

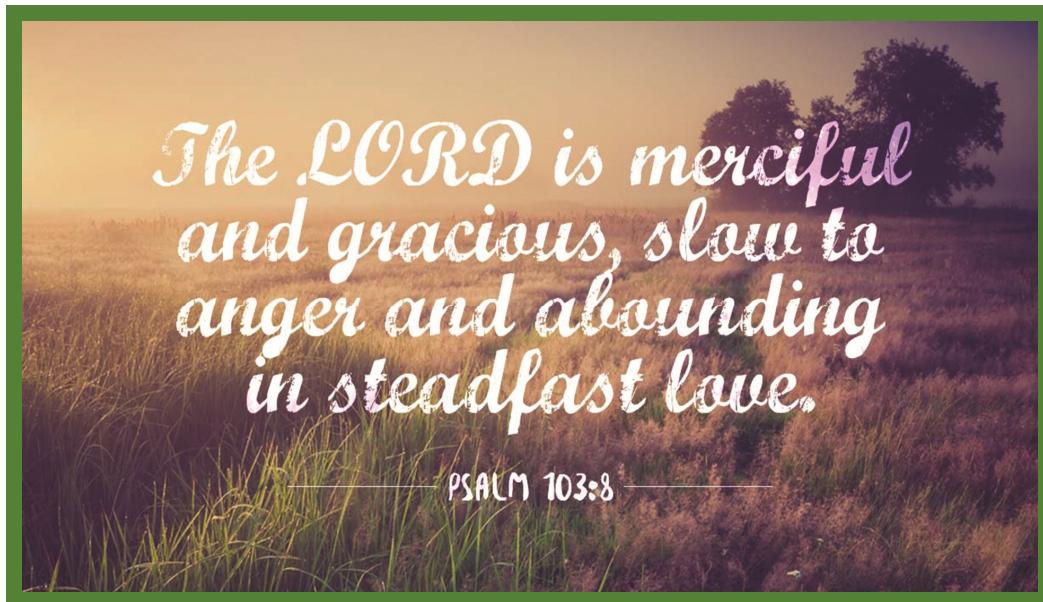
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CHILDREN'S SUNDAY, JUNE 10, 2018



Welcome...

Today we celebrate Children's Day in the life of the Church. This morning children will be participating in many different roles within the morning worship service. We believe it is important to affirm the role of children within our congregation and to remember that children are a gift from God. As a multi-generational congregation, we believe it is important to provide space for children to grow in their faith and develop habits of service within worship. Throughout his earthly life, Jesus took special time to invest in the lives of children and reminds us that "theirs is the kingdom of heaven." Above all, this morning is a healthy reminder of the baptismal vows we have taken to support, encourage, love and pray for our children.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY

June 10, 9:30AM

WE APPROACH GOD

Prelude

Welcome & Greeting One Another

Pastor Corey Buchanan

*Time of Worship

#77 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"
#20 "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" (vs. 1 & 2)
"Come, Thou Fount"

Prayer of Confession

Pastor Corey Buchanan & Izzy Veldboom

Song of Assurance

"Good To Me"

THE WORD OF GOD

Children's Sermon

Pastor Matt Waterstone

Scripture

Psalm 103:1-5

Sermon

"The Lord Is...Merciful"

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Congregational Prayer

Pastor Matt Waterstone

Offering

Moment for Missions: Sara Jabaay
Summer Serve Days

*Doxology

*Benediction

Pastor Matt Waterstone

*Sending in Grace

#75 "God Is So Good" (vs. 1)

*Postlude

"Great Is the Lord"

*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 27 thru June 2

Current Expense – \$1,540.00; Special Projects - \$20.00

Sunday, June 3

Current Expense – \$13,117.00; Benevolent – \$435.00

Missions – \$480.00; Building – \$285.00

Gift & Memorial, Norma DeGraff - \$1,000.00

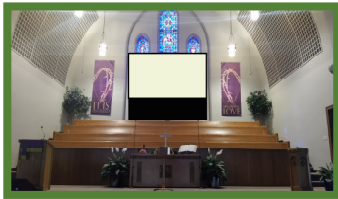
TOTAL – \$14,317.00

(Needed Weekly: \$10,850.00)

Special Projects – \$125.00

Up-to-date 2018 Special Projects Funding Campaign Total – \$63,728.00

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: Shirley Witvoet, 148 Indianwood Drive, Thornton, IL 60476

PRAYER CONCERNS

Kenny Gardiner will be having spine surgery on June 20 at Ingalls Hospital.

Les VanDeursen is in rehab at Ingalls in the north building.

Tom Peterson has returned from Georgia and is now recovering at home from colon surgery.

Kathryn Vinke is in Hospice Care at Arden Court.

Mary Wiersma, Aubrey Durkin’s mother’s cancer has returned. Please keep her in prayer.

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.

SERMON NOTES...

“The Lord Is....Merciful”, Psalm 103:1-5
Rev. Dr. Matt Waterstone

CHURCH LIFE...

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. All are encouraged and welcome to attend.

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 signup 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.

MISSING FROM LIBRARY: “The View from the Lighthouse” by Melody Carlson.

UP & COMING AT FIRST...

SUNDAY, JUNE 10

GREETERS: Jim & Bonnie DeGroot and Dave & Becky Wright

COFFEE SERVERS: Craig & Jan Nelson and Wendy Stehle

NURSERY: Sarah Waterstone and Abby Veldboom

ORGAN: Bonnie Feenstra; **PIANO:** Joanne Hoeksema

VIDEO: Ron Rietveld

PROJECTION: Tiffany Surrel

SOUND: Rhonda Hesselink

MUSIC TEAM: David Besser, Kim Bolkema, Kevin Hesselink, Dacia Hill, and Nick Paarlberg

PRAYER ROOM: Bob Asmus and Dan Dieck

WELCOME CENTER: Barb Grevengoed

FIRST RESPONSE TEAM: First Responder: Trina Taylor; First Response: Rick Furst

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

MONDAY, JUNE 11

7:00AM: Trustees meet in the Heritage Room

7:00PM: Worship Team Rehearsal

TUESDAY, JUNE 12

7:00PM: Bible Study in the Genesis Room

ORDINATION & INSTALLATION SUNDAY, JUNE 17

GREETERS: James & Michelle Kuyper, Dawn Kuyper and Kaylee Kuyper

COFFEE SERVERS: Don & Gerri VanBaren and Rich and Barb Grevengoed

NURSERY: Nikki Nyhanna and Gail Housman

ORGAN: Joanne Hoeksema

PIANO: Amy Veldboom

VIDEO: Rhonda Debok

PROJECTION: Darrow Alexander

SOUND: Kevin Hesselink

MUSIC TEAM: Dave Besser, Daniel Day, Dacia Hill, Peter Keep, and Abby Veldboom

PRAYER ROOM: Dave Wright

WELCOME CENTER: Rick Veldboom

FIRST RESPONSE TEAM: First Responder: Trina Taylor; First Response: Rick Furst

COOKIE VOLUNTEERS: Mary Decker, Diana Abernathy, Arleta Hommes and Nikki Nyhanna



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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.**

• **The church office secretary summer hours are 9:00 am – noon, Monday - Friday** •