

FIRST REFORMED CHURCH

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FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

January 13, 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.

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Sunday, January 13, 2019

WE APPROACH GOD

Prelude	<i>"Another Year Is Dawning"</i> <i>"Just As I Am"</i> <i>"Give Me Jesus"</i>
Opening Song of Worship	<i>"Come, Ye Sinners"</i>
Welcome & Greeting One Another	Anthony Bolkema
*Time of Worship	#52 <i>"I Sing the Mighty Power of God"</i> <i>"Hosanna (Praise Is Rising)"</i> <i>"Lord, I Need You"</i>
Prayer of Confession	Anthony Bolkema
Song of Assurance	<i>"There Is A Redeemer"</i>

THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture	Luke 5:1-12
Sermon	"Catch of the Day"

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Congregational Prayer	Don DeGraff
Offering	<i>"Lord, I Want to Be A Christian"</i>
*Doxology	
*Benediction	Dr. David Larsen
*Sending in Grace	#346 <i>"Sing Praise to the Lord"</i>
*Postlude	<i>"Take My Life, Lead Me Lord"</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...

Year-End Giving

Total: \$10,046.00

Sunday, January 6

Basket Total: \$6,913.00; Online Total: \$480.00

Giving Total: \$7,393.00 (Needed Weekly: \$11,000.00)

Special Projects: \$0.00

THE DEACONS thank you for your 2018 giving. We have currently received \$305,549.49 of the budgeted \$308,462.50, leaving a shortage of \$2,913.01. Thank you for your generous support of the ministry of First Church!

THE 2018 OFFERING STATEMENTS will be handed out by the deacons at tables set up in the Fellowship Hall today following the service. Please say your name to aid the deacons in finding your statements quickly. Any questions on your statements, please call Griff Decker at 708-710-0111.

AREA EVENTS...

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS are invited to participate in **STAND OUT**, a leadership retreat hosted by Camp Manitoqua & Retreat Center on **January 25-26**. Surrounded with opportunities to lead, Christians must look to the Bible and Jesus as an example of leadership. Join us as ask questions and learn the answers from scripture. Additional information and registration available at Manitoqua.org/standout or call the office at 815-469-2319.

REGISTRATION FOR 'SUMMER CAMP 2019' begins February 1 at 5:00am. Remember to register early for preferred dates. Visit Manitoqua.org for additional information and registration. Call our office at 815.469.2319 if you need any assistance.

LOOKING FOR SOME FUN WINTER ACTIVITIES? Camp Manitoqua & Retreat Center is hosting family game nights on Mondays in February. The game nights will include rotations based on age and activities (1st grade through adults). Cost is \$5 per person per child each date (parents are free) or \$15 if you come all 4 weeks! Dates and times are Feb. 4, 11, 18, & 25 from 6:00-7:30pm. To RSVP, please contact Nathan@manitoqua.org or call 815.469.2319. Payment can be submitted upon arrival. Space is limited so RSVP soon!

COME OUT AND ENJOY a hot and delicious breakfast at Calvin Christian School's annual Pancake and French Toast Breakfast on **Saturday, February 2**. Bring your friends and family to 528 E. 161st Place, South Holland, IL for all you can eat pancakes, French toast, bacon, sausage, coffee and orange juice. Breakfast will be served from 7:00-10:30 a.m. Donations accepted at the door and will be used to support Calvin's sports teams. See you there!

CHURCH LIFE...

TODAY WE WELCOME to our pulpit Dr. Dave Larsen. David is the former Director of Bright Promise Fund and is a founding board member at Unity Christian Academy in South Holland. Dr. Larsen has a Masters in Religious Education from Trinity Evangelical Seminary and a Ph.D. from Loyola University Chicago.

THANK YOU to all our First Church family for your cards, kind words and for lifting us up following the loss of Arthur Nylan. - The families of Mike & Cindy Nylan

MARTIN LUTHER KING CELEBRATION will be held this **Saturday, January 19** here at First Reformed Church at 10:00am. Our day care children will be singing at this event. Everyone is invited to attend! Join us for our annual tribute to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. This uplifting event honors Dr. King's message of empowerment and unity, and how we can apply it to our lives today.

ONE WEEK LEFT – DEADLINE is Sunday, January 20! Please submit any address/phone number/email updates to the church office for our new upcoming directory. We would like to incorporate updated pictures in this directory, but we will not be hiring a photography company to take photos of all church members. Instead, we ask that you please submit a recent, clear photo of your family (cell phone photos are perfect) to the church office by emailing to office@frcsh.org. **If you would like to have your picture taken today see Nyla DeGraff, Mary Koster, or Rick Veldboom in the Fellowship Hall.**

CARE...

Paul Van Kley has been placed in hospice care. **Ralph Knopf** continues with chemo treatments.

Paul Paarlberg had a nerve block inserted to help reduce his pain. He had a biopsy done on a mass in his pancreas and is anticipating chemo treatments. Pray that his pain subsides as they await more test results. **Marla Owens** has been discharged from the hospital. **Lillian Kortum** has been admitted to Ingalls Hospital. **Claude Boomsma** is now in rehab. **Barb Grevengoed** is recovering from knee replacement surgery.

OUR EXTENDED FAMILY: LaVerne Kampen, Holland Home Room 201, 16300 Louis Ave., South Holland, IL 60473

SPECIAL PROJECTS FUNDING CAMPAIGN 2019...



We are now addressing the improvements needed for our organ. 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.

SERMON NOTES...

“Catch of the Day”
Luke 5:1-12
Dr. David Larsen

UP & COMING AT FIRST...

SUNDAY, JANUARY 13

GREETERS: Colin & Geni Cutler and John & Gay Kraai
COFFEE SERVERS: Gwen Adams, Trina Taylor, and Craig and Jan Nelson
NURSERY: Gail Housman and Aubrey Durkin
ORGAN: Joanne Hoeksema
PIANO: John DeVries
MUSIC TEAM: Daniel Day, Dave Besser, Joe Fransen, Julia Keep & Rachel Wooley
SOUND: Kevin Hesselink; **PROJECTION:** Gwen Adams; **VIDEO:** Mike Decker
PRAYER ROOM: Dave & Jodi Eylander; **WELCOME CENTER:** Clair Hoeksema
FIRST RESPONSE TEAMS: First Responder: Trina Taylor; First Response: Keith Durkin
COOKIE VOLUNTEERS: Nancy DeVries, Barb Grevengoed, Gail Housman and Norma Smit

MONDAY, JANUARY 14

7:00AM: Trustees meet in the Heritage Room
7:00PM: Consistory meets in the Chapel
8:00PM: Music Team meets in the Sanctuary

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16

7:00PM: Choir Rehearsal

SATURDAY, JANUARY 19

10:00AM: Martin Luther King Celebration

SUNDAY, JANUARY 20

GREETERS: Clair & Lynn Hoeksema and Rick & Amy Veldboom
COFFEE SERVERS: Don & Gerri VanBaren and Rich & Barb Grevengoed
NURSERY: Michelle Kuyper and Faye Gowens
ORGAN: Margaret Oetjen; **PIANO:** Joanne Hoeksema
MUSIC TEAM: Dacia Hill, Nate Krygsheld, Nick Paarlberg, and Bill Nyhanna
SOUND: Kevin Hesselink
PROJECTION: Tiffany Buchanan
VIDEO: Rhonda DeBok
PRAYER ROOM: Ron Abernathy
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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.

MEMORY VERSE...

“The Lord will keep his promises. With love he takes care of all he has made.” – Psalm 145:13

LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES FOR TODAY...

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-4th 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** (5th 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:

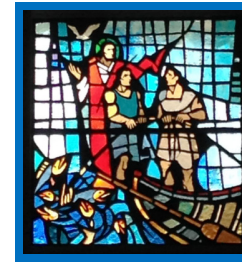
- **JOIN RUSS PAARLBERG** in the Chapel for a six-week Sunday School class beginning today titled: “Who Are We? – the Identity of the Reformed Church in America and the First Reformed Church of South Holland.”

LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES DURING THE WEEK...

AFTERNOON WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY will be on **Tuesday, January 22**, at 1:00pm in the Genesis Room as we continue Lesson 6 “What Matters Most – Chasing Contentment”, Philippians 4:10-23. Study Guide page 140-162; Memory Verse: Philippians 11b-13. Questions? Please call Mary Koster at 708-380-4316. Treats: Betty Paarlberg and Tricia Paarlberg.

EVENING WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY will meet on **Tuesday, January 22** at 6:30pm at Cindy Nylen’s home (16009 School Street). We will be finishing up the study of the book “Uninvited” by Lysa TerKeurst. For more information, please call Cindy Nylen at 708-217-3713.

BOOK CLUB meets on **Tuesday, February 12** at 9:30am in the Library. We are reading “Breaking Night” by Liz Murray. Questions? Call Anne Koval @ 331-4338.



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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.