

# Morning Order of Worship

Sioux Center United Reformed Church

Sunday, January 18, 2026

## “FOR I AM SURE...”

Scripture: Romans 8:31-39

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Rev. Jon Bushnell

### OPENING OF SERVICE

- \* Call to Worship
- \* Prayer of Invocation
- \* God’s Greeting
- \* Hymn of Praise: 277 *Before the Throne of God Above*

### SERVICE OF RECONCILIATION

- Call to Confession
- Prayer of Confession
- Assurance of Pardon: 433:1,2,3,6 *Amazing Grace!*
- God’s Will for Our Lives

### PROFESSION OF FAITH

- \* Hymn: 446:1,2,5 *Be Thou My Vision*
- Profession of Faith (pg. 18)
  - Eddie Bergstrom, Niya Bergstrom, Anastasiya Bergstrom, Alyvia Bleeker, Savannah Bleeker, Romee Bleeker, Tyler Bleeker, Brayden Geels, Eli Geleynse, Alexa Schouten, Brooke Zomer, Dylan Zomer
- \* The Apostles’ Creed (pg. 851)

### SERVICE OF GRATITUDE

- Congregational Prayer

### SERVICE OF THE WORD

- \* Hymn of Preparation: 265 *In Christ Alone*
- Prayer of Illumination
- Scripture: Romans 8:31-39
- Message: “FOR I AM SURE...”
- Prayer of Application

### CLOSING OF SERVICE

- \* Hymn of Response: 351 *How Deep the Father’s Love for Us*
- Offertory Prayer
- Hymn of Thanksgiving: 184 *Lord, You Love the Cheerful Giver*
- Offering: Christian Education Fund (received during song)
- \* Benediction
- \* Doxology: 103C:1,2 *Come, My Soul, and Bless the LORD* (unannounced)

*\*Please stand if you are able*

1. If God Is for Us, Who Can Be Against Us?
2. Who Shall Bring Any Charge Against God’s Elect?
3. Who Shall Separate Us from the Love of Christ?

### Questions for Personal and Family Devotions

1. How have you been responding to the truths of your salvation lately: with confidence, fear, gratitude, or indifference?
2. Who or what currently feels “against you” in your life (people, circumstances, fears, spiritual struggles)?
3. In hard seasons, what makes you most tempted to doubt that God is really for you?
4. What difference does it make that Christ not only died, but was raised, exalted, and is interceding for you right now?
5. How does it encourage you that this passage speaks of Christ’s love for you, not your love for Christ?

# Evening Order of Worship

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## THE CHURCH GATHERS TOGETHER

- \* Call to Worship
- \* Prayer of Invocation
- \* God's Greeting
- \* Psalm of Praise: 122A:1,3 *I Was Filled with Joy and Gladness*

## TO AFFIRM OUR FAITH

- \* The Nicene Creed (pg. 852)
- \* Psalm of Response: 33:1,4,5 *With Joy Let Us Sing to the LORD*

## TO PRAISE GOD

Psalm 140

Psalm of Response: 140 *O Save Me, LORD, from Evil Men*

## FOR SERVICE OF GRATITUDE

Congregational Prayer

## TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

- \* Hymn of Preparation: 406:1,4,7,9 *Jesus, with Thy Church Abide*  
The Heidelberg Catechism, Lord's Day 21, Q/A 55 (pg. 881)
- Prayer of Illumination
- Scripture: 1 Corinthians 12:1-11
- Message: **"THE COMMUNION OF SAINTS"**
- Prayer of Application

## AND DEPARTS TO SERVE

- \* Hymn of Response: 410 *Christian Hearts in Love United*
- Offertory Prayer
- Psalm of Thanksgiving: 92B *It Is Good to Sing Your Praises*  
Offering: General Fund (offering received during song)
- \* Benediction
- \* Doxology: 113B:1,2 *Praise God, O Servants of the Lord*  
(unannounced)

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## "THE COMMUNION OF SAINTS"

Heidelberg Catechism, Lord's Day 21, Q/A 55

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

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1. Communion with Christ: To Each Believer

2. Gifts from the Spirit: Is Given

3. Life Together in the Church: For the Common Good

### Questions for Personal and Family Devotions

1. In what ways have you been tempted to see the "communion of saints" as optional rather than essential to your Christian life?
2. Have you ever thought, "*I don't really have anything to offer the church*"? What does 1 Corinthians 12:7 say in response to that?
3. When you think about your gifts, do you see them as something you earned or something you received?
4. How does the diversity of gifts in this congregation reveal the wisdom of God?
5. Where are you currently receiving from the body – and where are you giving?