

# FIRST REFORMED CHURCH

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TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2018



## Welcome...

“We believe that our good God, mindful of our crudeness and weakness, has ordained sacraments for us to seal his promises in us, to pledge his good will and grace toward us, and also to nourish and sustain our faith. He has added these to the Word of the gospel to represent better to our external senses both what he enables us to understand by his Word and what he does inwardly in our hearts, confirming in us the salvation he imparts to us. For they are visible signs and seals of something internal and invisible, by means of which God works in us through the power of the Holy Spirit. So they are not empty and hollow signs to fool and deceive us, for their truth is Jesus Christ, without whom they would be nothing.” ~ Article 33 of the Belgic Confession

## WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

October 7, 9:30AM

### WE APPROACH GOD

Prelude	Joanne Hoeksema
Welcome & Greeting One Another	Anthony Bolkema
*Time of Worship	<i>“Lord Most High”</i> <i>“God the Uncreated One”</i> #89 <i>“Our Great Savior”</i> (vs. 1, 2, & 5)
Prayer of Confession	Anthony Bolkema
Song of Assurance	<i>“Speak, O Lord”</i>

### THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture	Matthew 5:11-16
Heidelberg Catechism	Lord’s Day 12: Q & A #31 & 32
Sermon	“Sac • ra • ment: Well-Filled Shakers”

### WE RESPOND TO GOD

The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper	
Congregational Prayer	Nikki Nyhanna
Offering	Joanne Hoeksema
*Doxology	
*Benediction	Pastor Rich Grevengoed
*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.

## AREA ANNOUNCEMENTS...

**23<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL PARADE OF LIGHTS** will take place this **Tuesday, October 9**. There will be a brief public service at Thorn Creek Reformed Church (1875 E 170th Street) at 7:00pm with Pastor Matt speaking and the parade will begin there at 7:30pm. The parade will then wind through the streets of South Holland, Thornton and Homewood, ending at the Homewood Fire Station, 17950 Dixie Highway, in honor of Homewood Firefighter, Brian Carey, who gave the "Supreme Sacrifice" while fighting a structure fire in Homewood.

**CALVIN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL AUCTION - Friday, October 12!** Come out for dinner, live & silent auctions, and a great time for a great school! Dinner begins at 5:00pm, live auction at 6:00pm.

**PROVIDENCE LIFE SERVICES** will host its 58<sup>th</sup> annual Torchlight Dinner on **Friday, November 2** at the Shedd Aquarium. Come celebrate another year of ministry and enjoy a variety of food, music, and, of course, amazing aquatic exhibits. For reservations, contact Joan at (708) 342-8108 or go to [www.torchlight2018.com](http://www.torchlight2018.com) to register.

## CARE...

### PRAYER CONCERNS:

**Bill Rietveld** has returned home from the hospital.

**Don Spiekhout** has returned home from the hospital and he will be having outpatient rehab therapy three times a week.

**Lois Van Vuren** continues at Symphony Rehab Center in Dyer, IN.

**Ralph Knopf** has returned home from the hospital and continues with his chemo treatments.

**OUR EXTENDED FAMILY:** Lenora Anker, Beecher Manor, Room 504A, 1201 Dixie Highway, Beecher, IL 60401

## OUR GIFTS...

### Sunday, September 30

Basket Total: \$12,390.68

Online Total: \$1,680.00

Special Projects Total: \$120.00

Gift/Memorial: Rich Riddering - \$700.00

**Giving Total: \$15,890.68**

(Needed Weekly: \$11,000.00)

## SERMON NOTES...

**"Sac • ra • ment: Well-Filled Shakers"**

**Matthew 5:11-16**

**Rev. Dr. Rich Grevengoed**

**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.**

## SPECIAL PROJECTS FUNDING CAMPAIGN 2018...



The dual screens and the center hanging projectors have been removed and replaced with a center retractable screen and single projector in the chancel area. We have secured a Revitalization Grant from the Illiana-Florida classis for \$5000 in support of this project, meaning we now have a \$200 surplus for this project. God is good! Thank you for your generous support! More

information will be available soon regarding our next Special Project. Your offerings to Special Projects, “over and above” your regular weekly offering are still 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!

## CHURCH LIFE...

**THANK YOU** for your prayers, cards, and calls during my recent hospitalization and continued recuperation at home. I am very thankful for this caring church. – Don Spiekhout

**OUR CONGRATULATIONS IS EXTENDED** to Pastor Corey & Tiffany (Surrel) Buchanan who were married in our Sanctuary on Saturday, October 6, 2018.

**OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY** is extended to the family and friends of Laura Jean Gouwens (former member of First Church) of Rolling Meadows who passed away Saturday, September 29, 2018.

**DEAR FIRST CHURCH FAMILY** we want to say “THANK YOU” for the thousands of prayers that were lifted up to our Father on behalf of Nancy and her family. The cards, meals, and visits from Pastor Matt and Pastor Rich were just an overwhelming sign of support for our family. WE are blessed to know that Nancy is in heaven no longer sick, praise be to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. – Dottie and Brian VanVuren

**THE SOUTH HOLLAND MASTER CHORALE** is coming to First Church next **Sunday, October 14** for a concert at 4:00pm in the sanctuary. Mark your calendars for an enjoyable afternoon of music.

**MUNCH & MINGLE** (Senior Singles) will meet on **Sunday, October 21** in the Activity Center at 11:30am. Call the church office or sign-up in the Fellowship Hall to reserve your spot.

**TRUNK R' TREAT** is **Wednesday, October 31** from 5:00 - 7:00pm (car trunks needed by 4:45pm). We will again give the children of South Holland and surrounding areas a safe and fun place to Trick R' Treat. We need lots of car trunks and lots of candy to make this fun event possible. There will be a candy donation box in the Fellowship Hall and if you could volunteer your decorated car trunk please sign-up in the Fellowship Hall.

## LEARNING...

**AS WE CONTINUE** in another year of Sunday School for all ages, please pray for our teachers and helpers as they lead classes, prepare crafts, and teach the catechism. Also, please pray for learners of all ages as they deepen their faith. A friendly word of encouragement to make Sunday School a priority for you and your family as we grow together in the grace of Christ.

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION** continues for all ages at 11:00am.

**PRESCHOOL AND PRIMARY DEPARTMENT KIDS** meet for a time of singing in the Genesis Room at 11:00am followed by their Bible story time.

- **PRESCHOOL** (Ages 3-4) Teachers: Aubrey Durkin, Rhonda Hesselink, Sara Jabaay, and Brittany Paarlberg. This class will meet in the Genesis Room for learning basic Bible stories and a craft-time.
- **PRIMARY** (Kindergarten-4<sup>th</sup> Grade) Teachers: Kim Bolkema, Nikki Nyhanna and Noreen VanDeursen. This class will meet in the rooms across from the drinking fountain in the Activity Center for crafts and learning the stories of Scripture from Genesis to Revelation.
- **SECONDARY GROUP** (5<sup>th</sup> Grade – High School) Teachers: Pastor Corey, Barb Grevengoed, Mike Hoeksema and Roger Hommes. This class will meet at the east end of the Fellowship Hall and will be studying the Heidelberg Catechism.

### ADULT CLASS:

- **JOIN PASTOR MEL** as he leads a class in the Heritage Room.

**DEAR FIRST CHURCH LADIES!** Our next Bible study will be this **Tuesday, October 9**, at 1:00pm in the Genesis Room at church when we will begin our new season, Lesson 1 “What Matters Most – The Gospel”, Philippians 1:1-19. Study Guide page 12-26, Memory Verse: Philippians 1:12. Questions? Please call Mary Koster at 708-380-4316. Treats: Nancy DeVries and Mary Koster.

**EVENING WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** will meet this **Tuesday, October 9** at 6:30pm at Cindy Nylén's home (16009 School Street). We will continue to meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month. We will be studying the book “Uninvited” by Lysa TerKeurst. For more information, please call Cindy Nylén at 708-217-3713.

**BOOK CLUB** meets this **Tuesday, October 9** at 9:30am in the Library. We are reading “Notorious RBG” by Irin Carmon. Questions? Call Anne Koval @ 331-4338.

## *UP & COMING AT FIRST...*

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7 – WORLD COMMUNION

**GREETERS:** Colin & Geni Cutler and Don & Noreen VanDeursen  
**COFFEE SERVERS:** Jim & Bonnie DeGroot and Faye Gowens  
**NURSERY:** Amber Fransen and Chandra Ondrejka  
**ORGAN:** Joanne Hoeksema; **PIANO:** Amy Veldboom  
**MUSIC TEAM:** Nate Krygsheld, Bill Nyhanna, Nick Paarlberg, and Abby Veldboom  
**SOUND:** Kevin Hesselink; **PROJECTION:** Darrow Alexander; **VIDEO:** Mike Decker  
**PRAYER ROOM:** Ron & Dianna Abernathy; **WELCOME CENTER:** Clair Hoeksema  
**FIRST RESPONSE TEAMS:** First Responder: Mary Decker; First Response: Mike Costello  
**COOKIE VOLUNTEERS:** Debbie Woltzen, Nyla DeGraff, Nancy DeVries & Norma Smit

### MONDAY, OCTOBER 8

**7:00AM:** Trustees meet in the Heritage Room  
**7:00PM:** Rehearsal for the South Holland Chorale in the Sanctuary  
**7:00PM:** Consistory meets in the Chapel  
**8:15PM:** Bell Rehearsal in the Genesis Room

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9

**9:30AM:** Book Club meets in the Library  
**1:00PM:** Women's Bible Study meets in the Genesis Room  
**6:30PM:** Women's Bible Study meets at Cindy Nysten's home (see announcement)  
**7:30PM:** Music Team Rehearsal in the Sanctuary

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10

**7:00PM:** Choir Rehearsal in the Sanctuary

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14

**GREETERS:** John and Ramelle DeVries and Ron & Diana Abernathy  
**COFFEE SERVERS:** Ron & Shirley Scheffers and Faye Gowens  
**NURSERY:** Dawn Kuyper and Izzy Veldboom  
**ORGAN:** Margaret Oetjen; **PIANO:** Joanne Hoeksema  
**MUSIC TEAM:** David Besser, Kim Bolkema, Dacia Hill, Peter Keep, and Nick Paarlberg  
**SOUND:** James Kuyper; **PROJECTION:** Trina Taylor; **VIDEO:** Ron Rietveld  
**PRAYER ROOM:** Bob Asmus and Dan Dieck; **WELCOME CENTER:** Rick Veldboom  
**FIRST RESPONSE TEAMS:** First Responder: Mary Decker; First Response: Mike Costello  
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### *STAFF...*

**Rev. Dr. Matt Waterstone**  
*Senior Pastor*

**Pastor Corey Buchanan**  
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**Anthony Bolkema**  
*Director of Worship & Student Life*

**Rev. Mel De Vries**  
*Pastor Emeritus*

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**Gerri Van Baren**  
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