

FIRST REFORMED CHURCH

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TRINITY SUNDAY, MAY 27, 2018



Welcome...

While every Christian worship service is a celebration of the Trinity, Trinity Sunday focuses explicitly on the mystery, power, and beauty of the triune God. Our Christian identity and mission are given to us as we are baptized in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Trinity Sunday, which is traditionally celebrated one week after Pentecost, marks the acknowledgment that all three persons of the Trinity exist together from eternity to eternity. Whereas other special services, such as Christmas, Good Friday, and Pentecost, are tied to specific events, this celebration is linked with a doctrine, which is itself a summary of scriptural teaching about God's being.

TRINITY SUNDAY
May 27, 9:30AM

WE APPROACH GOD

Prelude	Joanne Hoeksema
Welcome & Greeting One Another	Pastor Matt Waterstone
*Time of Worship	#16 <i>"Give to Our God Immortal Praise"</i> (vs. 1 - 4) <i>"Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"</i> #124 <i>"I Love You, Lord"</i>
Prayer of Confession	Anthony Bolkema
Song of Assurance	<i>"Your Name"</i>

THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture	Acts 2:1-21
Sermon	"Amazed. Astonished. Perplexed!"

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Congregational Prayer	Pastor Rich Grevengoed
Offering	<i>"Eternal Father, Strong to Save"</i> – Tribute Video
*Doxology	
*Benediction	Pastor Matt Waterstone
*Sending in Grace	#297 <i>"Spirit of the Living God"</i> (vs. 2)
*Postlude	<i>"All Hail the Power of Jesus Name"</i>
*Those who are able please stand.	

Please join us downstairs in the Fellowship Hall after worship
for a cup of conversation and a cookie.

OUR GIFTS...

Online Giving May 13 thru May 20

Current Expense – \$640.00; Special Projects - \$20.00

Sunday, May 20

Current Expense – \$6,441.00 Benevolent – \$80.00

Missions – \$240.00 Building – \$180.00

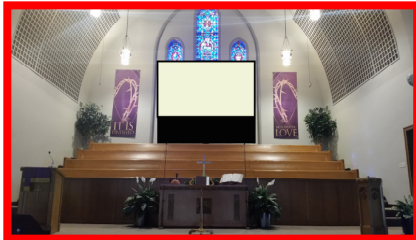
TOTAL – \$6,441.00

(Needed Weekly: \$10,850.00)

Special Projects – \$125.00

Up-to-date 2018 Special Projects Funding Campaign Total – \$62,788.00

SPECIAL PROJECTS FUNDING CAMPAIGN 2018...



The Consistory has approved a new projection system for the church. The dual screens and the center hanging projectors will be removed and replaced with a center retractable screen and single projector in the chancel area. Your offerings to Special Projects, “over and above” your regular weekly offering are still encouraged.

Approximately \$64,000 of the \$75,000 needed for this

project has already been raised thanks your gracious support. Your prayers over generosity to this important project are encouraged. For more information or questions regarding this campaign, please contact Clair Hoeksema, Elder V.P. or Mike Decker, Deacon Chairman. “Special Project” envelopes are available in the narthex or through the church office. To all of you who support this campaign every Sunday, THANK YOU!

CARE...

OUR EXTENDED FAMILY: Barb Rietveld, 1413 E. Joe Orr Road, Chicago Heights, IL 60411

Weston Paarlberg has been released from the hospital.

Les VanDeursen has been admitted to Ingalls Hospital with a blocked artery in his neck.

Tom Peterson had successful colon surgery in Georgia. Please pray for his continued recovery.

Rich Riddering is home and recuperating from a severe kidney infection.

Ralph Knopf has three new cancer spots on his liver and has started chemo treatments.

Kathryn Vinke is in Hospice Care at Arden Court.

Marla Owens has been released from the hospital.

Claude Brooks had a successful outpatient eye procedure done on Wednesday. Pray for his healing as he awaits an eye transplant.

Ellen Nelson has returned home from the hospital.

Lenore VanderMeer, wife of Pastor Al VanderMeer, had surgery for cervical spinal stenosis.

CHURCH LIFE...

A SPECIAL THANK YOU to all those who donated and attended the banquet for Chicagoland Prison Outreach last week. Your generosity is greatly appreciated! – Pastor Corey

CONGRATULATIONS to Rodger & Sherry Norris on a new grandson, Augustus Lyle born on May 10. Congratulations to the new parents, Manuel and Ashley.

THANK YOU for your prayers and cards during my hip surgery and recovery. A special thanks to Pastor Rich and Pastor Matt for their visits in the hospital and at home. I was encouraged and comforted. First Church is a caring family and I am blessed to be a part of it. – Mark Spiekhout

THE SECRETARY CHURCH OFFICE summer hours will go into effect this **Tuesday, May 28**. The office hours will be from 9:00 am – noon, Monday - Friday.

FAMILY LIFE CHRISTIAN PRE-SCHOOL & DAY CARE GRADUATION is scheduled for **Friday, June 1**, at 7:00pm in the Sanctuary. All First Church members are invited to come and support our families in the Day Care Program.

PASTOR MEL'S SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS will meet for its last session next week, **Sunday, June 3**. The lesson is from Psalm 34, entitled “A Shelter in the Time of Storm”. We will all go out for lunch at Gabe's following the class.

JOIN PASTOR COREY for a six-week spiritual formation class entitled “God's Gift to Us: The Church” starting on **Tuesday, June 12**. Please sign up in the Fellowship Hall after the service.

SUMMER SERVE DAY - Monday, June 25: This is the first of FOUR one-day mission trips we are doing as a church this summer. We are looking to get groups together to serve CPO at their school and in the Cook County Jail. There are three service teams: painting/flooring, landscaping/cleaning, and service at the jail. We will meet at church at 9:00 for breakfast and worship before serving and we'll come back to church at 4:00 for a time of sharing experiences and pizza. Will you consider using your gifts to serve in this way? There is a sign-up sheet in the Fellowship Hall. For questions, contact Sara Jabaay at sara.jabaay@gmail.com or (708)302-2612.

PASTOR MATT has published a devotional book of his Friday Letters titled "Dear Church." If you would like a devotional book, a sign-up sheet is located downstairs in the Fellowship Hall at the Welcome Center. Books are available for \$15 each and all proceeds go to the Church.

ORDINATION & INSTALLATION SUNDAY for Elders & Deacons will be on **Sunday, June 17**. Please join us in affirming the call that God has placed on each of these individual's lives.

BOOK CLUB meets **Tuesday, September 11** at 9:30am in the Library. We are reading “Island of Sweet Pies and Soldiers” by Sara Ackerman. Questions? Call Ann Koval @ 331-4338.

UP & COMING AT FIRST...

SUNDAY, MAY 27

GREETERS: Clair & Lynn Hoeksema and Don & Gerri VanBaren
COFFEE SERVERS: Ron & Shirley Scheffers and Russ & Sherry Gouwens
NURSERY: Brittany Paarlberg and Isabella Veldboom
ORGAN: Joanne Hoeksema
PIANO: Amy Veldboom
VIDEO: Mike Decker
PROJECTION: Trina Taylor
SOUND: Rhonda Hesselink
MUSIC TEAM: Dave Besser, Kim Bolkema, Joe Fransen, Nick Paarlberg, and Rachel Wooley
PRAYER ROOM: Ron & Diana Abernathy
WELCOME CENTER: Clair Hoeksema
FIRST RESPONSE TEAM: First Responder: Tiffany Surrel; First Response: Ray Ondrejka
COOKIE VOLUNTEERS: Pam Costello, Celeste DeBoer, Joanne Hoeksema and Alice Kats

MONDAY, MAY 28 – MEMORIAL DAY

Church Office and Family Life Day Care Closed

TUESDAY, MAY 29

7:00PM: Elders & Deacons Meet
8:00PM: Worship Team Rehearsal

FRIDAY, JUNE 1

7:00PM: Family Life Christian Pre-School & Day Care Graduation in the Sanctuary
6:00PM: OASIS Mystery Dinner in the Activity Center

SUNDAY, JUNE 3

GREETERS: Ron & Shirley Scheffers and Mike & Cindy Nylen
COFFEE SERVERS: Rodger & Sherry Norris and Ray & Barb Housman
NURSERY: Mary Decker and Sara Jabaay
ORGAN: Joanne Hoeksema; **PIANO:** John DeVries
VIDEO: Rhonda DeBok
PROJECTION: Sarah Waterstone
SOUND: Kevin Hesselink
MUSIC TEAM: Bill & Nikki Nyhanna, Nick Paarlberg & Abby Veldboom
PRAYER ROOM: Roger & Arleta Hommes; **WELCOME CENTER:** Dan Dieck
FIRST RESPONSE TEAM: First Responder: Trina Taylor; First Response: Rick Furst
COOKIE VOLUNTEERS: Nyla DeGraff, Norma Smit, Jeannie Spike and Debbie Woltzen



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To get to know you better, please fill out our **Welcome Card in the pew and place it in the offering plate. If you want more information about the life of First Church, make sure to include your email address.**