



## **FOLLOWING CHRIST IN MISSION**

Morning Celebration	9:30 a.m.
Fellowship	10:30 a.m.
Sunday School	10:45 a.m.

**FIRST REFORMED CHURCH  
SUNDAY MORNING CELEBRATION**  
Sunday, February 16, 2020 9:30 AM

**WE PREPARE TO PRAISE GOD**

PRELUDE

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Rob Horstman

\*GREETINGS (\*Those who are able please stand)

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

**WE COME TO GOD WITH PRAISE, PRAYERS, AND GIFTS**

\*PRAISE SONGS

“Fear is a Liar”  
“Faith Is the Victory”

Power Point  
#446

TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP

Vern & Kay Fleshman, Mary Ann Fleshman

**RECEIVING GOD’S GOOD NEWS**

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

~Children age 4 – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade are dismissed for Children & Worship

MESSAGE

**“A Letter to the Seven Churches: Smyrna!”**

*Revelation Sermon Series*

Scripture: Revelation 2:8 – 11

**SO WE CAN JOYFULLY RESPOND IN CHRIST’S NAME**

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

MORNING PRAYER with THE LORD’S PRAYER

\*BENEDICTION

\*SONG OF PARTING

“Whom Shall I Fear”

Power Point

\*POSTLUDE

## **WELCOME TO FIRST REFORMED CHURCH!**

9:30 am Morning Celebration. Pastor Rob Horstman will share the message  
Greeters: Ryan & Alise Ranschau  
Organist: Amber Van Essen                      Video Recording: Chenoa Vande Stouwe  
Fellowship Cookies provided by Jeanette Spaans and Carrie Brower  
Healthy snacks provided by Eileen Denekas  
Children & Worship Leader: Shardell  
Banner Bearers: Raevyn Denekas & Ceagan Denekas  
C & W Greeters: Brittany, Ken D, Kenny VV, Chloe, Meg  
Nursery: Kelci Hofer, Sherry Carolan, Avery Lenz

### **NEXT SUNDAY ~ February 23**

9:30 am Morning Celebration. Pastor Rob Horstman will share the message  
Greeters: Todd & Jennifer Reinke  
Organist: Irene Ter Wee                      Video Recording: Dylan Teunissen  
Fellowship Cookies provided Paula Halma and Danielle Koedam  
Healthy snacks provided by Carolyn Huyser :  
Children & Worship Leader: Eileen  
Banner Bearers: Eli Erpenbach & Charles Lapka  
C & W Greeters: Bev A, Angie VB, Nikki, Rachel, Alexa  
Nursery: Samantha Koedam, Brittany Halma, Sidney Huyser  
Offering: General Fund, Building Fund

### **CONGREGATIONAL NEWS**

**The Calling Team** for this month is Phil Brouwer and Brent Driesen.

**The Elders will meet** this week Wednesday, February 18 at 7:00 p.m. in the youth room. Full Consistory will meet at 7:30.

**Sunday night bible study** will start tonight at 6:00 in the youth room. Everyone is invited to attend. We will be doing a study by Laura Story called **“When God Doesn’t Fix It!”** Cost of a study guide is \$8.

**NO IMPACT this week.** We will meet next week Wednesday, February 26 at 7pm.

**Daughters of the King** – change of dates. For the month of February, we will be meeting on February 19 and 26. Please pass this information on to your friends.

**Serendipity Women’s Bible Study** will meet at 1:00 on Friday, February 21, at the home of Donna Tilstra

**Golden Hour Circle** will meet at 7:15pm on Tuesday, February 18 at church. Devotions – Devonne; Bible Study - Jody; Hostess - Karen

## JOYS & CONCERNS

- This morning we welcome Vern & Kay Fleshman and their daughter Mary Ann to our membership. They come to us from Central Presbyterian Church of Nevada, IA
- We extend our sympathy to Rob & Dori Horstman and family in the passing of Dori's aunt, Fonda Kooistra. Fonda's funeral will be held on Tuesday, February 18 at 10:00am at Inwood Christian Reformed Church, with visitation Monday night from 5 – 8pm at Inwood CRC
- Tristan Spaans had knee surgery this past Thursday morning to repair a torn ACL, MCL and meniscus. Pray for a quick and complete recovery.
- Justin Brower is trying some new medications and continues to doctor for his illness. He has good days and bad days.
- Gary & Aletha Klarenbeek's grandson, Brayson, met with a hematologist this week for his low blood platelets. Keep Brayson in your prayers.
- Wayne Warner continues to gain strength and healing after a heart transplant. Wayne is a brother-in-law to John & Marcia Boer and Kim & Lisa Van Ginkel.
- Arlan Van Voorst is dealing with autoimmune encephalitis. He is the nephew of Mike & Gloria Bomgaars, Vern & Laura Koedam and Kenny & Amy Koedam. Keep him in your prayers.
- Pray for those who are fighting cancer – Melissa Moser, Ron Zylstra, Trish Lombard and others from our extended families and communities.

**Thank you** to all 44 of our guests for braving the weather to attend the second Valentine's Formal on Wednesday evening! Without your participation and support, we wouldn't be able to pull off these special events, of which we enjoy as much as you. Thank you also to the parents who offered extra hands in the kitchen and in preparing our meal. It was our pleasure to serve you!

- Impact Students & Leaders

"Thank you" for your prayers, phone calls, visits, cards, and meals after my surgery. Everything was very much appreciated! It is a blessing to be part of this church family.

-Bev Arp

**March Newsletter** items are due next Sunday, Feb 23. Please email to [frcinwood@gmail.com](mailto:frcinwood@gmail.com) or put in the newsletter/bulletin mailbox. Thank you!

**Days for Girls is in need of small bars of soap.** There is a group of local women who assemble kits of feminine hygiene items for women and girls in third world countries who do not have access to these things. The soap is put in the kits. As you travel, please bring the bars of soap from the motel home and put them in the designated mailbox here at church. Thank you for helping with this mission project.

**SAVE THE DATE!!** Cornerstone Prison Church Council, Board and Congregation would like to invite you to the 14th Annual Benefit Banquet Monday, April 6, 2020. Please join us at Trinity Christian Reformed Church, Rock Valley, IA at 6:30 p.m. Enjoy an evening of fun, food and fellowship as we enjoy music by **Cornerstone Quartet** from Leota, MN and hear how the Holy Spirit is working in hearts and lives of inmates in the South Dakota State Penitentiary!  
More detailed information to follow at a future date.

## Sermon Outline for today's message

Today's message is posted on the website at [frcinwood.org](http://frcinwood.org). Click on the Sermon tab and select video from the dropdown menu to view the entire worship service or select audio to hear the message only.

### A Letter to the Seven Churches: Smyrna!

Rev 2:8-11

1. We look at a church about which only \_\_\_\_\_ are said by Jesus.
  - a. Smyrna was a city of \_\_\_\_\_ people; known today as \_\_\_\_\_, Turkey.
2. Amongst all the various \_\_\_\_\_ that were worshipped in the Roman world, one in particular was especially dangerous for the church.
  - a. People had been in awe of Rome, and a cult had grown up honoring the '\_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_.
  - b. Smyrna comes from trees in the area that produced \_\_\_\_\_.
3. What Jesus is \_\_\_\_\_ this church? Rev 2:8-9
  - a. The word affliction means '\_\_\_\_\_'; lots of pressure from the society they lived in.
  - b. The "Synagogue of Satan" referred to the Jews who would not accept the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus Christ.
4. Their very \_\_\_\_\_ will be in danger. Rev. 2:10
  - a. 10 days means that it will be for a \_\_\_\_\_ of time.
  - b. \_\_\_\_\_; facing \_\_\_\_\_ because of their belief in Jesus was about to become very real.
  - c. The early church recorded him as the 12th Martyr in Smyrna - His name is \_\_\_\_\_.
  - d. Romans called Christians "\_\_\_\_\_ " because they didn't worship a God anyone could see!
5. Besides pressure and poverty, they faced ' \_\_\_\_\_ ' things being said about them that cast them in a bad light.
  - a. They failed to fall in line with what was going on in \_\_\_\_\_.
  - b. You and I are called out in our beliefs as Christians because we don't \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ the lifestyles of our modern day society.
6. For Smyrna, they were not told "I have seen the pressure you have faced but it will be \_\_\_\_\_ soon".
  - a. Jesus says to the church in Smyrna "I see your poverty, yet you are \_\_\_\_\_! Rev 2:9
7. What is the price of no compromise with the world look like in your faith walk with Jesus?



## **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)

Monday is Pastor Rob's day off

### **Elders**

\*Phil Brouwer, '22, VP

James Van Ginkel, '21

\*Mark Van Tol, '22, Clerk

Kenny Van Veldhuizen, '23

Darwin Ver Hoeven, '23

### **Deacons**

Brent Driesen, '23

Jake Erpenbach, '22

Travis Koedam, '23

Terry Teunissen, '22

\*Randy Van Hill, '21, Head Deacon

\* Executive Committee Members

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

### **Ministry Area Coordinators**

Buildings & Grounds: Terry Teunissen    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 Van Veldhuizen - [anita.vanv@yahoo.com](mailto:anita.vanv@yahoo.com)

Secretary: Bonnie Van Ginkel

Custodian: Sandy Van Tol

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

Phil Brouwer, Rebecca Van Regenmorter, Regan Claus

Praise Team Leader: Gwen Berentschot

Sound Technician: Janice Ver Hoeven

Treasurer: Bonnie Van Ginkel

### **Missionaries We Help Support**

Brian and Donna Renes and family

Brent Kooi, Mission to the World, Sydney, Australia

Lisa Yunker, Children in Families, Phnom Penh, Cambodia

### **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

### **Sunday Offering Schedule**

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday is for the general fund as well as the Benevolent Fund, and Children's Coin Offering

2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays are for the General Fund

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday is for the general fund as well as the Building Fund

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday is for the General Fund as well as a special offering that is determined by the deacons

Please call (712)753-4818 or email [frcinwood@gmail.com](mailto:frcinwood@gmail.com) to submit items for the bulletin by Thursday morning.  
Bonnie is in the church office Thursday and Friday 8 am – noon.