

**Sunday,
June 28th,
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
Organist: Ellie VandenBerg
Pianist: Leah VanHeerde / Jodi Hoogwerf

Prelude

Welcome & Call to Worship - Ps. 119:1-16

Silent Prayer of Preparation

Song - PH 624 Hear our Prayer, O Lord

***Song - PH 244 God Himself Is with Us**

*God's Greeting

*We Greet Each Other

Summary of God's Law by Jesus (Matthew 22:37-40)

Baptism - Sawyer Lee Fey

Song - PH 500 How Firm a Foundation

Congregational Prayer

Offering: Building Project & Budget

Children's Message

***Song - LUYH 759 Your Word Sheds Light upon My Path (Verse 1)**

Scripture Lesson: **Psalm 1**

Text: **Psalm 1**

Message: **Two Ways, Two Eternal Destinies**

Prayer

***Song - PH 1 How Blest Are They Who, Fearing God**

*Apostles' Creed

*God's Blessing

***Doxology: PH 320 Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing (Verse 1)**

Postlude

*Please stand if you are able

WELCOME: Psalm 13:6 I will sing to the Lord, for He has been good to me. We welcome you as we, too, sing to the Lord because of His goodness. Everyone is invited to 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

Prayer Concerns:

- As the summer continues, may we continue to pray for that good balance of rain and sunshine that is needful for crops to grow.
- May we keep in prayer our shut-ins: Betty Vander Zee

Announcements:

- ❖ **Singing Through the Summer** - Today, we are starting a new sermon series which will bring us through the rest of the summer season, titled, **Singing Through the Summer**. The Book of Psalms expresses the breadth and depth of human emotion, giving us words to pray and sing to the Lord in the face of the situations and circumstances we encounter in life, whether joys or trials. So, throughout the remainder of the summer, we'll be exploring together different types of psalms we find within this beautiful book of the Bible.
 - **A note from the Ashton & Kacey Fey family:** To celebrate the baptism of Sawyer, we would like to welcome everyone to a piece of cake in the foyer following the morning worship service! We greatly appreciate our church family, but most of all, we thank you for your prayers and encouragement as we continue to lead our children to know the Lord.
 - **Thank You!** - Thank you to everyone who made it out this past week for our annual church cleaning!

Looking Ahead:

- **S'more's Night** - Our next Summer S'mores Night is right around the corner! Mark your calendars for next week **Sunday, July 5th**, as we join together around **5:30 PM** for some hot dogs, s'mores, and good fellowship!
- **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.
- The **Volga Christian School** is requesting **nominations to the School Board for a 3-year term**. Per our Constitution, nominations must be submitted prior to our regular monthly meeting which is July 14th. Nominees must be confessing members, in good standing, of a Christian Church. Election will take place at the VCS annual society meeting on July 27, 2026, at 7:00pm at the school. Discussion will be held at the society meeting for amendments to our Constitution in regard to Article 4: VCS Board and Article 5: Officers. All society members are strongly encouraged to attend this annual meeting! **Please submit nominations to any board member by July 14.**

Advance:

- **Dakota Sun Ministry for July 5th:**

- In charge: Clyde & Cyndi Ulvestad / Ellie VandenBerg (Musician)
- To visit: Ken Fideler, Davis Family, Tim & Verdella Gross, Sydney Triebwasser

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

- **Ushers for July:** Gene Volkers, Jacob Post; Alternate: Gerald Feikema
- **Elevator Attendant for July:** Cyndi Ulvestad

Offering Schedule:

- Jun 28th: Building Project
- Jul 5th: VCS & Budget
- Jul 12th:
- Jul 19th:

Nursery Schedule:

- Jun 28th: Davis Family
- Jul 5th: Knevelbaard Family
- Jul 12th: Kauk Family
- Jul 19th: Van Norden 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

Kids Corner Devotions: Paul and Silas: God Hears Me Anywhere! - Check out this week's kids' devotion, "Paul and Silas: God Hears Me Anywhere!" at www.kidscorner.net. Ever had a day where everything feels upside down? You can pray, sing, and trust God even when things are scary or hard. Try talking to God anywhere—at home, at school, or even while brushing your teeth—and see how He hears you every time! Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net, like The Kids Corner Activity Book Collection.

Groundwork: God Gives Israel a King - We want a lot of things in life. Some of those are good for us; some aren't. Some align with God's will for us, and some don't. Join Groundwork as we study 1 Samuel 8:1-10:24 to see what happens when God grants Israel's request for a king and discover how God is faithful, working behind the scenes even when his people make choices that don't align with his will. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

June 28, 2026 | Two Ways, Two Eternal Destinies | Psalm 1

Theme: _____ in light of the _____ of _____ we have received through Christ.

1. The _____ of the _____:

2. The _____ of the _____:

Weekly Reflection: In what ways have you seen the Lord helping you walk in the newness of life you have in Christ in your day-to-day life?

Sermon Resources For Further Study:

- *Christ's Psalms Our Psalms Vol. 1: Psalm 1* by Peter Holtvlüwer
- *Commentary on the Book of Psalms* by John Calvin
- *Psalms thru Song of Songs* by Tremper Longman III
- *Preaching the Word: The Psalms: Rejoice, the Lord Is King—Psalms 1 to 41* by James A. Johnson

“There is a downward spiral in these three negative descriptions. A man or woman settles into sin by stages—he walks, then he stops and stands, and finally he sits down. First he is influenced by the sinners, then he identifies with them, and finally he spreads sin to others through his laughter and sarcasm. Sin will take you from bad to worse.” - James Johnson

“It is not left to every man to frame a system of religion according to his own judgment, but the standard of godliness is to be taken from the Word of God.” - John Calvin

“And if, in the time of the Psalmist, it was necessary for the devout worshippers of God to withdraw themselves from the company of the ungodly, in order to frame their life aright, how much more in the present day, when the world has become so much more corrupt, ought we carefully to avoid all dangerous society, that we may be kept unstained by its impurities.”

- John Calvin