

Welcome to Worship

**Sibley Christian Reformed Church ...
A place to gather, worship, and praise the Lord!**

**We are imperfect
people serving a
perfect God.**

**We seek to glorify God
through worship,
building community,
and living out our faith.**



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August 23, 2026

Welcome to Worship at Sibley CRC
Pastor Ben Wiersma
August 23, 2026

MORNING WORSHIP

WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements

Opening Prayer

*God's Greeting

*We Greet One Another

*Responsive Call to Worship: **Psalm 86:8-10**

*Song of Praise: **"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"** Red #8:1-4

WE ARE RENEWED IN THE GRACE OF GOD

Call to Confession: **WSB pg. 85 #16**

Prayer of Confession (in unison): **WSB pg. 90 #13**

Assurance of Forgiveness: **2 Corinthians 4:6**

God's Will for Our Lives: **Acts 13:47**

Song of Praise: **"Shine Jesus Shine"** (video)

WE BRING OUR OFFERING AND PRAYERS

Offering Blue bag – **General Budget**

Red bag – **Hope Haven**

Pastoral Prayer

WE GATHER AROUND THE WORD OF GOD

*Song of Preparation: **"O Word of God Incarnate"** Red #269:1-4

*Prayer for Illumination

Scripture: **Luke 16:1-13 (p. 1625)**

Sermon: **"Wait... What?"**

Prayer for Application

*Song of Response: **"Immortal, Invisible"** Red #25:1-3

WE LEAVE TO SERVE GOD WITH THANKFUL HEARTS

*God's Parting Blessing

*Parting Song: **"Immortal, Invisible"** Red #25:4

*Moment of Reflection

Postlude

*you are invited to stand

Evening Worship
Rev. Jack Van Dyken

5:00 P.M.

Welcome

Call to Worship

God's Greeting

Song of Praise: **"Alleluia! Alleluia!" Red #215:1-3**

Profession of Faith: **Heidelberg Catechism Lord's Day 17 (Q&A 45)**

Song of Faith: **"Christ the Lord is Risen Today" Red #217:1-4**

Memory Verses: **Hebrews 2:18; Psalm 119:9,11; Romans 8:32; Philippians 4:19**

Scripture: **Matthew 6:25-34**

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon: **"Put Christ First"**

Prayer for Application

Song of Application: **"Living for Jesus" Red #372:1-4**

Congregational Prayer

Song: **"Because He Lives" Red #213:1-3**

*Benediction

*Closing Song: **"Gloria Patri" Red #622**

*Moment of Reverence

*you are invited to stand

Hebrews 2:18

Because he himself suffered when he was tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted.

Psalms 119:9,11

How can a young man keep his way pure? By living according to your word....I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you.

Romans 8:32

He who did not spare His own Son, but gave Him up for us all—how will He not also, along with Him, graciously give us all things?

Philippians 4:19

And my God will meet all your needs according to His glorious riches in Christ Jesus.

CHURCH CALENDAR

	August 23	August 30
Offering	Hope Haven	F. Street Neighborhood Church
PowerPoint	Jeff	Missi
Sound	Nate	Darrell
Praise Team	Judy, Lisa, Scott, Mike	(none)
Accompanists	Janie	Elaine
Coffee	Missi, Sydney, & Lydia	Carol S. & Judy S.
Nursery	Mary Ellen, Missi	Lori, Lydia

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today we are singing “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” in honor of **Mary Ellen Smidt’s birthday (Aug. 20)**. She writes, “This has been a favorite hymn of mine for many years. The lyrics of praise and adoration tell of our Lord’s almighty power in all of creation; and the lyrics also express God’s love, mercy and goodness toward those who love Him.”

Free Food Available—The Food Bank of Iowa mobile pantry will be distributing food on Thursday, August 27, from 4 - 6 p.m. at the Sibley Christian Reformed Church at 115 Maple Dr., Sibley. Please bring your own boxes or bags. Also, if you are picking up food for another household, you will need a signed note from them including the name, address, and number of people in the household.

Fellowship Meal - Fish Fry – Sept. 13 – around 11:30 am

There is a sign up sheet on the podium to help out with some of the food. We would also appreciate it if you would sign up to help with food and/or if you will be coming. We would love to have you invite family or friends to join you in attending, just write how many there will be in your family.

Equipping for Spiritual Warfare is the focus of the upcoming **Dunamis Project**, which will be October 1-4 in Milford, Iowa. If you are moving in the gifts of the Holy Spirit and seeking to advance the kingdom of God, then you will inevitably come across spiritual opposition, whether it is subtle or direct. This course will give systematic teaching and experience of what that is and how to deal with it. Participants will have opportunities to practice what they learn. To learn more and register, visit www.primi.org/dpmilford. If you have questions, talk to Pastor Ben or Lisa.

Donations for Helping Hands Pregnancy Center

During the month of August our church would love to bless Helping Hand pregnancy center with needed donations. **They are in need of diapers, gas gift cards, Walmart gift cards, baby soap, nail-clipper kits, & unscented laundry detergent.** Please put your donations on the table west of the double doors in the fellowship hall. We will be collecting donations through the whole month of August. Thank you for serving with your donations

The CRC Prayer Guide offers a way to pray for our shared ministry as a denomination, with specific prayer requests for each day of the year. Printed copies of the August Prayer Guide are on the table in the entryway.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Osceola Regional Health Center is having a No Tag Sale Saturday August 29th from

9:00am to 1:30pm at Central Park Sibley. "Name your price" many items available for sale.

Lunch will be served with a Free-will Donation Menu: Hot dogs, brats, chips, snacks and drink

Love Inc is in need of drivers from Osceola County to give people rides for medical appointments locally and to Sioux Falls. They are in need of more men and women or couples who are able to give rides. Please contact Pastor Ben from Sibley CRC if you are able to help (712-461-1400). Thank you.

SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

All Unity families, teachers, staff, and supporters are invited to join us on **Sunday, August 23, from 7:30–8:30 PM** for a Prayer Walk & Fellowship. We will begin in the **courtyard** and then divide into two groups:

Jericho Prayer Walk Group

This group will circle the outside of the school building six times while praying silently. On the seventh lap, we will pray out loud in one accord, asking God to tear down any strongholds the enemy may be trying to build at our school.

Traditional Prayer Walk Group

This group will follow a map through the various areas of the school, praying for God to build His kingdom for His glory throughout the upcoming school year.

“Arise, cry out in the night, as the watches of the night begin; pour out your heart like water in the presence of the Lord. Lift up your hands to Him for the lives of your children...”

Lamentations 2:19

Please come and be a part of this important work as we pray over our school, students, staff, and the upcoming school year. Our Prayer Walk will conclude at 8:30 PM with a make-your-own ice cream sundae fellowship! Questions? Please contact Sue Dykstra at 712-360-0650 or susandykstra@gmail.com

Prayers for our Church Family

*Pray for Janie's upcoming knee replacement surgery (Oct. 6).

*Be with the areas that are experiencing flooding in Indiana and Illinois.

*Thankful for those who faithfully watch our services on Youtube, and that we are able to livestream our services for those who are unable to be in church.

*The food pantry is coming up on August 27.

Continue to pray for those in our **church family:

Bev Baumgarn, Evelyn Runia, Chris Morris, Scott Arneson, Arnie Braaksma, Clarence Jilderda, Danielle and her mom, Travaille family, Ruth Grotenhuis, Crista Smidt, Janie Vande Griend.

Prayers for **family and friends of our church family:

Aaron Teerink, Abby (Katie's S-I-L, stem cell procedure), Bob and EJ (B-I-Ls to Janie)

**Prayers for those in our community

Maddie Van Engen

Missionaries and Ministries We Support

- Lauren and Connie Runia
- Mike and Megan Ribbens
- Mark K. family
- Cornerstone Prison Church
- Northern Lighthouse
- Jeff & Chelsea Lampen

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**Announcements for the bulletin must
be in by Wednesday afternoon.**

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Baptism is administered as requested
Communion observed Maundy Thursday
& the second Sunday of each month,
(subject to change as needed)

If an event is cancelled due to
weather, please check your
email or KIWA for updates.