

**Sunday,
Mar 1st,
2026**

Volga Christian Reformed Church
Pastor: Joshua Carpenter - Phone: 269-271-8603
Sunday, Mar 1st, 2026

Morning Worship 9:30 AM: Worship Leader: Doug Wermedal
Organist: Ellie Vandenberg
Pianist: Geraldine Runia

Prelude

Welcome & Call to Worship – Psalm 9:17

Silent Prayer of Preparation

Song - PH #624 Hear our Prayer, O Lord

***Song - RB #429 Old Rugged Cross**

*God's Greeting

*We Greet Each Other

God's Law

Song - PH #263 Just As I Am

Congregational Prayer – Elder Dale Algood

Offering: Volga Christian School & Budget

Children's Message

***Song - PH #388 Christ the Lord has Risen Today**

Scripture Lesson: **Passages from Matthew, Luke, John, Revelation**

Text: **Multiple Passages**

Message: **Hell Is Like That**

Prayer

***Song – RB #319 There is Power in the Blood**

*God's Blessing

***Doxology: PH #638 Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow**

Postlude

*Please stand if you are able

WELCOME: We come with joy to worship our triune God today! We are very happy to have you present at this service of worship. It is here that we can find light for any darkness. It is here that we may find the blessings and comfort which God alone can offer. Please join us for coffee and fellowship after the morning service.

Ushers for March: Clyde Ulvestad, Gene Volkers; Alternate: Jerry Runia
Elevator Attendant for March: Cyndi Ulvestad

Calendar:

Today: 9:30 AM Morning Worship
10:45 AM Preschool-5th Grade Sing
11:00 AM Sunday School
6:30 PM Lenten Service at First Reformed
Wed: 2:00 PM Women's Bible Study
6:30 PM Cadets
7:00 PM Senior High Youth Group
Fri: 6:00 PM Painting on Silence Recital
Sat: 9:30 AM Women's World Day of Prayer

Dakota Sun Ministry today, March 1st:

- In charge: Keith & Claudia Tofte / Joan Bjorklund (Musician)
- To visit: Porter Family, Carolyn Heib, Gross Family

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

Prayer Concerns:

1. This **Thursday, March 5th, Classis Minnkota** will be meeting down in Colton for our Spring meeting. Please keep in prayer Pastor Josh, Doug Post, and Connor Gross and the rest of the delegates as they attend and the work that is done.

Announcements:

- Catechism will not be meeting this Sunday. We'll meet again next week, March 8th.
- By God's grace, Josh's dad made it through surgery! It will be a long road of recovery, so continued prayers are appreciated, but thank you all so much for your prayers for us throughout this time! – Love, Pastor Josh, Kayla, & Ezekiel
- **2026 Evening Lenten Services** - Today is the second Sunday of the Lenten season! This year, we'll be exploring the theme: God's story of redemption, taking a look at the overarching narrative of the Bible, beginning with creation, moving on to the fall, and then our redemption in and through Christ. Worship will begin at **6:30 PM**. The schedule for which church hosts each week, and times of fellowship are as follows:
 - **March 1st - First Reformed Church**
 - **March 8th - Volga CRC (Fellowship)**
 - **March 15th - Calvary OPC**
 - **March 22nd - Volga CRC**
 - **March 29th - First Reformed Church (Fellowship)**
- **Senior High Youth Group** - Senior High Youth Group meets this week, Wednesday at First Reformed Church, starting at **7 PM**. Hope to see you there and bring a friend!
- There will be a **piano/orchestra recital** in our church this **Friday, March 6th, at 6:00 pm**. These are students from the Painting on Silence studio in Volga.

Students of Laura Rice will be performing musical selections on the piano and various string instruments. All are invited to come for an evening of great music with refreshments to follow.

- **Women's World Day of Prayer** - Volga CRC wants to invite you to this year's Women's World Day of Prayer on **Saturday, March 7th**. Come and join for food, fellowship, and spending time in prayer and praise to the Lord together! Refreshments and fellowship will begin at 9:30 AM, here at the CRC. Kayla Carpenter is the speaker for this event.
- The **Cadet Snow Derby** will take place on Saturday, **March 7th** at the Big Sioux Rec Area.
- Copies of the March/April "*Today*" devotionals are located by the church mailboxes.
- A reminder to "spring" your clocks forward 1 hour next Saturday evening for Daylight Savings Time!
- There have been a number of items found in church in recent weeks. Please take the time to check the **Lost & Found Table** by the mailboxes on the table in the church library.

Looking Ahead:

- **Step Into Spring** - Mark your calendars for **March 20th**, the first day of Spring, as we'll be joining together with Calvary OPC and First Reformed Church to get out and enjoy the changing of the seasons with a mile walk, breakfast, devotions, and fellowship! Keep an eye out for further details to come!
- The **Rehoboth Christian High School** band invites you to attend their concerts while they are touring in your local area.
 - **March 26:** Shalom CRC Sioux Falls, SD 5:00-6:30 PM Navajo Taco Meal, 7:00 PM Concert
 - **March 27:** Dordt University, BJ Haan Auditorium 7:00 PM Concert
 - **March 28:** Calvary CRC Orange City, IA 5:00-6:30 PM Navajo Taco Meal, 7:00 PM Concert
 - **March 29:** Trinity CRC Rock Valley, IA 9:30 AM Service Participation
 - **March 29:** Luverne CRC. Luverne, MN 6:30 PM Concert

**All concerts are free to attend with a free-will offering taken. For more information visit <https://www.rcsnm.org/admissions/schools/finearts.cfm> or email Laura Blystra at lblystra@rcsnm.org.

Offering Schedule:

- Mar 1st: VCS & Budget
- Mar 8th: Hope Haven & Budget
- Mar 15th: Skavdahls' & Budget
- Mar 22nd: Option 1 & Budget

Nursery Schedule:

- Mar 1st: Knevelbaard Family
- Mar 8th: Kauk Family
- Mar 15th: Van Norden Family
- Mar 22nd: Fey Family

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Passage Notes:

Sermon Notes:

Weekly Reflection: