

Morning Order of Worship

Sioux Center United Reformed Church
Sunday, October 12, 2025

OPENING OF SERVICE

- * Call to Worship
- * Prayer of Invocation
- * God's Greeting
- * Psalm of Praise: 148B *Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah*

SERVICE OF RECONCILIATION

Call to Confession
Psalm of Confession: 32B *How Blest Is He Whose Trespass*
Assurance of Pardon

SERVICE OF GRATITUDE

Responsive Reading of the Law from the Epistles
Congregational Prayer

SERVICE OF THE WORD

- * Hymn of Preparation: 172 *Speak, O Lord*
- Prayer of Illumination
- Scripture: 1 Kings 10:1-29
- Message: **THE QUEEN OF SHEBA**
- Prayer of Application

CLOSING OF SERVICE

- * Psalm of Response: 72A:1,4,6,8 *O God, Your Judgments Give the King*
Offertory Prayer
- Psalm of Thanksgiving: 136:1,2,3,6 *O Thank the LORD, for He Is Good*
Offering: General Fund (received during song)
- * Benediction
- * Doxology: 150C:1,3 *Sing Hallelujah! Praise the LORD!* (unannounced)

**Please stand if you are able*

THE QUEEN OF SHEBA

Scripture: 1 Kings 10:1-29
October 12, 2025 AM
Rev. Jon Bushnell

1. The Royal Visit

2. The Golden Age

Questions for Personal and Family Devotions

1. What safeguards can help you ensure that wealth or success do not subtly become your source of identity or trust?
2. Gold and glory filled Jerusalem, but these were fleeting. What "gold" in your life might tempt you to lose sight of what truly lasts?
3. Wealth itself isn't condemned in Scripture – but the *love of it* is. How can you cultivate gratitude for God's blessings without becoming enslaved to them?
4. Solomon's horses, chariots, and trade deals looked impressive but betrayed growing compromise. What compromises are easiest for you to justify in pursuit of comfort or success?
5. The Queen of Sheba marveled at Solomon's splendor – but Jesus said, "One greater than Solomon is here." How does seeing Christ's greater wisdom and glory shape your attitude toward wealth, worship, and trust?

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THE CHURCH GATHERS TOGETHER

- * Call to Worship
- * Prayer of Invocation
- * God's Greeting
- * Psalm of Praise: 138B *With Grateful Heart My Thanks I Bring*

TO AFFIRM OUR FAITH

- * The Apostles' Creed (pg. 851)
- * Psalm of Response: 56:1,2,5 *O God, Be Merciful*

TO PRAISE GOD

Psalm 128

Psalm of Response: 128A *How Blest Are All Who Fear the LORD*

FOR SERVICE OF GRATITUDE

Congregational Prayer

TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

- * Psalm of Preparation: 22A:1,6,11 *My God, My God, O Why Have You Forsaken Me?*

The Heidelberg Catechism, Lord's Day 16 (pg. 878)

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture: Matthew 27:45-61

Message: **"DEAD, AND BURIED; HE DESCENDED INTO HELL"**

Prayer of Application

AND DEPARTS TO SERVE

- * Hymn of Response: 348 *Glory Be to Jesus*
- Offertory Prayer
- Psalm of Thanksgiving: 116C *What Shall I Render to the Lord*
- Offering: Mission Fund (offering received during song)
- * Benediction
- * Doxology: 106A:1 *O Sing Hallelujah!* (unannounced)

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2. Did Christ Die for All?

3. Why Was Christ Buried?

4. How Does Christ's Death Benefit Us?

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