

**\*Prayer Requests:**

- For protection and provision for our congregation during this pastor vacancy season.
- For our Pastor Search Committee, asking for wisdom, discernment and patience for each member as they find whom God has selected to shepherd this flock.
- Our Resonate Global missionary family, the Sytsma's, who are in Uganda.
- For Stephenville Christian Academy and other schools in our area. For the health and safety of the faculty and students this school year.
- For Joy Osinga, and the restoration of her kidneys.
- Continued prayers for Brady Miller as they are in the next chapter of monitoring and for the original desmoid tumor to continue to shrink in his cheek.
- Prayers for Macee for continued improvement for mobility to her legs.
- For the expectant mothers in our SCRC family, Madison Earlanon, Bregtje Vandermeer, and JoEllen Taylor. For health and strength throughout their pregnancies, for safe deliveries, and for God's peace and protection over all mothers and babies.
- Comfort for the Hernandez family as they grieve the loss of baby Maya.
- For Klaas Stoker who has liver cancer, which has spread.
- For Frank Brand who slipped on ice and broke his femur while in South Dakota.
- For Shirley Osinga who fell and broke her hip and fractured her back. Prayers for strength as she is recovering from surgery and for the months ahead of healing and rehabilitation.

# Stephenville Christian Reformed Church



**Pastor Donald Draayer**  
**April 5, 2026**

# Sunday Morning Service

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

\*Call to Worship

Leader: God, you have loved us with an everlasting love;

**All: You have continually been faithful** (Jeremiah 31:3)

Leader: You are our strength.

**All: You are our salvation.** ((Psalm 118:14)

Leader: This is the story of Jesus of Nazareth:

**All: He was anointed with the Holy Spirit and with power.**

Leader: He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed.

**All: He was put to death on a cross and his body laid in a tomb.**

(Acts 19:38, 39)

Leader: “Tear this temple down,” he said,

**All: “In three days I will rebuild it!”** (John 2:19)

Leader: And so it is:

**All: On the third day,**

Leader: As the disciples, Mary, and Mary Magdalene have seen:

**All: Christ’s tomb is empty!** (John 20:1)

Leader: An angel has rolled away the stone: (Matthew 28:2)

**All: He is not here.**

Leader: He is risen!

**All: He is risen, indeed!**

Leader: Today we celebrate the story of Jesus Christ:

**All: Birth, work, death, resurrection. Alleluia! He is risen indeed!**

\*Prayer

\*God’s Greeting/Mutual Greeting

\*Opening Songs: “Christ the Lord is Risen Today” LUYH 182 (1-3)

“Low in the Grave He Lay” LUYH 186 (1-3)

Children’s Message

(Children under age 4 are dismissed to the nursery)

Offering: General Fund

Easter Choir: “This Is Jesus” by Shawna Edwards

Congregational Prayer

Message: “A Good Place for a Resurrection”

Scripture: Mark 15:42-47 & Mark 16:1-7

\*Song of Response: “See What a Morning” LUYH 181 (V. 1-3)

\*God’s Parting Blessing

\*Sending Song: “He is Lord” LUYH 227 (1, 3, 4)

# Stephenville Christian Reformed Church News



Welcome to our fellowship, where we are gathered together as friends and family to worship and praise our God. If you are visiting with us, we are glad that you are here! This morning, Pastor Draayer will be preaching from Mark 15:42-47 & Mark 16:1-7. Following service, we will have an Easter egg hunt for students who are in 5<sup>th</sup> grade and under in the playground area.

There will be no Sunday school today.

## Weekly Schedule

**Sunday 10:30am** Sunday Morning Worship Service  
**11:45am** Easter Egg Hunt  
**6:00pm** Small Group Leadership Class  
**Tuesday 7:00pm** Monthly Council Meeting  
**Wednesday 6:00pm** Wednesday Family Night  
**Thursday 9:30am** Ladies Coffee Break

## Offering Schedule

**April 5:** General Fund  
**April 12:** General Fund & Stephenville Christian  
**April 19:** General Fund  
**April 26:** General Fund & Rehoboth Christian School

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## Wednesday Cooking

**April 8:** CoriAnn Kalsbeek  
**April 15:** Janna Williamson  
**April 22:** Jennifer Osinga  
**April 29:** Linda Beukeboom

## Sound Booth

**April 5:** Honor & Dillinger  
**April 12:** Kaleb & Shaun  
**April 19:** Justice & James  
**April 26:** Honor & Ryland

## Nursery Duty

**April 5:** Jessica H. & Henry  
**April 12:** Heidi & Macee  
**April 19:** Lynn & Grace  
**April 26:** Shawna & Kinsley

## Sunday Cookie Duty

**April 5:** Rita Huisman  
**April 12:** Shawna DeBoer  
**April 19:** Margreet Osinga  
**April 26:** Janelle Thiebaud

## \*News/Reminders:

**Monthly Capital Campaign** – The April capital campaign is for Rehoboth Christian School. RCS began in 1903 as a mission post to reach Native Americans with the Gospel. The ministry continues through Christian education with a student population that is 79% Native American. Rehoboth is committed to building students up intellectually, spiritually and

emotionally, helping each individual student grow with the hope of entering into or maturing in the Christian faith. We will take the offering for Rehoboth Christian School on Sunday, April 26<sup>th</sup>.

## \*Upcoming Dates to Remember:

**SCA Fine Arts Program** – Come support the students of SCA for their yearly Fine Arts program on April 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 pm. “SCS Fine Arts Night is a school-sponsored event that allows students to discover and develop their creativity & talent through singing, sharing scripture, playing an instrument & various class projects. Our heart for students is that they would grow confident in their abilities and that they would use these gifts to glorify God in the community & the local church.”

**End of Year Education Dates** – Summer break is almost here for our education programs. Our last Wednesday family night will be on May 6<sup>th</sup>, Sunday school classes will end on May 17<sup>th</sup>, and Ladies Coffee Break will end on May 21<sup>st</sup>. Our college-age group will continue to meet once a month throughout the summer. If you would like to be a part of that, talk to Heidi Velsen. If you are interested in teaching in the fall of 2026 in any of our education classes, please reach out to Jennifer Osinga. As we enter the final weeks of our education programs, we want to encourage all students and parents to make attendance a priority. These last sessions are an important time of growth, connection, and finishing strong together. Our teachers have faithfully dedicated their time, energy, and prayer into preparing meaningful lessons each week. One of the greatest ways we can support and encourage them is through consistent attendance and participation. Let’s commit to being present, engaged, and appreciative as we wrap up this season. Your presence makes a difference, not only in your own family, but in the life of our church community.

**SERVE Stephenville** – SERVE Stephenville is 11 weeks away! Please be in prayer for the SERVE host team as they finalize plans for this summer’s mission trip and for the individuals that will be traveling to Stephenville in June. There will be a host team meeting at the church on April 28<sup>th</sup>.

**SERVE 2026** – Our youth group will be attending SERVE this year in Niagara Falls, Canada from July 11<sup>th</sup> to July 18<sup>th</sup>. We will have 16 youth and 4 leaders going on this mission trip. Please keep the youth and leaders in your prayers over the next few months as they prepare for this mission trip!