

FIRST REFORMED CHURCH OF SOUTH HOLLAND

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Second Sunday of Easter, April 28, 2019



Welcome...

At 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.

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER Sunday, April 28, 2019 WE APPROACH GOD

Prelude	Joanne Hoeksema
Welcome & Greeting One Another	Pastor Corey Buchanan
*Congregational Singing	<i>"In Christ Alone"</i> <i>"Alleluia! Alleluia!"</i> (vs. 1 & 2) <i>"Christ Is Risen"</i>
Prayer of Confession	Pastor Corey Buchanan
Song of Assurance	<i>"Thank You, Lord"</i>

THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture	Luke 8:40-48
Sermon	"Jesus Heals Our Shame"

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Congregational Prayer	Barb Grevengoed
Offering	Joanne Hoeksema
*Doxology	
*Benediction	Rev. Lance Davids
*Sending in Grace	#97 <i>"He Is Lord"</i> (vs. 1)
*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.

OUR GIFTS...

Sunday, April 21

Basket Total: \$6,670.01; Online Total: \$665.00

Giving Total: \$7,335.01

(Needed Weekly: \$11,000.00)

MEMORY VERSE...

"I want to know Christ—yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection from the dead."
- Philippians 3:10-11

PICTORIAL DIRECTORY UPDATES...

Page 36: Nick Paarlberg's cell phone is 708-269-6716

Page 53: Evergreen Counseling should be dropped

AREA EVENTS...

THE MAYOR'S PRAYER BREAKFAST will be held on **Thursday, May 2** from 7:30 – 9:00am at The Spirit of God Fellowship (16350 State Street, SH). Tickets are available at the door for \$5. Join us as we pray with and for our community.

CALVIN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL'S State of the School Meeting will be held on **Thursday, May 9**, at 7:00 pm. Join us to vote on new Board members, approve the 2019-2020 budget, and hear from the Foundation and Thrift Store. Click on this link for all the information: http://www.calvinschool.org/editoruploads/files/Board_Member_Nominees_2019.pdf.

THE EXODUS PROJECTS needs your help in gathering cleaning supplies for an upcoming giveaway! Bring in a bucket of supplies or bring in a few items. Items needed: Bucket, dish soap, sponges, SOS pads, toilet bowl cleaner, multi-purpose cleaner and paper towels (feel free to put your donation in the bucket). A suggestion is to shop at DOLLAR TREE to be able to purchase all these items for \$7.00. Supplies need to be brought to church by **Sunday, May 19**. A table by the Welcome Center will be provided. Any questions see Pastor Corey.

CHICAGOLAND PRISON OUTREACH BANQUET will be held on **Tuesday, May 21, 2019** to celebrate their 25th Anniversary. It will be held at the Serbian Social Center in Lansing. Reception starts at 6:30 and dinner will be served at 7:00. Please RSVP by May 1 to cpoministries@sbcglobal.net or to Noreen VanDeursen at the office - 708-331-3301.

CHURCH LIFE...

THIS MORNING WE WELCOME to the pulpit Rev. Lance Davids. He is the Vision Director, the Director of Spiritual Development, and a Bible teacher at Illiana Christian High School. He is an ordained minister in the RCA and earned his M.Div at Western Theological Seminary.

THE DAVE BESSER FAMILY would like to thank the First Reformed Congregation for lifting Dave and the family up in prayer. We ask for your continued prayers for strength and healing for Dave. Thank you to those that have visited, emailed, called and texted. Thank you for the numerous cards that have been sent to encourage him on this journey. We have lined the wall with all of the cards so he can continually see the inspiring messages. All of the gestures of support have meant so much to us.

DEAR FIRST CHURCH - Thank you for your prayers and cards during my recent surgery. My healing is coming along well of which I am grateful to God. Thank you for your love and support.
- Christine Worries (Mary Koster's daughter)

OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY is extended to the family and friends of Eric and Kelly Bruinsma on the passing of Eric's grandfather, Raymond Bruinsma, on Tuesday, April 23.

THE FOLLOWING PERSONS have been placed in nomination for the office of Elder, Deacon and Trustees:

ELDER NOMINEES: Roger DeGraff, Jim DeGroot, Rhonda Hesselink, and Trina Taylor

DEACON NOMINEES: Keith Durkin, Keith Flowers, Craig Nelson, and Rodger Norris

TRUSTEE NOMINEES: Mark Spiekhout and Don VanDeursen

THE ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will be held on **Tuesday, May 14** at 7:00PM. The main purpose of the meeting will be the election of elders, deacons and trustees and any other business which rightfully comes before such a meeting. Eligible communicant voters must be at least 18 years of age. Nursery is provided and an update from the Search Committee will be communicated.

PROCEDURE FOR ABSENTEE BALLOTS: Absentee Ballots (also available in the church office) should be placed in a sealed envelope with the eligible voting church member's signature and the date on the outside and delivered to the church office prior to the meeting of May 14. Please note that voting will be by slate (collectively) for each office. Therefore, there may be one vote of "yes" or "no" for Elders, the same for Deacons and Trustees.

HE IS RISEN INDEED! Join us for a time of prayer and thanksgiving on **Sunday, May 5** at 4:00pm in the Chapel. We will unite our hearts in a focused time of corporate prayer rejoicing in our new life in Christ and asking God to continue to bring the reality of the resurrection to places of hurt, pain, and need in our church, community, and world. See Anthony with any questions.

SERMON NOTES...

“Jesus Heals Our Shame”
Luke 8:40-48
Rev. Lance Davids

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.

UP & COMING AT FIRST...

SUNDAY, APRIL 28

GREETERS: Rick & Amy Veldboom and John & Gay Kraai
COFFEE SERVERS: Don & Gerri VanBaren and Pastor Rich & Barb Grevengoed
ORGAN: Joanne Hoeksema; **PIANO:** Amy Veldboom
MUSIC TEAM: Kim Bolkema, Kevin Hesselink, Nick Paarlberg, Bill Nyhanna & Nikki Nyhanna
PROJECTION: Darrow Alexander; **SOUND:** Rhonda Hesselink; **VIDEO:** Rhonda DeBok
NURSERY: Darcy Daly and Abby Veldboom
PRAYER ROOM: Dave & Jodi Eylander; **WELCOME CENTER:** Dave Wright
FIRST RESPONSE TEAMS: First Responder: Eric Bruinsma; First Response: Mike Costello
COOKIE VOLUNTEERS: Pam Costello, Celeste DeBoer, Joanne Hoeksema and Alice Kats

...SECRETARY OFFICE HOURS: 9:00AM - NOON...

MONDAY, APRIL 29

7:00PM: Music Team meets in the Sanctuary

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1

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

7:00PM: Choir Rehearsal in the Sanctuary

8:15PM: Bell Rehearsal in the Fellowship Hall

THURSDAY, MAY 2

7:30AM: Mayor's Prayer Breakfast at the Spirit of God Fellowship Hall

COMMUNION SUNDAY, MAY 5

GREETERS: John & Ramelle DeVries and Jan Nelson
COFFEE SERVERS: Ray & Barb Housman and Ron & Shirley Scheffers
ORGAN: Joanne Hoeksema; **PIANO:** John DeVries
MUSIC TEAM: Peter Keep, Bill Nyhanna, Nick Paarlberg, & Abby Veldboom
PROJECTION: Gwen Adams; **SOUND:** Rhonda Hesselink; **VIDEO:** Mike Decker
NURSERY: Darcy Daly and Merley Verhagen
PRAYER ROOM: Roger and Judy Gill; **WELCOME CENTER:** Russ Paarlberg
FIRST RESPONSE TEAMS: First Responder: Eric Bruinsma; First Response: Mike Costello
COOKIE VOLUNTEERS: Nyla DeGraff, Norma Smit, Jeannie Spike, & Debbie Woltzen
TIME OF PRAYER & THANKSGIVING meets in Chapel at 4:00pm. All invited!
OASIS (Junior & Senior High Students) meets from 6:00-7:30pm in the Loft

LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES FOR TODAY...

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION concludes today for all ages at 11:00am. Today is the last day of Sunday School.

NO ADULT CLASS is scheduled for today!

CARE...

Ralph Paarlberg has been admitted to Riverside Hospital with an infection.

Les VanDeursen continues in Manor Care in South Holland, Room 152B for rehab.

Anna Mae Groeneveld is home from a brief hospital stay where she underwent testing.

Jeannie Spike has been diagnosed with multiple myeloma. She is doing well and continues with her chemo.

David Besser is feeling stronger and continues with targeted chemo drugs. Pray that his body responds well to them.

Ralph Knopf has completed his immunotherapy treatments.

Colton Smit, great grandson of Clarence & Judy Brouwers, continues to need our prayers.

OUR EXTENDED FAMILY: Barb Klein, Munster Med Inn, 7935 Calumet Avenue, Munster, IN 46321

LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES DURING THE WEEK...

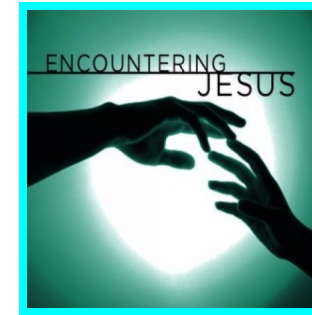
FIRST CHURCH WOMEN'S AFTERNOON BIBLE STUDY will have their annual Spring luncheon on **Thursday, May 7** at NOON at Tricia Paarlberg's home (15942 Parkside Avenue, SH).

BOOK CLUB meets on **Tuesday, May 14** at 9:30am in the Library. We are reading "No Turning Back" by Rania Abouzeid. Questions? Call Anne Koval @ 331-4338.

SPECIAL PROJECTS FUNDING CAMPAIGN 2019...



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



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Church Accountant

Gerri Van Baren

Administrative Assistant

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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.