

AUGUST 16, 2026



MIDDLEBURG FREE GRACE
REFORMED CHURCH

Knowing Jesus and making Jesus known



WELCOME

WE ARE SO GLAD YOU ARE HERE TO WORSHIP WITH US!

Worship

August 16, 2026

Prelude

Praise & Worship Time

Yet Not I

Power in the Blood

Grace Alone

Prayer

Congregational Greeting Time

Children's Message – Rus Verburg

Announcements

Congregational & Offertory Prayer

Hymn # 210 – Praise to the Lord, the Almighty (vs.1-4)

Offering

Message – Spiritual Wisdom – Colossians 1:9-14

Hymn # 599 – Jesus is Lord of All (vs.1-3)

Special Offering – Improvement Fund

Benediction

Hymn # 599 – Jesus is Lord of All (refrain only)

Postlude

Today:

We welcome Pastor Cody Raak as he leads us in worship. We cordially welcome the Raak family to Middleburg and pray that God will bless him and our congregation as we begin this new chapter together.

Our special offering today is for our Improvement Fund which is running in the negative right now. We have made a lot of updates and repairs on the church and parsonage in the last six months or so including the new garage, a fence by the parsonage, repairs to the belltower/steeple, a radon mitigation system in the parsonage, and many other cosmetic repairs to the church and parsonage. We also put a roof on the parsonage that was in bad condition. If you feel led to give to this fund, it would be greatly appreciated.

Everyone is invited to the fellowship hall to enjoy coffee and lemonade.

11:30 AM – Join us today for our welcome church potluck for Pastor Cody and Kait and their family.

If you are a visitor, we would like to make contact with you. Please fill out a “Welcome to the Family” card located by the sanctuary doors and place it in Rus Verburg’s church mailbox. Thank you for coming!

PRAYER CONCERN

We want to remember church members and friends in our prayers:

- ❖ Jill De Ruyter and family following the memorial service for Mark this past week. Uphold them in this time of bereavement.
- ❖ Pat Buyert as she recovers from knee surgery.
- ❖ Carol Atkins, Marilyn Schafer's sister, who has been diagnosed with cancer.
- ❖ Kraayenbrink Family as their daughter, Sarah, has been diagnosed with breast cancer.
- ❖ Grace Van Der Zwaag who is being treated for lung cancer.
- ❖ Matt Punt, Heidi Oolman's cousin, as he recovers from injuries due to a plane crash.
- ❖ Pastor Cody and his family as they transition to their new surroundings.
- ❖ Our beloved elderly members who are unable to gather with us.
- ❖ Members of our military families who are currently serving on active duty.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Gifts from the Garden - "Give and receive with a grateful heart"

A table has been set up in our fellowship room to share excess garden produce from mid-summer into fall. Clean/dry vegetables and fruits can be set on this table for others to take. Plastic bags are provided, and the only days food can be on this table is late Saturday into Sunday. Whatever food is left after Sunday service/activities is either taken back or removed and the table will be cleaned up until the next weekend. Contact Gloria Miller or Ashley Schuiteman with any questions.

Church Directory – We will be printing copies of our church directory this fall. Please review your profile on our Online Directory to ensure everything is accurate. If you want to update your photo or information now would be a good time. If you have any questions or need help with this, please contact Tara or Carol Kooiker.

Life Groups – We look forward to Life Groups starting this fall. The groups will be staying the same. If you are not already in a Life Group and would like to join, or if you were previously in a group and would like to be removed from the list, please let Tara know at freegracereformed@gmail.com. Life Groups start in September and end in March. We meet every third Sunday of the month. We will be studying II Peter by Kyle Idlerman. We look forward to growing in our faith together.

LifeWise Academy – The 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 one 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. The Jr. High session in Hull is 11:30-1:15 on Wednesdays. Please contact Kelly Crawford (712-548-7947) or Tina Koerselman (712-540-4117) if interested or if you have any questions.

August 23 – Kid’s Corner. Parents are welcome to drop off their children, ages 2-10, after the church service for about 45 minutes. in the northwest yard to play outside. They will be able to play with balls and other outdoor toys while supervised by volunteers so parents can fellowship in peace indoors! Older kids are welcome, too, but won’t be directly supervised. Please contact Kaylee Moss if you have any questions.

August 23 – New Life Church in Sioux Center will be hosting a community Back to School Family Worship night at 5:30pm. You are invited to join them for an evening of songs and prayer as we send our students, teachers, and families into the new year.

August 27 – Divorce Care. Bethel CRC is hosting Divorce Care this fall. This 14-week series begins August 27, from 6:30-8:00pm, and is geared to anyone who is separated, recently divorced, or has been divorced for a long time. This is free and child care will be provided. For questions or to register, please call Holly Case at 760-715-1796.

August 30, 3:00-7:00 PM – Church Picnic. Join us for an afternoon of fun at our annual event. There will be games, inflatables, prizes, great food, and so much more! A volunteer sign-up sheet is located on the MOVE table for anyone willing to help run a game station. Don’t forget to start planning your team for the obstacle course! A team sign-up sheet is also located on the MOVE table.

Birthdays:

Aug. 16 – Kase Broersma
Aug. 17 – Travis De Jong
Aug. 18 – Dot Roskam
Aug. 20 – Madison Hettinga
Aug. 22 – Ben Siemonsma
Aug. 22 – Gloria Miller
Aug. 22 – Justine Draayer
Aug. 22 – Treyton De Ruyter
Aug. 24 – Larry Vander Wilt
Aug. 26 – Brock Lehman

Anniversaries:

Aug. 17 – Arnis & Helen De Smit
Aug. 22 – Mike & Pat Buyert
Aug. 22 – Ben & Grace Van Der Zwaag
Aug. 25 – Kevin & Betty Moss
Aug. 26 – Bill & Brenda Kooiker

TODAY'S WORSHIP

Pastor - Cody Raak
Pianist - Haley B.
Sound Tech - Bryce H.
Power Point - Haylee O.
Children's Message - Rus V.
Ministry of Music - Garret Van Der Wilt
Special Offering - Improvement Fund
Ushers - Mike B. & Chad K.

Prayer Team - Dave R. & Dan O.
Coffee & Lemonade - Lana O.

NURSERY ATTENDANTS

Carmen M; Kylie M; Joslin H.

ELDER GREETERS

Pastor(E), Dave(S), Loren(W)

NEXT SUNDAY

Pastor - Cody Raak
Pianist - Nora V.
Sound Tech - Luke K.
Power Point - Tayla K.
Children's Message - None.
Ministry of Music - Harold & Carla Dykstra
Special Offering - None.
Ushers - Harlan H. & Billy H.

Prayer Team - Rich K. & Mitchal P.
Coffee & Lemonade - Dot R.

NURSERY ATTENDANTS

Brittany H; Katelyn W; Brayson K.

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OUR LEADERSHIP

ELDERS

Rich Kooiker
Dave Roskam
Kevin Moss
Evan Kraayenbrink
Loren Te Slaa

DEACONS

Tyler Van Der Zwaag
Darren Broersma
Chris Garris
Mitchal Punt
Dan Oolman



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Sunday Worship Service at 9:30 a.m. Go to our Facebook Page to view our live stream services

Please have your bulletin announcements and notices sent to our church email by 8pm on Wednesday.