

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

October 11, 2026

9:30 AM

The Congregation Gathers:

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements – *Charish Weeldreyer*

For Praise:

✠Songs of Praise #65 “The Wonder of It All”
#66 “To God Be the Glory”

✠Prayer of Confession (read in unison)

Loving God, we confess before you and each other that our lives are not pure and holy apart from the cleansing we have from the work of Christ. And we confess that too often Christ in us is hidden by our actions that wound rather than heal, that tear down rather than build up. Open our eyes, that we may see you in the ones we say we love. Open our ears, that we may be quicker to listen than to speak. Open our mouths to speak good rather than evil of our neighbors. Open our hands in generosity and help us let go of clenched fists. Open our hearts to a desire to follow Jesus in full obedience to your will and your way. We pray trusting in your forgiveness and in the power of your Holy Spirit to lead and guide us in paths of justice and righteousness for your name’s sake. Amen.

✠Words of Assurance

✠Ascription of Praise #623 “Gloria Patri”

✠Passing of the Peace

Ministry in Music – *Nicole Winterboer*

For Reflection:

Children’s Message

Old Testament Lesson – Exodus 15:1-18 (pages 110-111)

Message: “**The Holiness of God**”

Prayer of Commitment

✠Hymn #201 “Grace Greater Than Our Sin”

For Response:

Receiving of Tithes and Offerings

✠Offertory Response #625 “Doxology”

✠Presentation of our Gifts to God (read in unison)

Lord God, heavenly King, we offer these our gifts as a sign of love, devotion, and praise. Through these, as through our praises, we acknowledge that you are our Lord. In your name we pray. Amen.

Church Family Ties

Congregational Prayer and “*The Lord’s Prayer*”

✠Benediction

✠Closing Song #473 “Victory in Jesus”

Postlude

✠*Please stand during these acts of worship.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The scripture and message will be posted on Facebook. You may view the worship service live in the kitchen, the Family Life Center, and the nursery.

Thank you to Rev. Mike Scott for providing pulpit supply today.

Preschool-5th Grade students may leave during the closing song for “Little Lambs” choir and their Sunday School class.

Youth in grades 6-12 meet at 10:45 AM for a video/discussion series. This week’s topic is “Keep on Praying: How to make prayer a part of everyday life.”

The adult video/discussion series will not meet today.

We will serve a meal following the 5:00 PM worship service at Freedom’s Gate Church in Sioux Falls today. The church meets at the east side of First Reformed, 5800 S Tomar Road. Anyone age 18 & over is welcome to attend.

The church office will be closed tomorrow.

Love INC (In the Name of Christ) has received a grant to start a new ministry called *Baby Moses* to support new moms physically, mentally and spiritually in the first three months following birth. An informational meeting will be held October 13 at 5:30 PM at Faith Presbyterian Church in Lennox. Volunteers are needed. Questions? Call Michelle Paulson at 605-681-6550.

The Union Gospel Mission Lamplighters are holding a potluck meeting on October 16 at 1:00 PM at Valley Springs Reformed. The Love Gift is laundry pods or sheets. If you are not able to bring a hotdish or salad to share for the potluck, come anyway. All are welcome. Dessert will be provided.

November newsletter information is due in the office by 9:00 AM on Monday, October 19.

Our annual Mission Emphasis Sunday is October 25. The guest speaker is Rich Koele from Hope Haven Ministries. The consistory will serve donuts during the fellowship time that follows and Rich will share more about Hope Haven during that time. The offering that morning will be given to Hope Haven and to the mission family we support in Europe.

Children in preschool-12th grades will meet together in the Family Life Center during the Sunday School time on Oct 25 to paint pumpkins and to write letters to the missionary families that we support. Parents, please help your children write letters ahead of time.

We will be assembling a gift basket for the Center of Hope fall benefit on November 7 at Celebrate Church in Sioux Falls. Place monetary gifts in the baskets in our kitchen serving window by October 25. Thank you.

A High School retreat will be held at Inspiration Hills Oct 30-Nov 1. The weekend includes worship, chapel, activities, games, and fellowship. Register at www.inspirationhills.org/hsretreat.

A Middle School fall retreat will be held at Inspiration Hills Nov 6-8 with a fun, faith-filled weekend. Students will experience worship, chapel, activities, games, time with friends, and a weekend away at camp. Register at www.inspirationhills.org/msretreat.

Bring discarded clothing/rags to our church at any time for the "Rags to Roofing" project at the Union Gospel Mission.

"Words of Hope" devotionals are available by the mailboxes in the fellowship hall or online at woh.org. Please share them with others.

Go to www.secondreformed.com to join our email prayer chain group. Click "services" at the top of the page, scroll down and click the "join" button in the prayer chain section. Contact Jerod Zimmer or Kristi Rops for assistance. **You may also participate in a phone prayer chain group.** Contact Kristi Rops to be added to a phone group.

Contact Jerod Zimmer, Shellene Smidt, or Charish Weeldreyer if you would like to give offerings by automatic bank withdrawals.

Last Sunday we received \$2,171 for the general fund (\$3,457 needed weekly to meet the general fund budget) and \$50 for the building fund.

TODAY:

Welcome to Second Reformed Church! We invite all visitors to sign the guest book and to join us for fellowship following worship.

Music: Judy Schlunsen

Greeters: Janice Boomgarden and Linda Olmstead

Coffee: Eugene & Dale Dannen, Dean & Cinda Rippentrop,
and Maxine Bossman

8:55-9:25 AM – Koffee Kiosk (bring your own covered mug)

9:30 AM – Worship Service

10:25 AM – Preschool-5th Grade "Little Lambs" Choir and Sunday School

10:30 AM – Coffee/Fellowship Time

10:45 AM – 6th-12th Grade Video Series on "The Power of Prayer"

11:15 AM – Classes Dismiss

5:00 PM – Worship Service and Meal at Freedom's Gate Church

THIS WEEK:

Monday – Office closed

Tuesday – "Sewing for Others" at 1:00 PM

Wednesday – 6th-8th Grade Youth at 6:30 PM

High School Youth at 7:40 PM

Friday – Bulletin information due by 9:00 AM

NEXT SUNDAY:

Koffee Kiosk from 8:55-9:25 AM; Worship Service at 9:30 AM; Music – Diana Smit; Greeters & Special Music Coordinators – Pastor Harlan & Verlaine Hayunga; Coffee/Cookie Servers – Brad & Teresa Smidt and Bob & Karla Smit; Preschool-5th Grade Choir and Sunday School at 10:25 AM; Fellowship/Coffee at 10:30 AM; 6th-12th Grade Sunday School and Adult Video/Discussion series at 10:45 AM; Classes dismiss at 11:15 AM

PRAYERS:

Pray for the leaders and for all those who worship at Freedom's Gate Church in Sioux Falls.

Glorify God

Renew Through Christ's Resurrection

Affirm the Gifts of the Holy Spirit

Commit to Compassion

Evangelize All the Earth

1 Peter 1:15-16

**But just as he who called
you is holy, so be holy in all
you do; for it is written: "Be
holy, because I am holy."**

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