

**Sunday,
June 7th,
2026**

Volga Christian Reformed Church
Pastor: Joshua Carpenter - Phone: 269-271-8603
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Morning Worship 9:30 AM: Worship Leader: Pastor Joshua Carpenter
Praise Band

Prelude

Welcome & Call to Worship - Rev. 5

Silent Prayer of Preparation

Song - PH 624 Hear our Prayer, O Lord

***Song - All Creatures of Our God and King (Screen)**

*God's Greeting

*We Greet Each Other

God's Law

Song - In Christ Alone (Screen)

Congregational Prayer

Offering: Volga Christian School & Budget

Children's Message

***Song - Christ Exalted is Our Song (Screen)**

Scripture Lesson: **Colossians 1:15-23**

Text: **Colossians 1:15-23**

Message: **"All Glory Be to Christ!"**

Prayer

***Song - All Glory Be to Christ (Screen)**

*Heidelberg Catechism Q & A 56 & Apostles' Creed

*God's Blessing

***Doxology: The Blessing (Screen)**

Postlude

*Please stand if you are able

Welcome to everyone worshipping with us today. With the love for God and for each other we reach out in friendship to everyone present. Please stay after the morning service for coffee and fellowship.

Ushers for June: Dan Runia, Zack Post; Alternate: Clyde Ulvestad
Elevator Attendant for June: Henrietta Molengraaf

Calendar:

Today: 9:30 AM Morning Worship
11:00 AM Dakota Sun Ministry
3:30 PM Golf Scramble
6:00 PM Summer S'mores Night

Dakota Sun Ministry today, June 7th:

- In charge: Sheldon & Kris Thompson / Marge Kleinjan (Musician)
- To visit: Fey Family, Deb Landegent, Caija Landegent

*If you are unable to attend your assigned day, please find someone to go in your place

Prayer Concerns:

- Please keep in prayer the delegates, work, and deliberations of **Synod 2026** for the Christian Reformed Church, which will take place **June 11-18**. Please pray that the truth of God's Word will continue to be upheld and that His will ultimately be done through it all.

Announcements:

- **Annual Golf Scramble - Today** is our annual golf scramble! This event is for all ages and all skill levels. Tee times will start about 3:30. There will be hot dogs, s'mores, and a bonfire that evening at the Carpenter's at 6:00. Feel free to bring a dish to pass, but don't feel obligated to.

Looking Ahead:

- Please join us to celebrate **Joan's 90th Birthday!** The Bjorklund kids will be serving cake and coffee after church next **Sunday, June 14th** for Joan's 90th birthday.
- The Volga Ministerial Association invites everyone to round out their celebration of **Old Timer's Day** with a **Music and Praise Night** at **6:30 pm June 14th** at **First Reformed Church**. This is an excellent way to worship our Lord together, see local talent, and enjoy fellowship afterward. We hope to see you there. Invite a friend to come with you!
- **Church Cleaning** has been set for Tuesday, **June 23rd at 6:00 pm**. Circle 4 is in charge of the cleaning schedule and the light supper that follows. Please consider joining to help, as many hands make light work!
- **Newsletter Info Deadline** - The deadline for information for the **July** edition of our church newsletter will be **Wednesday, June 24th, at 12 PM**. Please send your information to Pastor Josh, Brenda Volkers, or Marge Kleinjan
- **Building Project Informational Meeting** - Following worship on **Sunday, July 12th**, there will be an informational meeting regarding the building project. Make sure to stick around following the worship service to hear an update on the building project.

Notes From Council Meeting:

- The building committee updated the council on the current building project status. There will be an informational meeting on the building project on July 12th following the morning service.
- Council approved the date of June 28th for the baptism of Sawyer Fey

Offerings received in May:

General Fund.....	\$12,697.92	Building Project.....	\$1,033.00
Brauning's.....	\$391.00	Volga Christian School.....	\$1,146.00
Option 1.....	\$788.00	Skavdahl's.....	\$453.00

Offering Schedule:

- Jun 7th: VCS & Budget
- Jun 14th: Navigators & Budget
- Jun 21st: Local Missions
- Jun 28th: Building Project

Nursery Schedule:

- Jun 7th: Top Family
- Jun 14th: Triebwasser Family
- Jun 21st: Post Family
- Jun 28th: Davis Family

Our Council: Pastor Joshua Carpenter

- Elders: Ashton Fey, Dale Algood, Doug Post, Larry Top
- Deacons: Connor Gross, Keith Tofte, Ryan Van Norden, Will Davis
- **e-mail address for council:** volgacrccouncil@gmail.com

Thrive Faith Formation Tip - This time of year is often filled with graduation celebrations and school transitions. Take time this week to pray for a specific young person in your congregation as they transition to a new school environment or workplace in the coming months. Consider reaching out to that young person to let them know you are praying for them in this season. Brought to you by Thrive: crcna.org/Thrive

Groundwork: Hannah's Prayer and God's Big Answer - Sometimes the deepest prayers are the ones nobody hears but God. Join Groundwork as we begin a study on the book of 1 Samuel by examining 1 Samuel 1:1-2:10. Together, we'll see how Hannah's sorrow and private prayer becomes part of God's public plan for his people. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

June 7, 2026 | “All Glory Be to Christ!” | Colossians 1:15-23

Theme: _____ in Christ.

Glorying in Christ for...

1. _____ He _____

2. _____ He’s _____ for Us

Weekly Reflection: We have so much to thank and praise our Lord for! What about Who He is and what He’s done for you are you especially thankful for and rejoice in? Take some time and praise Him for it throughout this week.

Sermon Resources for Further Study:

- *Colossians and Philemon* by Richard D. Phillips
- *Colossians and Philemon - The Supremacy of Christ* by R. Kent Hughes
- *Commentaries on the Epistles of Paul the Apostle to the Colossians, Philippians, and Thessalonians* by John Calvin
- *An Introduction to the New Testament* by D.A. Carson and Douglas J. Moo
- *Galatians thru Philemon* by Mark L. Strauss

“Earlier in this hymn, Paul used the word “firstborn” to designate Christ as the Lord and heir of the original creation (Col. 1:15). Now he ascribes the same position to Christ in respect to the new creation that began in the light of his open tomb.” - Richard Phillips

“Everything that sinners require to be saved is found in Christ alone. His is the righteousness that enables us to stand vindicated before God. His is the mercy that answers our anguished plea. The power to overcome sin, unbelief, and the dominion of Satan is likewise found abundantly in Jesus.” - Richard Phillips

“It is in the context of this future-oriented understanding of the Christian life that Paul then speaks the word that so wrongly brings many believers into distress: “if.” The Christian doctrine of perseverance makes perfect sense once we realize that our present lives are a calling to ongoing sanctification in pursuit of our final salvation goal. Paul thus writes “if indeed you continue in the faith, stable and steadfast, not shifting from the hope of the gospel that you heard” (Col. 1:23). When we see that our reconciliation is something that God does for us—both objectively on the cross and subjectively through the Holy Spirit in us—the necessity of continuing in faith poses no threat to our assurance.” - Richard Phillips