

**Sunday,
June 14th,
2026**

Volga Christian Reformed Church
Pastor: Joshua Carpenter - Phone: 269-271-8603
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Morning Worship 9:30 AM: Worship Leader: Duane Smith
Organist: Ellie VandenBerg
Pianist: Geraldine Runia

Prelude - **"The Wayfaring Stranger"**

Welcome & Call to Worship

Silent Prayer of Preparation

Song - PH 240

***Song - PH 187**

*God's Greeting

*We Greet Each Other

God's Law

Song - PH 501

Congregational Prayer

Offering: Navigators & Budget

Children's Message

***Song - PH 363**

Scripture Lesson: **Matthew 15:21-28**

Text: **Matthew 15:21-28**

Message: **"The Power of Faith"**

Prayer

***Song - PH 534**

*God's Blessing

***Doxology: PH 134**

Postlude

*Please stand if you are able

WELCOME: As brothers & sisters in Christ, let us rejoice together in worship of our God. We extend a welcome to all who are worshipping with us today. 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
6:30 PM Old Timer's Praise Night

This week is preparatory with a view to celebrating the Lord's supper together next Sunday.

Prayer Concerns:

- May we thank and praise the Lord for the rain that He has sent in answer to our prayers lately!
- 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:

- Please join us to celebrate **Joan's 90th Birthday!** The Bjorklund kids will be serving cake and coffee after church **today**.
- **Thank You!** - A big thank you to Vonda and Dan for organizing this year's golf scramble last week! Thank you as well to everyone who was able to make it out for a good time of fun and fellowship!
- The Volga Ministerial Association invites everyone to round out their celebration of **Old Timer's Day** with a **Music and Praise Night tonight at 6:30 pm 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!
- **Women's Bible Study** - In light of Pastor Josh being away at Synod this week, Women's Bible Study will not be meeting this week.
- The July and August **Today Devotionals** are by the mailboxes pickup yours today. This is a great devotional to add to your family daily devotions which comes from ReFrame Ministries of the Christian Reformed Church.

Looking Ahead:

- **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.

Offering Schedule:

- Jun 14th: Navigators & Budget
- Jun 21st: Local Missions
- Jun 28th: Building Project
- Jul 5th: VCS & Budget

Nursery Schedule:

- Jun 14th: Triebwasser Family
- Jun 21st: Post Family
- Jun 28th: Davis Family
- Jul 5th: Knevelbaard 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

“The Wayfaring Stranger”

I am a poor, wayfaring stranger, while traveling thru this world below;

There is no sickness, toil nor danger in that bright world to which I go.

I’m going there to meet my Father, I’m going there no more to roam;

I am just going over Jordan, I am just going over home.

I know dark clouds will gather o’er me; I know my pathway’s rough and steep;

But golden fields lie out before me, where weary eyes no more shall weep;

I’m going there to meet my Father, I’m going there no more to roam;

I am just going over Jordan, I am just going over home.

I want to sing salvation’s story in concert with the blood-washed band;

I want to wear a crown of glory when I get home to that good land.

I’m going there to see my Savior, who shed for me His precious blood;

I am just going over Jordan, I am just going over home.

I’ll soon be free from every trial. This form will rest beneath the sod.

I’ll drop the cross of human suffering and enter in my home with God.

I’m going there to see my Savior, who shed for me His precious blood;

I am just going over Jordan, I am just going over home.

Old Southern Melody