

# FIRST CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

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*- Song of Solomon 2:1 -*



**THE LORD'S DAY**  
**July 6, 2025**  
**9:30 AM Divine Worship**

Organ Prelude

Call to Worship

Silent Prayer

\*Declaration of Trust in God

\*God's Greeting/We Greet One Another

**Song of Praise:**

**"I Sing the Mighty Power of God"**

Vs:1-3

Reading of God's Law - *Exodus 20:1-17*

**Song of Salvation:**

**"Let All Things Now Living"**

PH 61:1-2

Moment for Missions with Rev. Michael Ribbens

Congregational Prayer

**\*Song of Preparation:**

**"Show Us Christ"**

LUYH:1-2

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture: Song of Songs 1-2 (page 627/1049)

Sermon: **"THE SOUNDTRACKS OF LOVE: THE BEGINNING"**

Prayer for God's Blessing on the Preached Word

**\*Song of Response:**

**"The Love of God"**

PH 108:1-2

Offertory Prayer/Offering: Benevolent Fund

& Missionaries Rev. Michael & Megan Ribbens

\*Benediction

**\*Closing Song:**

**"My Friends, May You Grow In Grace"**

LUYH:1

\*Organ Postlude

Organist: Ranae Kooistra

\*Please stand if you are able

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*WELCOME!*

*We pray that everyone will enjoy the presence of the Lord among  
His people today as we bring our praises & prayers,  
and hear His Word proclaimed!*

## TODAY

-- This morning we welcome Rev. Michael Ribbens as he provides a Missions Update of the work he has been doing to share the gospel of Christ in South Africa. *Thank you for your visit today Rev. Ribbens!*

-- Following the morning service, an outdoor picnic hosted by the Missions Committee will be held at Pastor Matt & Holly's home which will provide an opportunity for a time of fellowship with Rev. Ribbens.

## EXPRESSION OF APPRECIATION

-- *Thank you to all who expressed your care and concern following my recent surgery. Thank you to Pastor Haan for your visit. Your prayers and support are greatly appreciated! -- Ron LeLoux*

## PRAYER CONCERN

-- We rejoice with Cory & Mariah Jansen, son & daughter-in-law of Rob & Karen Jansen, in the blessing of the birth of a baby girl, Maggie Jade, on Tuesday, July 1! She was born early and weighed 2lbs. 10oz. She is currently doing very well and will stay in the NICU for some time as she grows, most likely to her original due date in 12 weeks. Praise God for this perfect gift and his constant care! Pray for continued health, growth, and strength for Maggie during this delicate time.

-- The Youth Group Serve Trip to Minneapolis is July 12-18. Please pray for Benjamin Haan, Brielle Jansma, Mason Jansma, Harper Van Bommel, and Deb Vant Hul as they travel to Minneapolis where they will be helping with Vacation Bible School and various service projects in the community. Please pray for safety, the ability to effectively share the gospel, and for individual spiritual growth.

-- The Cadet 8th Grade Boundary Waters Trip is July 13-17. The 8th Graders & their fathers attending the trip from our Church include: Pastor Matt & Titus Haan and Nate & Brennan Van Kley. Please pray for safety and spiritual blessings for all as they enjoy this time together.

## CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

-- The *first* offering received today will be for our **Benevolent Fund**, and the *second* offering and *evening* offering will be for **Missionaries: Rev. Michael & Megan Ribbens**. The offerings next week will be for ATLAS and our Building Fund.

-- **Meals on Wheels** - This week July 7-11, is our opportunity to deliver meals to the elderly of our community. **Volunteers are still needed for Tuesday, July 8 and Friday, July 11.** *Thank you to all those who have volunteered to deliver!*

-- Next week Sunday, July 13, we will welcome Rev. Sosthene Maletoungou as he leads our morning worship service, and Mr. Nathan Nieuwendorp as he leads our evening worship service. After the morning service, the Missions Committee will provide coffee and cookies and an opportunity to fellowship with Rev. Sosthene.

## **CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED**

-- The Fellowship Committee invites you to attend a Sioux Falls Canaries Baseball Game on the evening of **Friday, July 25!** Game time is scheduled for 7:05pm. The Canaries will be playing the Lake County Dockhounds, and there will be a fireworks display following the game. If you are interested in attending, please sign-up on the sheet on the table in the Narthex by **Thursday, July 10** as tickets will need to be reserved by July 11 for the number of people who sign up. If you have any questions, please contact a member of the Fellowship Committee.

-- **NURSERY VOLUNTEERS:** The Nursery Committee has adjusted the nursery schedule starting July and going into Fall. If you are a volunteer, a new schedule has been provided to you in your Church mailbox. Please follow the new schedule. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Kelsey Ver Burg. *Thank you!*

-- Book Club will meet on **Monday, Sept 22**. We will be discussing our first WWII Historical fiction novel. **The Keeper of the Hidden Books** - *A heartbreaking story about the power of books to bring us together, inspired by the true story of the underground library in WWII Warsaw.* Two copies of the book are available to borrow on the table in the Narthex.

## **EDUCATION COMMITTEE ANNOUNCEMENTS**

-- For the next season of Sunday School, there is a need for teachers for **Kindergarten and 3rd Grade**. Please consider your call to serve in this capacity and notify Damon Rus - Sunday School Superintendent as soon as possible if you are interested! If you want to share this role with someone to aide with scheduling, that is an option you can work out together when planning the year.

-- Children's Choir is in need of a **Piano Accompanist** for the coming season, please notify Damon Rus if you are willing and able to help out the Children's Choir leaders during weekly Sunday practices and their performances during services.

-- Children in Worship will begin when Sunday School/Catechism also resume this Fall. If you are 7th Grade or older and are interested in being a **Helper for Children in Worship**, please contact Jamie De Jager. If you are interested in teaching, more volunteers to teach are also welcome!

-- Classroom placements & material preparations are underway for the start of the Sunday School and Catechism sessions in the Fall. **All 3 year olds are welcome to attend Sunday School, even if they are attending Children in Worship also.** Contact Pam Maassen or Laurie Van Kley with any questions. ***If you have a child that you plan to begin attending the Preschool Sunday School Class, and/or if you have a child that will move from Preschool to Kindergarten, please let Kim in the Church office know - [secretary@firstcrrv.org](mailto:secretary@firstcrrv.org).***

## **MISSIONS ANNOUNCEMENTS**

-- **Wheelchairs for Guatemala** - A shipping container continues to be available to store wheelchair donations! It is located at Tilly's Trucking located East of Rock Valley, and the container will be shipped once it is filled up! As before, the priority for filling the container will be wheelchairs (manual or electric). The wheelchairs can be USED or even be in need of some repairs. If you have any questions or have a donation for this mission, please contact Tammy Haverhals (#712-470-6607) or any of the Mission Committee members. *Thank you!*

### July 6, 2025

**PRAISE TEAM:**

Lanae H, Tracy B,  
Andy VR, Benjamin H

**USHERS:**

*East:* Josh B, Mike VZ  
*West:* Dan B, Darin P

**NURSERY:**

*AM:* Jackie R, Teeghan B, Taryn B  
*PM:* Laurie VK, Noah DK

**VIDEO:** Alex K   **SOUND:** Rich R   **PPT:** Cowan VK

**GREETERS:**

*AM:* Loy & Janice VH  
Loy & Taryn VH  
Mark & Deb VH

*PM:* Mike & Christal VH  
Mitchel & Shelby VH  
Tim & Kendra VT

*NARTHEX:* Ron & Darletta

**OFFERING:**

*AM:* Benevolent Fund  
*PM:* Missionaries:  
Rev. Michael & Megan Ribbens

**LETTERS:**

*Ribbens:* Randy VK  
*Maletoungou:* James VB  
*Klompens:* Evan VB

**ORGANIST/PIANIST:**

*AM:* Ranae K   *PM:* Carisa M

### July 13, 2025

**SONG LEADER:**

Tricia M

**USHERS:**

*East:* Joel B, Matt VE  
*West:* Tyler DB, Alvin L

**NURSERY:**

*AM:* Judy VO, Titus H, Harper B  
*PM:* Sharla VR, Mason J

**VIDEO:** Ron L   **SOUND:** Leonard H   **PPT:** Tammy B

**GREETERS:**

*AM:* Mike VZ  
Jack & Kelsey VB  
Gerrit & Kay V

*PM:* Harm & Bonnie W  
Blake & Genae Z  
Ryan & Jamie Z

*NARTHEX:* Larry & Yvonne

**OFFERING:**

*AM:* ATLAS  
*PM:* Building Fund

**LETTERS:**

*Ribbens:* Alyssa VH  
*Maletoungou:* Chad VH  
*Klompens:* Mary VH

**PIANIST:** Denise Postma

## Remember

Never be afraid to shine, but hide yourself in the Lord first.

That way, you will know that what shines through you is a true glimpse of heaven.

*"Let your light shine before men in such a way that they may see your good works,  
and glorify your Father who is in heaven."*

*Matthew 5:16*

**SERMON NOTES:**

**July 6, 2025**

**TODAY:** **9:30 AM:** Morning Worship Service - Rev. Ribbens Mission Update  
**10:45 AM:** Outdoor picnic at Pastor Matt & Holly's home  
**6:00 PM:** Evening Worship Service

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**MON: 11:00 AM:** Meals on Wheels - Kevin Jansma

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**TUES: 11:00 AM:** Meals on Wheels -

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**WED: 11:00 AM:** Meals on Wheels - Larry & Yvonne Haak

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**THURS: 11:00 AM:** Meals on Wheels - Marva Haak

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**FRI: 11:00 AM:** Meals on Wheels -

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**SAT: July 12-18** - Youth Group Serve Trip to Minneapolis

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### **PRAYER REMINDERS**

#### **IGNITE Youth Group Serve Trip**

♦ Benjamin Haan, Brielle Jansma, Mason Jansma, Harper Van Bommel, & Leader Deb Van't Hul

#### **CADET Boundary Waters Trip**

♦ Pastor Matt & Titus Haan; Nate & Brennan Van Kley

#### **Health, Healing, & Peace**

♦ Cory & Mariah Jansen & daughter Maggie Jade, Michael & Jamie Ellenberger (CG#6),  
Ron LeLoux (CG#6), Paula Kats (CG#1), Howard Altena (CG#5), Clarence Klarenbeek (CG#6),  
Ruth Koedam (CG#2), Rev. Dan De Groot, Jason Davelaar

#### **Our Care Center Residents:**

##### **Four Seasons**

Teresa Oostra (CG#6)

##### **Whispering Heights**

Don Postma (CG#3)

Grace Teunissen (CG#8)

Alvina Van't Hul (CG#5)

Joan Van Maanen (CG#7)

Harvey & Joanne Van Otterloo (CG#6)

##### **River View Ridge**

Nathan Dorhout (CG#2)

Jim Driesen (CG#6)

Gerrit & Esther Kats (CG#4)

LeRoy & Jane Koedam (CG#3)

Henrietta Vanden Bosch (CG#4)

##### **Hull - Pleasant Acres**

Jerry Velgersdyk (CG#7)

##### **Crown Pointe - SC**

Harriet Vande Kamp (CG#5)

#### **Missionaries**

- ♦ Rev. Michael & Megan Ribbens - Johannesburg, South Africa
- ♦ Rev. Sosthene & Kara Maletougou - West Africa
- ♦ Rev. Mark K Family - classically supported missionaries in Nepal



#### **Classical Missions**

- ♦ Lakeview CRC - Valentine, NE

**Classis Iakota** - [www.classisiakota.org/classis-documents](http://www.classisiakota.org/classis-documents)

#### **Denominational Requests**

- ♦ (Communications) *Independence Day (US)* - We thank God for his faithfulness to the United States, and we ask for his guidance to churches and believers across the country. We pray that the Holy Spirit will continue to grow fruit through all who proclaim the name of Christ.



### **THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES**

**Sunday** - Howard Altena, Samantha Pollema, Cody Van Tilburg,  
*the Bob Groeneweg's, the Don Postma's (55)*

**Monday** - Trenton Van't Hul

**Tuesday** - Olivia De Jager, Galen Grevengoed

**Wednesday** - Addisyn Bloemendaal, Jeremy Kooiker

**Thursday** - Lori Boon, Jesse Eppinga

**Friday** - Taryn Breuer, Zach Elbers, Dereck Van Der Brink,  
Mason Van't Hul, *the Evan LeLoux's*

**Saturday** - *the Chad Van't Hul's*

### **FUTURE DATES**

**July 12-18** - Youth Group Serve Trip

**July 13-17** - 8th Grade Cadet Boundary Waters Trip

**July 20** - Baptism Sunday - Haddie Byl

**July 25** - SF Canaries Game

**July 28** - Council Meeting

**August 9** - IGNITE Youth Group Burger Feed

### **SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **Rock Valley Christian School:**

◇ Office is closed for the month of July. Any questions, please contact:

- Pat By - [pat.byl@rockvalleychristian.com](mailto:pat.byl@rockvalleychristian.com)
- Abby De Groot - [abby.degroot@dordt.edu](mailto:abby.degroot@dordt.edu)
- Haeley Faber - [haeley.faber@rockvalleychristian.com](mailto:haeley.faber@rockvalleychristian.com)
- Tim Van Soelen - [tim.vansoelen@dordt.edu](mailto:tim.vansoelen@dordt.edu)
- Julie Van Tol - [julie.vantol@rockvalleychristian.edu](mailto:julie.vantol@rockvalleychristian.edu)

◇ Job Openings at RVCS for next school year - Music Teacher & Van Driver - Contact Tim Van Soelen at [tim.vansoelen@dordt.edu](mailto:tim.vansoelen@dordt.edu)

◇ **Your voice matters!** As the RVCS Board explores the possibility of a building addition to support the growth and mission of our school, we invite you to complete the Building Addition Survey. Your thoughts and insights will help guide our planning and ensure we are meeting the need of our students and families. We appreciate your time and input! Please complete the survey by scanning the QR code provided.



◇ **Thunder in the Valley: RVCS Concessions Volunteers** - Please take a moment to review the available volunteer slots by scanning the QR code above! Thank you for supporting Rock Valley Christian School!



◇ **RVCS Golf Tournament** - Friday, August 22 - \$150/person for golf & steak dinner; \$30/person for steak dinner only - Scan to register.



### **COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS** - [www.firstcrrv.org/resources](http://www.firstcrrv.org/resources)



## **6:00 PM Divine Worship**

Piano Prelude

### **Hymn Sing**

**"Alleluia He Is Coming"**

Vs:1-5

**"He Is Exalted"**

PH:1

Call to Worship

Silent Prayer

\*Declaration of Trust in God

\*God's Greeting

**\*Song of Praise: "Onward, Christian Soldiers"**

PsH 466:1-3

**\*The Apostles' Creed** (in unison)

**\*Song of Response:**

**"Lord I Lift Your Name on High"**

CH:1

**The Heidelberg Catechism - Lord's Day 24 Q/A 62-64** (read responsively)

Congregational Prayer

**\*Song of Preparation: "O Church Arise"**

GH:1-3

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture: Ezekiel 3:16-27 (page 769/1288)

Sermon: **"THE WATCHMAN OF THE REBELLIOUS"**

Prayer for God's Blessing on the Preached Word

**\*Song of Application: "The Battle Belongs to the Lord"** CH:1-2

Offertory Prayer/Offering: Missionaries: Rev. Michael & Megan Ribbens

\*Benediction

**\*Closing Song:**

**"The Battle Belongs to the Lord"**

CH:3

\*Piano Postlude

Pianist: Carisa Maassen

\*Please stand if you are able

# FIRST CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH - ROCK VALLEY, IOWA

## 2025 COUNCIL

**MINISTER:**  
**REV. MATTHEW A. HAAN**

### ELDERS:

Evan Vanden Bosch, *President* '25 - (470-1022)  
Randy Vande Kamp '26 - (541-7500)  
Tim Van Tilburg '27 - (470-5009)  
Carl Elbers '27 - (451-8150)  
Leonard Hoekstra, *Vice President* '27 - (451-9430)  
Darwin Hoogendoorn '26 - (470-0697)  
Scott Koedam '25 - (470-7037)  
Ron LeLoux, *Vicar* '26 - (470-2426)  
Nate Van Kley, *Clerk* '25 - (470-2348)

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----- Care Group 3 -----  
----- Care Group 4 -----  
----- Care Group 5 -----  
----- Care Group 6 -----  
----- Care Group 7 -----  
----- Care Group 8 -----

### DEACONS:

Travis Jansen, *Secretary* '25 - (470-3486)  
Mitchell Byl, *Special Offerings* '26 - (470-2920)  
Carter Vanden Bos, *Benevolence* '27 - (422-2107)  
Colton Van Otterloo, *GF Treasurer* '27 - (451-9007)  
Blake Zomer, *Vicar of Deacons* '27 - (460-2552)  
Myron Bleyenbergh, *President* '25 - (605-359-8574)  
Ryan Zomer, *Building Treasurer* '25 - (712-441-3970)  
Evan Altena, *Missions* '26 - (470-2575)

**Please contact the Pastor or assigned Elder with needs.**

### 2025 COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS:

Executive Committee ..... Pastor Matt, Evan VB (Chr.), Leonard H, Nate VK, Ron L, Myron B, Colton VO  
Pulpit Supply ..... Pastor Matt, Leonard H (Chr.), Evan VB  
Bulletin ..... Pastor Matt, Kim A, Evan VB, Nate VK  
Church Governance ..... Elders  
Sacraments ..... Ron L, Tim VT  
Missions Committee ..... Leonard (Chr.) & Deb H, Mike & Tammy B, Randy & Pat B, Mark & Deb VH, Tim & Kim VT  
Family Faith Visitation Committee ..... Darwin H, Randy VK  
Worship Committee ..... Pastor Matt, Evan VB, James VB (Chr.), Rachelle VB, Krista VE, Andy VR  
Music Coordinator ..... Rachelle VB  
Building and Grounds Committee ..... Jeff VB (Chr.), Carl E (Liaison), Ryan Z (Treas.), Steve DK, Marva H, Mike P  
Education Committee ..... Pastor Matt, Damon R (Chr.), Mitchell B, Jamie DJ, Steph E, Scott K, Sharla VR, Alyssa VH  
Sunday School Superintendent ..... Damon R  
Christian Education Committee ..... Keith & Jacque L (Pres.), Eric & Tracy B, Steve & April DK, Brad & Nanci G,  
Darin & Megan K, Joe & Jill M, Andy & Sharla VR  
Rock Valley Calvinist Board ..... Ron L, Mike P  
Youth Group Sponsors ..... Josie F, Evan & Rhonda L, Brad & Brenda P, Mark & Deb VH, Kevin & Cheryl DB,  
Colton & Kristi H, Mike K, Dave & Amy VB, Nate VK (Liaison)  
Welcome Committee ..... Roger & Hilaine K (Chr), Harlan & Priscilla D, Eric & Tracy B, Larry & Yvonne H,  
Ron & Darletta L, Vern & Ellen VB  
Memorial ..... Deacons  
Head Usher ..... Ron L  
Funeral Ushers ..... Roger K (Chr.), Harlan D, Bob G, Dick J  
Organists/Pianists ..... Ranac K, Carisa M, Krista VE, Rachelle VB  
Nursery Committee ..... Jackie R, Kelsey VB  
Tech Committee ..... Brian F, Joe M, Rich R, Andy VR, Josie F  
Sound System Team ..... James VB (Chr.), Mike H, Leonard H, Rich R, Evan VB  
Video Recording Team ..... Brian F (Chr.), Alex K, Ron L, Rich R, Carter VB, Matthew VO  
PowerPoint System Team ..... Rachelle VB (Chr.), Tammy B, Benjamin H, Jaydn L, Jenna VO, Kayla VO, Aiden VR  
Custodians ..... Rich & Lynnette R (476-5724)  
Church Secretary ..... Kim A (Office-476-5902; Cell-712-470-6103) \*Present bulletin announcements by **4:00 PM Wednesday**\*  
Prayer Chain ..... Pastor Matt, Evan VB  
Fellowship Committee ..... Bonnie D (Chr.), Tracy B, Katie B, Alli DB, Patty H, Kendra J, Kristin J, Sara J, Steph K, Jill M, Brenda P  
Flowers ..... Marva H, Karla VK, Carol VH  
Newsletter ..... Carla J (editor), Kim A  
Library Committee ..... Joyce VE (Chr.), Diana DG, Carol DR, Hilaine K, Judy VO  
Website Team ..... Tracy B (Chr.), Kim A, Brian F, Josie F  
Safe Church Committee ..... Scott K (Chr.), Kim A, Sue L  
Scheduling Rides ..... Travis J  
Community Impact Committee ..... Mitchell B  
Care Districts ..... District Elders  
School Board Representatives ..... Western Christian - Brenda P, Loy VH, Jr. & Rock Valley Christian - Mike B, Keith L, Andy VR, Jack VB

**SACRAMENTS: HOLY BAPTISM** - Upon approved request

**HOLY COMMUNION** - 1st Sunday of Lent, Maundy Thursday, 2nd Sunday of June & September, and 1st Sunday of Advent

**MISSIONS:** *Rev. Mike & Megan Ribbens*-Johannesburg, South Africa (email Mike at [mribbens@crcna.org](mailto:mribbens@crcna.org) or Megan at [mribbens@gmail.com](mailto:mribbens@gmail.com))

*Rev. Sosthene & Kara Maletoungou*-West Africa (email [smaletoungou@crcna.org](mailto:smaletoungou@crcna.org))

*Rev. Mark & Jinhee Klompien*-Nepal ([mklompien@crcna.org](mailto:mklompien@crcna.org))

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