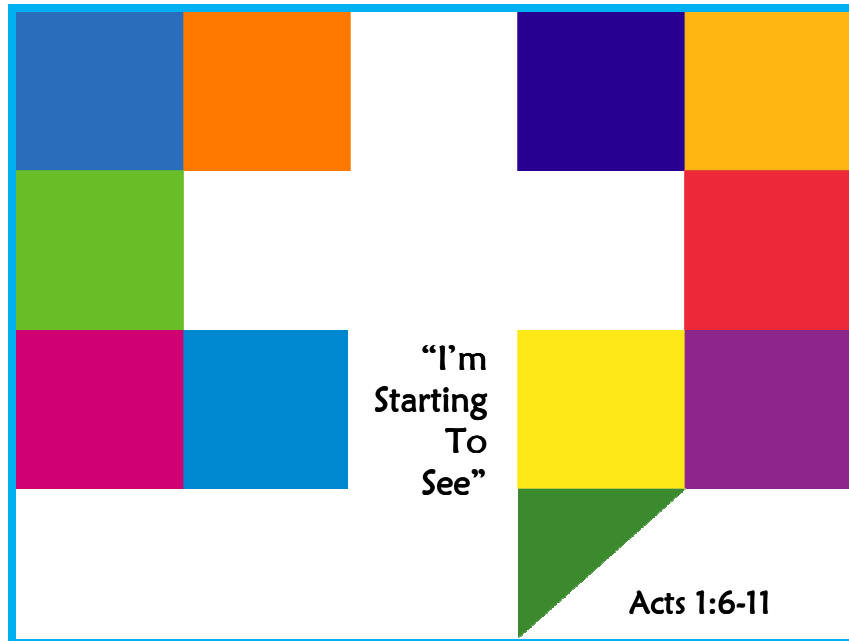


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Sixth Sunday of Easter, May 26, 2019



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.

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sunday, May 26, 2019

WE APPROACH GOD

Prelude

Joanne Hoeksema

Welcome & Greeting One Another

Pastor Corey Buchanan

*Congregational Singing

#5 *"Come, Thou Almighty King"*
"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" (vs. 1 & 2)
"The Lord Is My Salvation"

Prayer of Confession

Anthony Bolkema

Song of Assurance

"His Mercy Is More"

THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture

Acts 1:6-11

Sermon

"I'm Starting to See"

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Congregational Prayer

Pastor Corey Buchanan

Offering

"God of Our Fathers" – Organ & Piano Duet
Video Tribute

*Doxology

*Benediction

Pastor Corey Buchanan

*Sending in Grace

#97 *"He Is Lord"*

*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, May 19

Basket Total: \$6,774.10

Online Total: \$700.00

Giving Total: \$7,474.10

(Needed Weekly: \$11,000.00)

◀**THE SECRETARY CHURCH OFFICE** summer hours are in effect. The office hours will be from 9:00 am – noon, Monday - Friday.▶

PICTORIAL DIRECTORY UPDATES...

Page 10: Phil & Linda Capone's new emails – philipcapone10@gmail.com & lmcapo39@gmail.com

Page 28: Correction – Ruth Kampen still resides in Grayslake. LaVerne Kampen has changed rooms and phone number (Room 421, Phone #708-225-6421)

Page 41: New Address for Emily Seefeldt, 8313 NW 8th Way, Boca Raton, FL 33487 (moving mid June)

AREA EVENTS...

CALVIN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL EIGHTH GRADE GRADUATION: The Class of 2019 Graduation will be held on **Thursday, May 30**, 7:30 pm, at Thorn Creek Reformed Church (1875 E. 170th Street, South Holland). Special music will be provided by the graduates and Calvin's faculty and staff. Speaker will be Rev. Richard Zekveld, parent of an 8th grade student. Tickets are not required. Everyone is invited to join Calvin's 2019 Graduating Class and celebrate this joyous occasion!

NEXT SUNDAY WILL BE THE START of the HOPE Packs drive. In your mail slots next week there will be a checklist and envelope. Our church can provide meaningful work for the adults in Elim's Adult Services Program and bless children in the CPO program. You will have the **month of June** to return it to church. Please help us bless as many children as possible by collecting the supplies on your checklist and including a small donation. A bag of school supplies and a small donation allows Elim's adults to assemble and ship one HOPE Pack of school supplies. Help us bless two people with every single HOPE Pack. Please don't forget your encouraging notes and to fill out the gift information completely for accurate receipting of your tax-deductible donation.

CHURCH LIFE...

OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY is extended to the family and friends of **June Zandstra** who passed away on May 16. June was a former member and the wife of Rev. Theodore Zandstra, who was a former pastor of First Reformed Church (1948 – 1964).

AT THE CONGREGATIONAL MEETING on **Tuesday, May 14** the following members were elected to office: Elders: Roger DeGraff, Jim DeGroot, Rhonda Hesselink, and Trina Taylor. Deacons: Keith Durkin, Keith Flowers, Craig Nelson, and Rodger Norris. Trustees: Mark Spiekhout, and Don VanDeursen. The Consistory and congregation take this opportunity to give thanks to God for the leading of these individuals to service in our church. We pray for God's blessings on each of them as they will take important leadership positions in 2019-2020. We also bless God for the humble leadership and tireless service of Ron Abernathy, Eric Bruinsma, Larry DeYoung, Tim DeYoung, Rick Furst, Clair Hoeksema, Bill Nyhanna, and Howard Taylor who are outgoing members of the Consistory.

LOVE TO ORGANIZE? Like to shop at deep discounts? Join us at Roseland Christian Ministries Thrift Store for a day of sorting and shopping this **Friday, May 31**. We'll leave at about 9:30am and be back around 2:30pm. Contact Sara Jabaay for details at sara.jabaay@gmail.com or (708)302-2612.

FAMILY LIFE CHRISTIAN DAY CARE GRADUATION is scheduled for this **Friday, May 31**, at 7:00pm in the Sanctuary. All First Church members are invited to come and support our families in the Day Care Program.

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.

ORDINATION & INSTALLATION SUNDAY for Elders & Deacons will be next **Sunday, June 2**. Please join us in affirming the call that God has placed on each of these individual's lives.

THE THRIFT STORE, NEW2YOU, located on Torrence Avenue in Lansing, IL, is owned and operated by the parents and constituents of Lansing and Calvin Christian Schools and they are in need of more volunteers to help sort clothes, work the cash registers, and help make pick-ups deliveries. This is a wonderful place (to volunteer and shop) that directly reduces tuition costs for both schools. If you have any questions or would like to know how to sign up to work, please talk to Kim Bolkema or email her at kimberly.bolkema@trnty.edu.

SERMON NOTES...

Acts 1:6-11
“I’m Starting to See”
Pastor Corey Buchanan

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, MAY 26

GREETERS: Pastor Rich & Barb Grevengoed and Dave & Becky Wright

COFFEE SERVERS: Jim & Bonnie DeGroot and Don & Noreen VanDeursen

ORGAN: Joanne Hoeksema

PIANO: Amy Veldboom

MUSIC TEAM: Kim Bolkema, Daniel Day, and Nate Krygsheld

PROJECTION: Felicia Flowers

SOUND: Rhonda Hesselink; **VIDEO:** Ron Rietveld

NURSERY: Darcy Daly and Kelly Bruinsma

PRAYER ROOM: Bob Asmus and Dan Dieck

WELCOME CENTER: Rick Veldboom

FIRST RESPONSE TEAMS: First Responder: Tiffany Buchanan; First Response: Ray Ondrejka

COOKIE VOLUNTEERS: Pam Costello, Celeste DeBoer, Joanne Hoeksema & Alice Kats

MEMORIAL DAY - MONDAY, MAY 27

Church Office and Family Life Christian Pre-School & Day Care Closed

FRIDAY, MAY 31

9:30AM: Meet at church to leave together for Roseland Christian Ministries Thrift Store (see announcement)

5:45PM: OASIS Bowling

7:00PM: Family Life Christian Pre-School & Day Care Graduation Service in the Sanctuary

COMMUNION SUNDAY, JUNE 2

GREETERS: Colin & Geni Cutler and Clair & Lynn Hoeksema

COFFEE SERVERS: Mike & Cindy Nylen and Rodger & Sherry Norris

ORGAN: Joanne Hoeksema

PIANO: Anthony Bolkema

MUSIC TEAM: Kim Bolkema, Peter Keep, Bill Nyhanna, Nick Paarlberg, and Abby Veldboom

PROJECTION: Darrow Alexander

SOUND: Kevin Hesselink; **VIDEO:** Eric Pradelski

NURSERY: Rachel Wooley and Dawn Kuyper

PRAYER ROOM: Roger & Arleta Hommes; **WELCOME CENTER:** Don VanBaren

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

COOKIE VOLUNTEERS: Nyla DeGraff, Norma Smit, Jeannie Spike and Deb Woltzen

CARE...

Bill Rietveld fell in his shop and sprained his left hand. He also had several biopsies of lymph nodes and the results showed signs of cancer. He is awaiting surgery.

Lillian Kortum has returned home from the hospital.

Les VanDeursen continues in Manor Care in South Holland for rehab.

Roger Bovenkerk is recovering from a surgical heart procedure that he had on Wednesday.

Jan Nelson has returned home from the hospital.

Jeannie Spike continues with her chemo treatments for multiple myeloma.

David Besser has returned home from the hospital and is feeling much better. He will resume his targeted therapy medications and meet with his oncologist next week. Please pray for positive news with his upcoming PET scan.

Ralph Knopf has completed his immunotherapy treatments.

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

OUR EXTENDED FAMILY: Mary Thompson, 16418 S. Dobson Ave., SH, IL 60473

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

LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES DURING THE WEEK...

BOOK CLUB is off for the summer months. Their next meeting date is on **Tuesday, September 10** at 9:30am in the Library. They will be reading “The Gown” by Jennifer Robson. 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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