

FIRST REFORMED CHURCH OF SOUTH HOLLAND

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TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
November 3, 2019



Welcome...

First Church one of the best ways we can grow together is through Sunday morning worship. Here, you'll find a warm and welcoming community of people from all different walks of life gathered together in unity to lift high the name of Jesus. We do this in all sorts of different ways. We sing new songs with guitars and old songs with an organ. We pray new prayers from the heart and ancient prayers of the faith. We preach the same Good News of Jesus Christ in new and fresh ways in hopes of intersecting the Word of God with the stories of our lives. Whether you grew up Catholic, married a Baptist, or anything in between, you'll find a home in worship here at First Church.

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Communion Sunday, November 3, 2019

WE APPROACH GOD

Prelude	Joanne Hoeksema
Welcome & Greeting One Another	Pastor Corey Buchanan
*Congregational Singing	#2 <i>"Holy, Holy, Holy"</i> <i>"In Christ Alone"</i>
Prayer of Confession	Pastor Corey Buchanan
Song of Assurance	<i>"When I Think About the Lord"</i>

THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture	Acts 10
Sermon	<i>"Peter's Breakthrough"</i>

WE RESPOND TO GOD

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper	
Congregational Prayer	Jim DeGroot
Offering	Joanne Hoeksema
*Doxology	
*Benediction	Rev. Mark LaChonce
*Sending in Grace	<i>"In This Dry Land"</i>
*Postlude	Joanne Hoeksema
Those who are able please stand.	

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

UP & COMING AT FIRST...

COMMUNION SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3

GREETERS: Colin & Geni Cutler and Ron & Diana Abernathy

COFFEE SERVERS: Griff & Mary Decker and Clair & Lynn Hoeksema

NURSERY: Darcy Daly and Sara Jabaay

MUSIC TEAM: Kim Bolkema, Kevin Hesselink, Calvin Hondoko, Peter Keep, Nate Krygsheld, Nick Paarlberg, and Abby Veldboom

ORGAN: Joanne Hoeksema

PIANO: Anthony Bolkema

PROJECTION: Felicia Flowers

SOUND: Rhonda Hesselink

VIDEO: Ron Rietveld

PRAYER ROOM: Roger & Judy Gill; **WELCOME CENTER:** Jim DeGroot

FIRST RESPONSE TEAMS: First Responder: Eric Bruinsma; First Response: Ray Ondrejka

COOKIE VOLUNTEERS: Nyla DeGraff, Norma Smit, Gerri VanBaren & Debbie Woltzen

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4

9:30AM: Knitters & Quilters meet in the Fellowship Hall

7:00PM: Music Team Rehearsal

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6

7:30AM: Management Team Meeting in the Genesis Room

7:00PM: Choir Rehearsal

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10

GREETERS: Jim & Bonnie DeGroot and John & Ramelle DeVries

COFFEE SERVERS: Colin & Geni Cutler and Don & Noreen VanDeursen

NURSERY: Darcy Daly and Merley Verhagen

MUSIC TEAM: Joe Fransen, Dacia Hill, Julia Keep, Nick Paarlberg,

ORGAN: Margaret Oetjen

PIANO: Joanne Hoeksema

PROJECTION: Darrow Alexander

SOUND: Kevin Hesselink; **VIDEO:** Mike Decker

PRAYER ROOM: Ron & Diana Abernathy

WELCOME CENTER: Rick Veldboom

FIRST RESPONSE TEAMS: First Responder: Eric Bruinsma; First Response: Ray Ondrejka

COOKIE VOLUNTEERS: Nancy DeVries, Barb Grevengoed, Gail Housman and Mary Koster

SPECIAL PROJECTS FUNDING CAMPAIGN 2019...



We are now addressing the improvements needed for our parsonage. For more information or with any questions please see Don DeGraff, Elder VP, or Ray Ondrejka, Deacon Chairman. "Special Project" envelopes are available on the narthex shelves.

OUR WORSHIP SERVICES, as well as Faith & Fellowship formation ministries are in full swing and it's a great time to be part of our First Church Family. With that in mind, as we begin the second quarter of our fiscal year, the deacons would like to encourage all members to continue your faithful support the ministry of First Reformed Church through your tithes and donations.

Though our expenses are less than budgeted due to our senior pastor vacancy, it's important to note that our weekly giving has also been less than budgeted. After the first three months of this fiscal year we are \$22,052.88 behind budget. As we approach the end of this calendar year during this time of transition, please continue your faithful giving. As we grow together in the Grace of Christ, we are so very thankful to God for 1st Church and eagerly anticipate the work He will continue to do in and through us.

PLEASE KEEP THE PARKING AREA that is lined in the front and on the north side of the church - which is closest to the elevator - available for those who have difficulty walking. Thank you!

CARE...

Roger Hommes continues with his therapy.

Jeannie Spike has completed her chemo regimen; her bone marrow biopsy showed good results.

Joyce Deinema is at Symphony of Dyer for rehab.

Russ Gouwens has been able to return home and will continue rehab on an out-patient basis.

Chinedu Akoma continues her recuperation at home.

David Besser continues with targeted medications to work against his brain cancer.

Dave Schultz, brother of Deb Woltzen, has been diagnosed with lung cancer and her mother, Jean Schultz has bleeding in her eye and has started injection therapy to save the eye.

Christopher Nelson, son of Craig and Jan Nelson has been diagnosed with early stages of Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma; he has completed his treatments with a Pet Scan scheduled for Nov. 18.

OUR EXTENDED FAMILY: Lois VanVuren, Symphony of Dyer Room 221, 1532 Calumet Ave., Dyer, IN 46311

OUR GIFTS...

Sunday, October 27

Basket Total: \$4,135.00; Online Total: \$865.00

Giving Total: \$5,000.00

(Needed Weekly: \$11,250.00)

SERMON NOTES...

Acts 10
“Peter’s Breakthrough”
Rev. Mark LaChonce

PRAYER ROOM – Need a word of encouragement or someone to pray with? Come to the prayer room after church until 11am. It is located outside the double doors west of the Chapel. A team of dedicated volunteers would welcome the opportunity to pray with you this morning.

LEARNING...

NO SUNDAY SCHOOL TODAY!

THE GOSPEL PROJECT: For ALL ages!

All students (3-year-old through 5th grade) can be dropped off in the Genesis Room at 11:00am and picked up there at 12:00pm. The adult class meets in the Chapel from 11:00am-12:00pm.

- ❖ November 3: No Sunday School – 1st Quarter break
- ❖ November 10: “God Foreshadows His Promise”
- ❖ November 17: “God Provides For His Promise”
- ❖ November 24: “God Renews His Promise”

THE HEIDELBERG CATECHISM FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING: This multi-generational class is open to learners of all ages from 6th grade on up!

- ❖ October 27: “For Me” (Q & A 75–82)

What is the Lord's Supper, and how does our participation in it benefit us? Join us in the **Heritage Room** (next to the chapel) this Sunday morning at 11:00am as we delve into this foundational question of our faith. This **multi-generational class** is open to learners of all ages from 6th grade on up!

- ❖ November 3: No Sunday School – 1st Quarter break
- ❖ November 10: “Key Power” (Q & A 83-85)
- ❖ November 17: “Thankful Living” (Q & A 86-87)
- ❖ November 24: “From “Death to Life” (Q & A 88-90)

FIRST CHURCH LADIES’ AFTERNOON BIBLE STUDY: Please join us on **Tuesday, November 12** at 1:00pm in the Genesis Room as we review the homework from Session 2, “The Belt of Truth”. Focus on Ephesians 6:14 as we view the DVD teaching and complete the viewer’s guide p. 66-67. As an independent study, for the next two weeks, please do the homework on p. 68-91 for “The Breastplate of Righteousness”. Our Bible Studies meet the 2nd and the 4th Tuesdays of the month. For more information, please call Mary Koster @708-380-4316, or email her at mck_117@yahoo.com.

BOOK CLUB will meet **Tuesday, November 12** at 9:30am in the Library. We are reading “A Light Between Oceans” by M.L. Stedman. Questions? Call Nancy Bates @596-7314.

CHURCH LIFE...

THIS MORNING WE AGAIN WELCOME Rev. Mark LaChonce to our pulpit. Mark is a graduate of Hope College, Western Theological Seminary and Wheaton College Graduate School. He and his family lived in Jordan for fourteen years, where he served in a Christian Arabic language school. They now reside in Tinley Park while Mark is enrolled in a PhD program in World Christianity and Mission at the Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago.

DEAR 1ST CHURCH PRAYER WARRIORS, Colton Smit, his parents, and his extended family are so very grateful to all of you for your thoughts and prayers this past year. We couldn't have made it through this year without your powerful prayers.

God Bless you all. Clarence & Judy Brouwers

OUR GOAL HAS BEEN REACHED and we thank all of you for making this challenge a reality! These boxes will be donated to Open Access who will use them as a part of the 1300 Thanksgiving meals they will give away to families this fall. God is good!

MUNCH AND MINGLE is scheduled to meet on **Sunday, November 10** in the Activity Center. Please call the church office to reserve your spot.

REMEMBER TO SIGN in the Fellowship Hall after the service to attend our FALL catered taco night on **Wednesday, November 20** at 6:30pm in the Activity Center. Fellowship and Fun for all ages.



FIESTA

ANOTHER ROSELAND MINISTRIES THRIFT STORE workday is planned for next **Thursday, November 21**. Please call Barb Grevengeod @476-1341 for ride-sharing details. Thank you.

PLEASE VISIT THE WELCOME CENTER in the Fellowship Hall after the service to sign cards for our shut-in birthdays and hospitalized.

PLEASE KEEP THE PARKING AREA that is lined in the front and on the north side of the church - which is closest to the elevator - available for those who have difficulty walking. Thank you!

THE CHAPEL is available for you to use to participate in the morning worship service. Please feel welcome to use this space to accommodate your family's needs.



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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.