# The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and Earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and buried. He descended into Hell. The third day He arose again from the dead. He ascended into Heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy universal Church; the Communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

# The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, Who art in Heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

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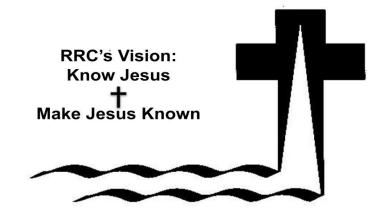
in to the office by Wednesday afternoon.

<u>Check us out on Facebook:</u> www.facebook.com/riverviewreformedchurch

<u>You may</u> e-mail messages to the church office at rprc@iw.net

Check out our website at <u>Riverviewreformed.org</u>

You can view the weekly bulletin and monthly calendar on our web page



# Ríverview Reformed Church

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# SUNDAY, November 30, 2025 1st Sunday of Advent

9:15 AM Pre-Service Prayer time - 9:30 AM Worship

RRC MISSION STATEMENT:

Share Jesus in an uncertain world led by the Spirit.

Acts 1:7-8 NIV

#### PRAISE GOD

Prelude Welcome

Life at RRC/Announcements

(Please sign the attendance pads in the pews)

\*Greet One Another

\*Opening Hymn #83 "O Come, O Come Emmanuel" (Red Hymnal)

\*Opening Prayer

Hymn #84 "Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus" (Red Hymnal)
(Please be seated for the hymn)

Scripture Lesson - Psalm 31:1-5

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Advent Wreath - the Davis and Sternhagen Families "HOPE"

#### HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

Pastoral Prayer /Lord's Prayer

Scripture Lesson - 1 Peter 2:1-10

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**MESSAGE** 

"Living Stones"

by Pastor Brian Narcomey

GIVE TO GOD

OFFERING, Our Response to God's Love

\*Doxology

\*Offertory Prayer

#### GO WITH GOD AND SERVE

\*Closing Hymn #143 "Infant Holy, Infant Lowly" (BLUE Hymnal)

\*Benediction

\*Choral Benediction - "Go Now In Peace"

Go now in peace, Never be afraid. God will go with you each hour of ev'ry day. Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true. Know He will guide you in all you do. Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see. God will be there watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.

Postlude

#### \*PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE

ORGANIST: Bobbi Jo Carr LAY LEADER: Rodney Gall HYVEE CARDS: Jean Prater NURSERY: Elaine Poelstra PIANIST: Teresa Gall GREETERS: Gary & Geraldine Schnabel OPEN/CLOSE: Jean Prater

ERY: Elaine Poeistra

# WELCOME!!

THANK YOU for being here this morning!! It was a joy being with you!

<u>A Children's Worship Bulletin</u> is on the foyer table for any younger children to use during the Worship Service.

**A nursery** is available down the hallway past the water fountain for young children to use during the morning worship.

#### God will be speaking to you today...but not by cell phone.

Please turn your phones off or set to vibrate during the worship service

<u>Please Remember</u> although we aren't passing the offering plates, PLEASE deposit your offerings in the boxes by the sanctuary doors on your way into the sanctuary at the beginning of the service, or you can still send your offerings to the church thru the mail, bring them at any time and slip them in the mail slot of the door on the south west corner of the sanctuary (behind the piano area), or you can ask one of the deacons about the on-line giving site https://tithe.ly/widget/v3/give.js?3 which is also available on the church website

<u>For where two or three are gathered</u> together in my name, there am I in the midst of them. Matthew 18:20 (KJV)

**PRE-SERVICE PRAYER TIME** We have our pre-service prayer time on Sunday mornings at 9:15 AM before the Worship Service, meeting in the adult Sunday School room across from the Library. All are welcome to join in prayer for the service.

You can see RRC Church Services broadcast on your Public Access Channels in Yankton on Saturday evenings at 7:00 PM

*Thank you to* Brian Narcomey from Center of Hope in Sioux Falls, for being our guest minister this morning.

<u>Thank you to</u> the Davis & Sternhagen Families for doing the Advent Wreath this morning.

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**Women's Afternoon Bible Study News:** We will be doing the "Adopt a Family" again for Christmas. Jean Prater is coordinating it. Please see her for details. Plans are to wrap the presents and get the items together on Thursday, December 11 at 2:00 at the normal Bible Study time.

**Hall Of Trees** November 28—Dec. 31 (closed December 25) at the Mead Museum. RRC DOES have a tree at the Museum. Come check it out!! Open daily 10 AM—5 PM Monday thru Friday; 1 PM—5 PM Saturday & Sundays; Friday Night Lights 5—8 PM. Kids and members are FREE - Adults \$10, Seniors 65+ \$8. For the Kids: Scavenger Hunt on all 3 floors (win a prize) For all ages: Free hot cocoa & coffee, vote for your Favorite Tree (RRC'S TREE!!), Vintage furs display. Santa Sundays: Kids Crafts, visit Santa 2-4 PM on Dec. 7, 14, & 21. Friday Night Lights: Open until 8 PM—Live music and fun features, use it as a date night or Girls Night Out.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING: Update from the meeting. Much discussion was held on the future of RRC. Also, no 'election' was held. The Consistory voted to go from 5 elders down to 4 elders, as no candidates were secured for Elder elections. We needed 2 new deacons and only 2 candidates agreed to be on the ballot. Elaine Poelstra and Lisa Pibal will be the new Deacons beginning in January 2026.

**Mount Marty University** Vespers "An English Cathedral Christmas". December 6 at 4:00 & 7:00 PM

**Just Cuz' & Dixie** will have a fun afternoon of entertainment for you on Sunday, December 7, at 2:00 PM at the AME Chapel.

Yankton Area Women's Connection "A Country Christmas" Join us as we combine the warmth of country charm with the celebration of Christmas. Let's gather for crafting, singing and Christmas fun. Speaker Cynthia Sheppard from Flandreau, will share her journey of "An Exchanged Life". Tuesday, December 9 at 6:30 PM at the River Rock Event Center (2901 Broadway). \$15 meal and program. RSVP by December 7 to 402-254-2102 or 605-660-0378. Reservations required, cancellations essential.

**COMMUNITY CALENDAR** In the Fellowship Hall by the kitchen window is a new "community calendar". Please feel free to write on it any upcoming concerts, sporting events, performances, etc, that you, or a family member is involved in, so we can all know about and support. On the date, be sure to write the time, the event, where it is, and WHO is involved. (Example: upcoming Nutcracker performance, times, and who is performing). Let's support each other in our community.

<u>DECEMBER CALENDARS</u> are available on the foyer and Fellowship Hall tables to take home.

**Thank you to** everyone who filled boxes for Operation Christmas Child. RRC donated 20 boxes along with \$500.

At the Cross: A silent prayer walk is held at our church at 5:30 PM every Wednesday. Come as you are. We meet outside 'at the cross', weather permitting. We walk silently around our church for approximately 15 minutes. We walk to pray for our future here at RRC. We walk to pray for our future church and for our future church members. Every person of every denomination or no current denomination is welcome, also. We walk to pray for you for your unspoken prayers. IF YOU CANNOT BE HERE AT THE CROSS, please feel free to take 15 minutes of silent prayer in your home or wherever you are, with us, from 5:30-5:45 PM each Wednesday. When the weather is not cooperating, we will meet in the Sanctuary.

Counseling Center - "Anew Haven of Hope" Diana Smallwood is our new counselor with "Anew Haven of Hope". Diana's office hours will be Tuesday thru Friday from 9 AM to 5 PM with seeing clients. The far south room, across from the Library, will be her client room. We ask that you please respect her counseling space. At times, the library may be used as a waiting room, so you are aware if you wish to access the library during the week. Please be in prayer for the success of the counseling center

Consistory Notes Consistory met on 11/10/2025. We opened with prayer. A Zoom meeting was held with Jeff Allen from Thrive Coaching network. He laid the plan for the coming months as we work on remembering years with previous pastors and ongoing assessment of what we want to become. Jeff encourages the board and the whole congregation to engage in prayer about the future of RRC. Devotions were from Ephesians 4:1-6. The Elders are starting a weekly prayer walk on Wednesdays at 5:30 PM. Everyone is invited to participate. There will not be a Thanksgiving Eve service this year. The Christmas Eve service will begin at 5:00 PM. The Deacons reported current finances: General \$44,214; Building \$15,898; Youth \$1143.

**Our Sympathy** to Donna & Cliff Madsen and family and friends, after the passing of Donna's brother, Dutch Steenhoven.

## COMING EVENTS... This week at RRC

#### Today, Sunday, November 30 1st Sunday of Advent

9:15 AM Pre-Service Prayer time

9:30 AM Worship service

10:45 AM Riverview Kids

10:50 AM Adult Sunday School

7:00 PM Community Bible Study

#### Monday, December 1

9:30 AM Women's Exercise Class

7:00 PM Boy Scouts

#### Tuesday, December 2

7:00 PM Youth Group at CTKL

#### Wednesday, December 3

9:30 AM Women's Exercise Class

5:30 –5:45 PM Prayer Walk around the church (see announcement)

#### Thursday, December 4

10:30 AM Help decorate the church for Christmas

#### Friday, December 5

9:30 AM Women's Exercise Class

#### Next Sunday, December 7 - 2nd Sunday of Advent

9:15 AM Pre-Service Prayer time

9:30 AM Worship

COMMUNION

Pulpit Supply—Dave Reck

Advent Wreath Readers - Janet Ries & Co.

Lav Leader - Colleen Palmer

Open/close Building—Baltzers

HyVee Cards - Gina Haak

Greeters - Baltzers

Nursery—Michelle Cwach

Fellowship Treats - Egges

10:45 AM Riverview Kids Sunday School

10:50 AM Adult Sunday School

#### LOOKING AHEAD:

Sunday, December 14 - Pulpit Supply, Don Veldhouse

Sunday, December 21 - Pulpit Supply, Dan Ebbens

#### LIFE AT RRC

#### **WEEKLY OFFERINGS:**

November 2: General Offering - \$2500.00

November 4: Tithely - \$35.00

November 9: General Offering - \$2869.01; Building - \$150.00

November 12: Tithely - \$60.00

November 16: General Offering - \$2307.00; Building - \$50.00

November 18: Tithely - \$60.00

November 23: General Offering - \$1915.0; Building - \$350.00

To fully support the budget, offerings need to average \$3200 weekly

<u>Don't forget</u>—**HyVee Cards**...a fundraiser for the Building fund. HyVee cards are available during the week when the office is open or on Sunday mornings before the worship service in the Foyer

William Farrar wrote: "I am only one, but I am one; I cannot do everything, but I can do something; What I can do, I ought to do.

And what I ought to do, by the grace of God, I will do"

# A CHALLENGE: After an open and honest time of sharing at the annual

meeting on Nov. 2. the Consistory would like to challenge each of you to commit yourself to help Riverview Reformed Church in at least one area of service that you are not currently doing. Some suggestions for areas of service are: Greeters, Praise Song Leaders, Lay leaders, Piano/Organ player, Video/Technical Person, Teach/Help with Riverview Kids, Bring and serve treats after services, Join a Ministry Team, Open/Close church on Sundays, sell HyVee Cards, Join Prayer time before worship at 9:15 AM, Provide Special Music, Help with Seasonal Decorations (Christmas decorating), Help in the Nursery, Cinderella's Closet (free prom dresses for high school girls), Youth Group, with landscaping along the church building....pulling weeds in the rocks thru the spring/ summer, cutting back plants in the fall, or in the Memory Garden, (Additional note: You do NOT have to be a member to participate in any of the above areas. If you are not comfortable being on a scheduled rotation, but would be willing to be a substitute, please let us know that, also. The more people on the schedules, the fewer times your turn comes up. And if you know you will be gone on your 'scheduled' Sunday, we can switch/ swap/substitute with someone else on the rotation. A 'schedule' comes out every 4 months so you can plan in advance.) CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE IF INTEREST.

<u>Volunteers for Ministry of Music & Fellowship Time Treats</u> If you are interested in volunteering to do a Ministry of Music, or to provide treats for after church fellowship time, there are sign up sheets on the foyer table.

Adult 'video' Sunday School class: Lesson 4 of "The Promise of Heaven" will be shown, "The Celestial City" In this lesson we learn of the glory of the New Jerusalem.

NOVEMBER 17 HAPPENINGS!! MOVIE NIGHT: The next Movie Night will be Wednesday December 17th at 6:30 PM. "I'm Glad It's Christmas". Come enjoy some popcorn, hot cocoa, and some Christmas spirit.

BEFORE THE MOVIE on the 17th—Come at 5:00 PM and go Christmas carol-

ing (we will only go to a couple of assisted living homes). We will meet back at church by 6:00 PM for a quick meal, then stay for the movie. There is a sign up sheet on the foyer table for those wanting to go caroling (so we know who to expect to carpool) and for who would like to come and eat at 6:00 PM (so we know how much food to prepare) Come and go caroling, eat, and enjoy the movie OR come and eat and enjoy the movie, OR come and go caroling, and eat, OR just come for the movie. So many ways to choose.

**CHRISTMAS DECORATING** THURSDAY, December 4 at 10:30 AM. All are welcome to come and help decorate for Christmas

**DONATIONS OF POINSETTIAS** are welcome to help decorate the Sanctuary

for Christmas. Please purchase on your own and bring to church at any time. If you would like to donate in Memory/Honor of someone, contact the office.

Riverview Kids Christmas Program will be during morning worship on Sunday, December 21 (9:30 AM)

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service will be December 24 at 5:00 PM