
Congratulations to  
Kasen's grandparents,  
Harley & Marilyn  
Berentschot.



*Congratulations to*  
Mark Koedam & Ashley Brozik  
who were married on April 27  
at  
First Reformed Church



- ❖ Kenny & Aimee Scholten in the passing of Aimee's mother, Kathy Van Anken, of Doon.
- ❖ Denny & Anita Van Veldhuizen in the passing of Anita's aunt, Cathy Grotewold, of Larchwood.

# Thank You

**Round Table of Thanks goes to:**

The Praise Team for hosting  
Wednesday night suppers  
*and*

Women's First Ministries for  
hosting the potato bake



MAY 5



Greeters: Phil & Bev Brouwer Organist: Courtnie Fleshman  
Fellowship Cookies provided by Karen Kooima & Brittany Halma  
Healthy snacks provided by Sherry Carolan  
Nursery Caregivers: Dawn Van Beek, Samantha Koedam, Kendra Van Regenmorter  
Children & Worship Leader: Donna  
Banner Bearers: Trenton Rozeboom & Tobey Halma  
Children & Worship Greeters: **Samantha S, Ken D**, Kenny VV, Rachel T, Rylie L  
Special Music: Ken & Eileen Denekas

MAY 12



Greeters: Jeremy & Janelle Brower Organist: Irene Ter Wee  
Fellowship Cookies provided by Mindi Skiles & Samantha Koedam  
Healthy snacks provided by Carolyn Huyser  
Nursery Caregivers: Mariah Van Beek, Ann Rozeboom, Gianna Klarenbeek  
Children & Worship Leader: Eileen  
Banner Bearers: Brexton Van Zee & Tyson Van Veldhuizen  
Children & Worship Greeters: **Janet, Brent VR**, Bev A, Amy H, Caitlyn L  
Special Music: Ed DeWit

MAY 19

**Sunday  
School  
Recitations**

Greeters: Justin & Carrie Brower Organist: Amber Van Essen  
Fellowship Cookies provided by Shirley Addink & Lindsey Van Den Top  
Healthy snacks provided by Bev Arp  
Nursery Caregivers: Melissa Rozeboom, Kayla Koedam, Alexa Van Wyk  
Children & Worship Leader: Jody ~ Banner Bearers: Jayda Berg & Haddie Driesen  
Children & Worship Greeters: **Brent D, Danielle K**, Angie VB, Emily VR  
Special Music: Jody Dieters

MAY 26

Greeters: Kel & Bonnie Brower Organist: Irene Ter Wee  
Fellowship Cookies provided by Aletha Erpenbach & Carrie Dieters  
Healthy snacks provided by Jody Van Regenmorter  
Nursery Caregivers: Gwen Denekas, Jodi Faber, Sydney Huyser  
Special Music: Mark & Carrie Dieters

JUNE 2

Greeters: Jamie & Sherry Carolan Organist: Courtnie Fleshman  
Fellowship Cookies provided by Janet Feikema & Katlyn Van Roekel  
Healthy snacks provided by Lisa Van Regenmorter  
Nursery Caregivers: Barb Hassebroek, Gail Harmelink, Danica Rozeboom  
Special Music: Brent & Beth Driesen

# IMPACT@FirstReformed

Our annual season finale at Thunder Road will be Wednesday, May 8. **Meet at church at 6 p.m.**

Each student will need \$7 for Thunder Road. Oh! And if you want to splurge at DQ afterwards... bring some extra cash!

## IT'S VEGGIE TALES TIME AGAIN!

Children age 3 through 3rd grade are invited the first four Sunday mornings in June to go downstairs and watch a Veggie Tales video during the time Children & Worship would meet. We hope to have at least 2 adults and one or two more volunteers each week to help supervise the children. The Veggie Tales DVD will be ready for you, so all you have to do is push "Play". There is a sign-up sheet by the bulletin board in the entry. Please encourage a friend to volunteer with you for this opportunity to serve the wonderful children in our church!

### Golden Hour Circle

will meet on Tuesday,  
May 21 at 7:15 p.m.

Devotions: Bev A.  
Bible Study (4): Lisa VR  
Hostess: Shirley A.

(This is the last meeting until September)



**First Reformed will be serving at the Banquet on Monday, May 13th.**

There will be a sign-up sheet for workers. For the afternoon starting at 2:00, we need 6 to 8 volunteers to help prepare the meal. Starting at 5:15, we will need 36 volunteers to help serve the meal. You must be 12 years of age or older, unless accompanied by an adult. No sandals, no tank tops, no short shorts. All are welcome to be the hands and feet of Jesus. Never been to the Banquet before? Call a friend and come join us, you will be glad you did!

## WEST LYON COMMUNITY VBS!

**What:** West Lyon Community Vacation Bible School

**When:** June 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup>

**Who:** All kids entering preschool - 5<sup>th</sup> grade

**Where:** Bethlehem Lutheran Church

**Time:** 5:30 pm – 8:30 pm

- ~ Follow our Facebook page "West Lyon Community VBS" for registration, volunteer opportunities, and updates
- ~ Any questions? Talk to Beth Driesen or Teresa Kerkvliet, this year's co-leaders.



**VBS Roar 2019**

Follow our Facebook page "West Lyon Community VBS" for updates and registration information or talk to Beth Driesen.

**Let's get ready to ROAR! at this year's Vacation Bible School!**

### Bread of Life Food Giveaway

The next Bread of Life Food Giveaway will be from 5:30-6:30 pm on **Wednesday, May 22** at West Lyon Community School. If you would like to volunteer your time and help those in **our community, please join us at 4:30pm to set up**. We are always in need of toiletry items, laundry detergent, and paper products. If you know of someone in need, please bring them out or offer to deliver to them. Don't pass up the opportunity to be the **hands and feet of Jesus**.

Can you believe it? April 1<sup>st</sup> marked one year of service with you, for Him. I was caught off guard by this until I happened to realize Easter's sunrise service and breakfast was my last "first." How'd this happen?! I'll tell you how it happened: God and His people. If you don't know how I got here, there's more to it than the typical apply for job > interview for job > find out if job is offered or not > proceed accordingly. There's an entire story written by hand of God which landed you and I at this place together, and I am grateful for His authorship over it all.

**ONE YEAR  
LATER** the

When I left youth ministry nearly 10 years ago, it was for no other reason than to follow the direction of God. I had great peace giving up something I loved in order to grow in ways I didn't know needed growing and to blindly walk where my Savior was leading.

Where were you, First Inwood, 10 years ago? I wasn't here to know, but I do know these things: both you and I didn't even imagine this is how things would look now, in May 2019. You didn't know you'd have a youth director on staff and you certainly didn't know you'd have this space (a designated youth room). And if you did have an inkling about the space, you probably didn't know it'd be filled to the gills 3-4 times per month with 35-40 youth. And you might not have known then that these youth would show up around 7pm and some not leave until 9:30 p.m. because they've got this space... and it's safe... and it's His. And what's more – they bring friends. Did you know this is what it would look like 10 years ago?? Would you have imagined all this?

And I.... I didn't know I would reenter youth ministry. I didn't know I would be ever so blessed in this field as I have been in the last 12 months that my soul would be consumed with fire for the teens of our communities. I didn't know I'd have co-workers who pour themselves into their careers as pastor, secretary, and custodian to the degree that I feel like I have encountered Jesus when we collaborate for the good of The Church. I didn't know I'd serve alongside volunteers who enthusiastically give more time and energy in education and other ministry areas than I've ever noted in a local body of Christ. I never could have imagined all this.

Y'all, do not lose heart if you cannot imagine how life is going to work out in another, say, 10 years. Do not let what used to be get in the way of what is to come. Do not let your comfort zone cripple what God is authoring in His Church. Do not let your finite sight keep you from walking by faith into His plans. Do not let your fear or the challenges of change prevent you from walking where your Savior is leading.

Thank you for the last 12 months. God is at work here. Be so moved by His faithfulness, His authorship, His Word that you can set aside the things you can't imagine for the hope He has promised! To God be the glory both now and forever more!

*-Anita*



**New opportunities:**

1st Wednesdays beginning May 1: Coloring, Chat and Coffee at Rosewood Heights at 11:00 am

Saturday nights from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm beginning April 27th: The Gathering

A GATHERING to focus on building friendships and Biblical study, held for ALL people of ALL ages at the ATLAS Ministry Center 113 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue Rock Rapids

**Continuing events:**

Monday, May 6: ATLAS Introductory Meeting at 1:00 pm for anyone interested in serving on our team, please sign-up in advance by contacting ATLAS!

Opportunities are endless! Inquire about what possibilities exist in our thrift store, office, prayer team, food, women, youth or men's ministries Tours available by appointment as well!

Wednesday, May 8: Mentoring Youth for Leadership group activity available for students between the ages of 9-18

Parent or guardian must register youth in advance by contacting our Mentor Coordinator.

**Healing Hope Ministries** will be hosting A Walk to Remember, Raffle and Meal at Kennedy Park in Canton on SUNDAY EVENING, May 19 from 5-7pm. Registration will start at 5 and the Walk will start at 5:30pm. Music will be provided by One Way Up. The walk is free, but if you'd like a t-shirt, you'll need to pre-order that by April 30. No matter the length of life, every child leaves an impression on a parent's heart. We invite you to Walk, Share, Remember the life of a child. Whether you're a parent who has lost a child of any age, a family member, friend or caregiver of a child, all are invited to walk for any child gone too soon. If you'd like to have your child included with a memorial sign and their name printed on the t-shirt, please email [karri@healinghopes.com](mailto:karri@healinghopes.com) by April 30. T-shirts can be purchased for \$20 at [www.healinghopes.com/shop](http://www.healinghopes.com/shop) (pre-order by April 30). All proceeds will go to helping Healing Hope Ministries develop a Retreat Center near Alcester, SD for families who've lost a child at any age, to any cause of death. (We should be able to start serving families on-site in JULY!)



**Work Day**

Saturday, May 11- Bring your church group, youth group, senior class, friends or family and spend the day outside preparing Camp for Summer Camp! Your volunteer time helps us get the camp cleaned up from winter, groomed and ready for Summer. Contact Terry Dozark at 605-359-1258 or [terrydozark@gmail.com](mailto:terrydozark@gmail.com) to sign up your group today!

**Camp Sunday!**

June 9<sup>th</sup> - Inspiration Hills welcomes ALL FAMILIES to our Camp Sunday June 9th, from 3pm-5pm! Meet our Summer Camp Staff, enjoy some NEW camp activities, & explore where the campers will spend their time this summer! Tours are available throughout the afternoon!

Take along your Swimsuit & Towel to enjoy the Pool & Slip-N-Slide!

Bring the WHOLE family for this FREE event! RSVP to enter in for a prize by calling at 712-986-5193 or emailing at [ihills@inspirationhills.org](mailto:ihills@inspirationhills.org)

**Summer Camp Program Donation Needs:**

Summer Camp is almost here and we are making our preparations! We are looking for people to donate crafts, outdoor equipment and items to help make our campers' experience great!

**Campground Reservations!**

Call the camp office (712-986-5193) to reserve your campground site at Inspiration Hills this summer. Water & Electrical hookups \$20/night, swimming pool passes and Sunday Service included!

Find more information by calling the office at (712) 986-5193 or e-mailing [ihills@inspirationhills.org](mailto:ihills@inspirationhills.org)

# First Reformed Church

## MAY 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 7:00 pm Impact Youth	2	3	4
5 9:30am Worship 10:45am Sunday School Senior Recognition Sunday	6	7	8 6:00 pm Impact Youth Grand Finale @ Thunder Road	9	10 Upper Fellowship Area Reserved-Horstman	11 Upper Fellowship Area Reserved - Lenz
12 9:30am Worship 10:45am Sunday School  Mother's Day	13 Serve at The Banquet	14	15	16	17	18
19 9:30am Worship 10:45am Sunday School 12:00 Youth Room Reserved-Red Care Group Sunday School Presentations	20	21 7:15 Golden Hour Circle	22 5:30pm Bread of Life Food Giveaway @ WL	23	24	25
26 9:30am Worship	27 Memorial Day	28	29	30	31	

## **Our Leadership Team**

Rob Horstman, Pastor and President\*

Pastor Rob's Office (712)-753-2347 ~ Pastor Rob's Email: [pastorrob@alliancecom.net](mailto:pastorrob@alliancecom.net)

### **Elders**

Phil Brower, '22

\*Jesse Moser, '20, VP

James Van Ginkel, '21

Chad Van Regenmorter, '20

\*Mark Van Tol, '22, Clerk

### **Deacons**

Jake Erpenbach, '22

Terry Teunissen, '22

Keith Van Der Brink, '20

Randy Van Hill, '21

\*Lance Van Roekel, '20, Head Deacon

\* Executive Committee Members

The Elders and Deacons meet monthly the third Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

## **Ministry Area Coordinators**

Buildings & Grounds: Keith Van Der Brink    Education: Eileen Denekas

Mission: Gail Harmelink    Outreach: Jody Van Regenmorter    Worship: Dori Horstman

Sound & Video: Chris Lapka    Fellowship: Courtnie Fleshman

## **Ministry Support Staff**

Youth Director: Anita VanVeldhuizen ~ [anita.vanv@yahoo.com](mailto:anita.vanv@yahoo.com)

Secretary: Bonnie Van Ginkel

Custodian: Sandy Van Tol

Accompanists: Courtnie Fleshman, Amber Van Essen, Irene Ter Wee,

Phil Brouwer, Rebecca Van Regenmorter, Regan Claus

Praise Team Leader/Accompanist: Courtnie Fleshman

Sound Technician: Janice Ver Hoeven

Treasurer: Bonnie Van Ginkel

## **Missionaries We Help Support**

Brian and Donna Renes and family    Roger and Karen Van Otterloo and family

## **OUR MISSION STATEMENT**

In the name of Christ, First Reformed Church desires to  
proclaim God's word, worship God's name, and live as His disciples,  
united through prayer, fellowship, and service.

## **OUR VISION STATEMENT**

Imagine in our church a  
Fellowship of believers who  
Reach out to those in need and yet  
Cultivate the ministry of fellow Christians