

FIRST REFORMED CHURCH

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FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

Sunday, February 10, 2019



Welcome...

Each and every Sunday we gather together as a family to be reminded of and re-formed by the Story of the Bible. It's a dynamic Story of a world made by God, stuck in sin, but saved by Jesus and sustained by the Holy Spirit. It's a Story that provides hope for the hurting, purpose for the wanderer, and community for the lonely. And ultimately, it's a Story that draws us in to worship and sends us out in mission, to share this Good News with our world that is in desperate need of salvation. So welcome to worship at First Reformed Church! We pray God will speak to you through His Story today and you would join us in Growing Together in the Grace of Christ.

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WE APPROACH GOD

Prelude	Margaret Oetjen
Opening Song of Worship	<i>"Let There Be Glory and Honor and Praises"</i> Chancel Choir
Welcome & Greeting One Another	Pastor Corey Buchanan
*Time of Worship	#45 <i>"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"</i> <i>"Forever"</i> <i>"Stronger"</i>
Prayer of Confession	Pastor Corey Buchanan
Song of Assurance	<i>"Amazing Grace/Pachelbel's Canon"</i> Chancel Choir

THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture	John 21:9-14
Sermon	"A Divine Fish Fry"

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Congregational Prayer	Larry DeYoung
Offering	Margaret Oetjen
*Doxology	
*Benediction	Pastor Matt Waterstone
*Sending in Grace	#346 <i>"Sing Praise to the Lord"</i> (vs. 3)
*Postlude	Margaret Oetjen

*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, February 3

Basket Total: \$6,807.00; Online Total: \$965.00; Special Offering: \$25.00

Giving Total: \$7,797.00

(Needed Weekly: \$11,000.00)

WORSHIP...

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE will be **Wednesday, March 6** at 6:00pm in the Chapel. Join us for a time of worship and stay for a Soup Supper following the service as we begin the Lenten Season and become more disciplined in our discipleship.

THE PATH TO THE CROSS: Join us for times of worship and fellowship during the season of Lent beginning **Wednesday, March 6**. They will be held in the Chapel on Wednesdays (through **April 10**) at 6:00pm and are designed to foster the personal and corporate spiritual disciplines that are integral to the development of Christian discipleship. As such, these gatherings will include times of worship, teaching, introspection, and interpersonal discussion (nursery provided). Please check out the bulletin insert and mark your calendars for this incredible series!

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.

AREA EVENTS...

REGISTRATION FOR 'SUMMER CAMP 2019' continues. 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!

CHURCH LIFE...

THIS MORNING WE WELCOME back to the pulpit Rev. Dr. Matt Waterstone. Pastor Matt is the former pastor of First Reformed Church and a faithful friend to us all.

OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY is extended to Lil Kortum and family on the passing of Lil's brother, Kenneth Page, on February 3.

PLEASE EXCUSE the scaffolding and other building equipment in the narthex as we continue the necessary repairs on the projection system. This past week a temporary projector was installed, and we anticipate that our new projector should be installed very soon. Thank you for your patience during this process! Please see Anthony with any questions or concerns.

VOLUNTEERS are needed to make your favorite soups for our annual Soup Supper following our **Ash Wednesday Service, March 6**. Please sign-up downstairs or call the church office at 333.0622.

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.

MUNCH & MINGLE is today at 11:30am in the Activity Center.

CARE...

Gabby Gatlin has been admitted to the University of Chicago.

Paul Van Kley continues in hospice care at home.

Ralph Knopf continues with chemo treatments.

Paul Paarlberg continues in hospice care.

Claude Boomsma is now in rehab at Park Place in St. John, Indiana.

Tom Peterson has been diagnosed with cancer in his face, head and neck and is scheduled for a lung biopsy on Tuesday, February 12.

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

SERMON NOTES...

John 21:9-14
“A Divine Fish Fry”
Rev. Dr. Matt Waterstone

UP & COMING AT FIRST...

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10

GREETERS: John & Ramelle DeVries and Ron & Diana Abernathy
COFFEE SERVERS: Griff & Mary Decker and Russ & Heidi Paarlberg
NURSERY: Darcy Daly and Sara Jabaay
ORGAN: Margaret Oetjen; **PIANO:** Joanne Hoeksema
MUSIC TEAM: Dave Besser, Kim Bolkema, Dacia Hill, Peter Keep, & Nick Paarlberg
SOUND: James Kuyper
PROJECTION: Gwen Adams
VIDEO: Mike Decker
PRAYER ROOM: Roger & Arleta Hommes
WELCOME CENTER: Don DeGraff
FIRST RESPONSE TEAMS: First Responder: Mary Decker; First Response: Rich Thornton
COOKIE VOLUNTEERS: Nancy DeVries, Barb Grevengoed, Joanne Hoeksema & Mary Koster

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11

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

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12

9:30AM: Book Club meets in the Library
1:00PM: Women’s Bible Study meets in the Genesis Room

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 17

GREETERS: Rick & Pam Furst and Don & Gerri VanBaren
COFFEE SERVERS: Ron & Shirley Scheffers and Craig & Jan Nelson
NURSERY: Darcy Daly and Kim Bolkema
ORGAN: Joanne Hoeksema
PIANO: Amy Veldboom
MUSIC TEAM: Dave Besser, Kevin Hesselink, Nick Paarlberg, & Abby Veldboom
PROJECTION: Tiffany Buchanan
VIDEO: Rhonda DeBok
PRAYER ROOM: Dave Besser
WELCOME CENTER: Roger Hommes
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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’s teachings are perfect. *They give new strength.* The Lord’s rules can be trusted.
They make plain people wise. The Lord’s orders are right. *They make people happy.*
Keeping them brings great reward. -Psalm 19:7-8, 11

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 Sunday School class continuing 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 this **Tuesday, February 12**, at 1:00pm in the Genesis Room as we continue Lesson 6 and 7 “What Matters Most.” Questions? Please call Mary Koster at 708-380-4316. Treats: Nancy DeVries and Sherry Gouwens.

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.**