

First Reformed Church

July 7, 2024

Oh give thanks to the Lord, for He is good!" - Psalm 106:1

Order of Worship

- Prelude & Announcements
- * Call to Worship and Salutation
- * Gloria Patri and Invocation xv
- * Confession *The Apostles' Creed* p. 670, Q 23
- * Hymn *God Is Our Refuge* 37
- Heidelberg Catechism – Lord's Day 27 p. 677
- Congregational Prayer
- * Hymn *Come, O Come, Thou Quick-'ning Spirit* 247
- Scripture: Psalm 54
- Sermon: God, My Helper
- * Prayer of Application
- Reception of Offering
- * Hymn *What A Friend We Have In Jesus* 533
- * Benediction and Doxology

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
 Praise Him all creatures here below;
 Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:
 Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

WELCOME

We warmly welcome you today as First Reformed Church celebrates 75 years of proclaiming our Triune God's glory, grace, and salvation in Aberdeen. If you have joined us for the first time, please fill out one of our blue visitor cards and place it in the offering plate.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Coffee Chat continues in chapter 6 of our study Faith of Our Fathers Living Still looking at Part 3 of the doctrine of Total Depravity.

Mission Accomplished will be the theme of next week's service at Grace Reformed Church in Dickinson. The day is marked as a celebration of the church's coming off of Missions status after years of support by the Northern Plains Classis and the RCUS Synod. A special thanks is extended to First Reformed Church in Aberdeen for their oversight and care during their early years.

Pastor Bowen will be bringing the message in Dickinson, as president of the Northern Plains Classis. This will begin a two-week vacation for Pastor and Patty.

A special offering will be taken next week here at First Reformed Church for the Dickinson church to aid in paying down their building debt.

Consistory will meet on July 15th.

The **Heidelberg Youth Camp** is scheduled for July 22-26. Thank you to all who gave so generously to our Special Offering for camp. The total given was \$1,456.00.

Join our Worship Service Live: The Sunday morning sermons are available on the church website at aberdeenreformed.com under Sermon Audio, or watch live or later after service by hitting the Livestream button.

Prayer for . . .

OUR RESIDENTIAL HOME MEMBERS: Mrs. Orma Vetch and Gloria Opp are at Bethesda; Donna Kappes, and Raymond Graff at the Derian Lodge, Milo Opp is at Aberdeen Rehab.

Pray for the Lord to provide pastors for Mitchell and Pierre. Pray for Dallas Tschappat and Adam Malsam for continued healing. Both have received positive reports from their doctors and are recovering nicely.

July Birthdays and Anniversaries

3 Jackie Bender	20 Monte & Becky Mehlhoff
Brian Baker	Stian Roux
4 Matti Nehlich	21 Jean Bender
8 Tina Rahm	Yvonne Malsam
11 Gloria Opp	22 Pastor & Patty Bowen
12 Craig & Mary Mehlhoff	26 Nick King
14 Ethan Morlock	27 Olivia Morlock

Offering 6/30/2024	
General Fund	\$3,079.00
Diaconal Fund	\$00.00
Building Fund	\$00.00

Rev. Bowen's cell: 605 824-8108; e-mail: rcushank@gmail.com
 Greeter for July: Jim Dumire

Sermon Notes
God, My Helper
Psalm 54

Theme: The Christian looks to God's help when others betray you.

I. Our Savior – vv. 1-3

II. Our Help – vv. 4-5

III. Our Worship – vv. 6-7

FIRST REFORMED CHURCH

OUR HISTORY

First Reformed Church was organized in 1948, meeting first in the YMCA and later on S. 9th Street. The first full-time pastor came in 1958. Before this, services were led by visiting pastors and elders. In 1964 the present church building was erected and dedicated to the worship of our Triune God. First Reformed Church is an organic member of the Northern Plains Classis, of the *Reformed Church in the United States*, which traces its history to 1710 and beyond that to the Reformation in the Palatinate region of Heidelberg, Germany. We are indebted to reformers like Luther, Zwingli, and Ursinus, and especially to John Calvin for their insights into God's Word.

OUR PURPOSE

The purpose of the First Reformed Church is to provide its members with the regular preaching of the Word of God, the administration of the Sacraments (Baptism and the Lord's Supper), the facilities of public worship, and the exercise of Christian Discipline, so that by these means they may fulfill their Christian duties. It is our goal that in all things our Holy God may be glorified and praised by our words and deeds in gratitude for our salvation.

OUR BELIEFS AND TEACHING

We believe and teach that the Bible is the infallible, inspired, and inerrant Word of God and that its doctrine of salvation is the only true doctrine of salvation. We preach that salvation is by grace through faith in Jesus Christ alone and that Christ's death on the cross has earned for us and all true believers the forgiveness of sins, everlasting righteousness, and salvation. We believe and teach that in Jesus Christ we have all that is necessary for salvation. Our children are instructed in the Heidelberg Catechism because we believe it summarizes what the Scriptures teach and that we must seek a clear and definite understanding of the unchanging Word of the unchanging God.

OUR MISSION

Our mission is to preach the gospel of Salvation through the blood of Jesus Christ, the only Savior. Thus, we have public worship services each Sunday at 9:00 a.m. and Sunday School at 10:30 a.m. Classes are held for the youth and adults. Special services and Bible studies are held as announced. We invite and welcome all people to attend our worship services and for those who share our faith in Jesus Christ to join our fellowship. We extend our mission worldwide by supporting home and foreign mission works with our prayers and offerings.



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A Place to Grow in the Grace of God

Sunday Worship 9:00 am
Sunday Bible Study 10:30 am

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