



Walking with Jesus

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Serving God

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WELCOME

August 9, 2026

Welcome! As we gather in worship, may we be encouraged by the words of Romans 12:12: *"Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer."* May this verse remind us to place our hope in Christ, trust Him through every season, and remain steadfast in prayer. We pray today's service strengthens your faith and draws you closer to the Lord. We're glad you're here!

CHURCH INFORMATION

Worship—10:00AM

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THIS WEEK AT HOPE

Sunday, August 9

- 9:00AM—Education Task Force Meeting
- 10:00AM—Worship Service

Tuesday, August 11

- 1:00PM—Esther Circle

Wednesday, August 12

- 5:15PM—Pairs & Spares

Sunday, August 16

- 9:00AM—Worship Task Force Meeting
- 10:00AM—Worship Service

MINISTRIES THIS WEEK AND NEXT WEEK

This Week, August 9

Greeters: Matthew & Melissa G.

Nursery: Vonda M. and Annabelle R.

Sound System: Craig S.

Power Point: Cory A.

Children's Sermon: Kathy A.

Fellowship Treats: Kathy A.

Next Week, August 16

Greeters: Don & Audrey G.

Nursery: Nancy P. and Abby R.

Sound System: Bert R.

Power Point: Sandy R.

Children's Sermon: RCYF

Fellowship Treats:

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

- Ministries: Kims, Living Stone Ministries, Gideons, Sunny Hesby
- Shut-ins—Audrey G.
- Kelsey Choi, Mike Modder, Craig Sandbulte
- Pastor Steve—During deployment
- Brenda Sandbulte—Recovery from surgery
- DeLeeuw Family—Shane's mom, Burnett, in hospice
- Lois Jurrens, Lee Hilbrands—Recovery following falls

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The Bread of Life ask for August is **cereal**.
- Serving Coffee: There is one more Sunday in August to be filled with a willing volunteer to serve coffee and bars/cookies. Please sign up for next Sunday, the 16th if you are able and willing! No need to bake since there are still some goodies in the freezers.
- Esther Circle meets this Tuesday, August 11th at 1:00PM. Devotions: Bev L.; Location, Lunch, & Lesson: Jo V.E.
- Pairs & Spares will be going to the Pizza Ranch in Orange City on Wednesday, August 12. Carpooling from Ebenezer at 5:15pm.
- Everyone is invited to Salem Reformed Church's Night of Music featuring The Ebel Family! Please join us for an evening of beautiful, Christ-centered music on Sunday, August 16th at 7:00 p.m. in the church sanctuary. Following the program, an ice cream social will be held in the church basement. Come enjoy a wonderful evening of music and fellowship. We hope to see you there!
- ATLAS will be hosting a come-and-go meeting with Kathleen Fritz from C.A.S.A. on August 19th from 11a-1p. Court Appointed Special Advocates are ordinary people who care about children. They volunteer their time to support and advocate for children who currently have a case in the Child Welfare System.
- The Iowa 99 County Bible Reading Marathon will be held on the courthouse lawn from 10:30AM-7:00PM on August 19th and 20th. Please see the flyer in the narthex if you would like more information.
- Our outdoor worship service will be held on Sunday, August 23rd on the church grounds with a potluck and games to follow.
- Lift remodel project update: The amount budgeted for the project was \$86,680.00 and the actual cost was \$78,819.38, for a difference of \$7,860.62.
- The LifeWise Academy Boyden and Hull classrooms are looking for people to share God's love and who are willing to give their time to help students grow in their faith. Please consider volunteering 1 time every 4-6 weeks, knowing that you will make a lasting impact on a child's life. Hours at our Boyden (elementary classroom) are Tuesdays 11:30-3:30 and Thursdays 11:30-2:30. Jr. High session in Hull is 11:30-1:15 on Wednesdays. Please contact Kelley Crawford 712-548-7947 or Tina Koerselman 712-540-4117 if interested or if you have any questions.
- The prayer bookmarks for August have been printed and can be found in the small black basket in the MESA box at the bottom of the mailboxes.

WORSHIP

Prelude—Marlene Stubbe

Call to Worship

Invocation

Hymn—#136—*Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!*

Prayer of Confession and Words of Assurance

Hymn—#486—*Have Thine Own Way*

Update from The Gideons—Dennis Schrick

Announcements and Congregational Prayer

Hymn—#248—*I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light*

Children's Message—Kathy Altena

Scripture—Romans 12:9-13:14

Sermon—Instructions to the Church: How Not to Kill the Church

Prayer of Application

Offering and Offertory Hymn—#595—*They'll Know We Are Christians*

Doxology (#34) & Offertory Prayer

*Benediction—#393—*Blest Be the Tie That Binds (vs. 1)*

SERMON NOTES

Relationships are hard

Family/Work relationships - What does Scripture say about them?

What is the purpose of the Church

One -

Two -

Traps to implementing these purposes

One -

Two -

Civil/government relationships

What is the biblical responsibility of those who govern?

What are the biblical responsibilities of those who are governed?