

**Sunday,  
Nov 24<sup>th</sup>  
2024**

**Volga Christian Reformed Church**  
Pastor: Joshua Carpenter - Phone: 269-271-8603  
**Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

**Morning Worship 9:30 AM:** Worship Leader: Pastor Joshua Carpenter  
Organist: Ellie Vanden Berg  
Pianist: Katie Hoogwerf

Prelude

Welcome & Call to Worship - Ps. 133

Silent Prayer of Preparation

**Song - PH 624 Hear our Prayer, O Lord**

**\*Song - PH 242 Come, All You People, Praise Our God**

\*God's Greeting

\*We Greet Each Other

Responsive Reading of the Law - Words of Jesus From the Gospels (PH pg. 1013)

**Song - RB 156 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross**

Congregational Prayer

Offering: Building Project & Budget

Children's Message

**\*Song - PH 280 Blessed Jesus, at Your Word (Verse 1)**

Scripture Lesson: **1 Corinthians 12:12-31**

Text: **1 Corinthians 12:12-26**

Message: **Thankful For...The Church**

Prayer

**\*Song - PH 315 Blest Be the Tie that Binds (Verses 1-4 & 6)**

\*Apostles' Creed

\*God's Blessing

**\*Doxology: RB 584 God Be with You (Verse 1)**

Postlude

\*Please stand if you are able

**Praise the Lord!** Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the heights! Praise Him, all His angels; praise Him, all His hosts! (Psalm 148:1-2) We rejoice and give thanks to God for all He has done for us. Take the time today to reflect on the blessings that surround you. We welcome any guests who are with us today. There will be coffee and fellowship after the service.

**Ushers for December:** Gerald Feikema, Zach Post; Alternate: Jerry Runia

**Elevator Attendant for December:** Henrietta Molengraaf

### **Calendar:**

Today: 9:30 AM Morning Worship  
10:45 AM Preschool-5<sup>th</sup> Grade Sing  
11:00 AM Sunday School & Catechism  
Wed: 7:00 PM Annual Bowling Night  
Thurs: 9:30 AM Thanksgiving Day Service

### **Prayer Concerns:**

1. With Thanksgiving this week, may we keep in prayer all those who will be traveling to see family and friends.
2. Also, as we arrive at the week of Thanksgiving, may we lift hearts overflowing with gratitude to the Lord in praise, thanking Him for Who He is and what He's done for us, for godly family and friends, for the Church, and all His other innumerable blessings to us!

### **Announcements:**

1. **High school catechism** will meet today after worship over in the parsonage around 11 AM.
2. **Youth Group** - Youth Group **will not** be meeting this week due to Thanksgiving. We will meet once again on **Wednesday, Dec. 4th**.
3. **Thankful Hearts Expressing Gratitude** - Having entered the month of November, Thanksgiving is right around the corner. We should express our gratitude to the Lord all year round, but especially this time of year, we take intentional time to express gratitude, expressing all the various things we are thankful for, and we want to do that together as a congregation! Over the next few weeks, as you think about the things you are thankful to God for, please take some time and write them down on a piece of paper and put them in the offering plates. They'll be collected and compiled so we can share them during our Thanksgiving Day service, expressing our thankful hearts to our great Redeemer and King! **Today** will be **the last day** to submit those to be shared during the service.
4. **Thanksgiving Day Offering Envelopes** are located in your church mailbox.
5. **Annual Bowling Night at The Lanes** - On **Wednesday evening, Nov. 27**, we will have our annual bowling night at The Lanes in Brookings from **7 PM – 9 PM**. Shoes are free and if you have a "bobcat card" or coupon from the phone book, you can get one hour free. Please let Vonda know if you plan to attend and if you have a discount card or coupon. She will be able to provide you with one if you don't but needs to know how many to get. Mark your calendars for an evening of fun and fellowship!
6. **Thanksgiving Day Service** - this week **Thursday, Nov. 28**, at **9:30 AM**, we'll gather together on **Thanksgiving Day** to worship our Lord together, coming before Him to praise His name, to express our gratitude and thankfulness to Him!

### **Looking Ahead:**

1. **VCS** invites you to their annual **Christmas program**. It is Friday, **December 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM**. It will take place at **First Reformed Church**: 601 E. 1<sup>st</sup> St in Volga.
2. **Church Christmas Program** - On **Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 PM**, we will have our church Christmas program, followed by a candlelight service and a time of refreshments and fellowship.

### **Advance: Dakota Sun Ministry for December 1<sup>st</sup>:**

- In charge: Ryan & Donae VanNorden Family, Joan Bjorklund (piano)
- To visit: Delores Bothe, Gert Dykhouse, Betty Scott

### **Our Offerings:**

- November 24<sup>th</sup>: Building Project & Budget
- November 28<sup>th</sup>: Thanksgiving Offering
- December 1<sup>st</sup>: Volga Christian School & Budget
- December 8<sup>th</sup>: Option 1 & Budget

### **Our Council: Pastor Joshua Carpenter**

- Elders: Ron Gross, Ashton Fey, Doug Post, Dale Algood
- Deacons: Will Davis, Logan Triebwasser, Dan Runia, Keith Tofte
- **e-mail address for council:** [volgacrccouncil@gmail.com](mailto:volgacrccouncil@gmail.com)

**Thrive Faith Formation Tip** - This week try playing the alphabet game using the topic "Things I'm grateful for." Prayers can take many forms, and naming things A-Z is a great way to remember that "every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows" (James 1:17, NIV).

**November 24, 2024 | Thankful For...The Church | 1 Corinthians 12:12-26**

**Theme:** \_\_\_\_\_ the Lord for our \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ in Christ.

**A spiritual family that is...**

**1. \_\_\_\_\_ (vv. 12-13):**

**2. \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_ (vv. 14-20):**

**3. \_\_\_\_\_ (vv. 21-26):**

**Weekly Reflection: We're not limited to just these three things, so what other things about the Church are you thankful for?**