

# FIRST REFORMED CHURCH OF SOUTH HOLLAND

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FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
July 14, 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.

## FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Sunday, July 14, 2019 WE APPROACH GOD

Prelude	Steve DeVries
Welcome & Greeting One Another	Anthony Bolkema
*Congregational Singing	#2 <i>"Holy, Holy, Holy"</i> (vs. 1, 2, & 4) #356 <i>"All Creatures of Our God and King"</i> (vs. 1, 2, & 4) <i>"O Praise the Name"</i>
Prayer of Confession	<i>"Trisagion"</i>
Song of Assurance	<i>"His Mercy Is More"</i>

## THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture	Ephesians 1:1-2
Sermon	"A Divine Letter"

## WE RESPOND TO GOD

Congregational Prayer	Larry DeYoung
Offering	Steve DeVries
*Doxology	
*Benediction	Bill VanGroningen
*Sending in Grace	#834 <i>"Lord, Dismiss Us"</i> (vs. 2)
*Postlude	Steve DeVries

\*Those who are able please stand.

[Please join us downstairs in the Fellowship Hall after worship  
for a cup of conversation and a cookie.](#)

## ***SPECIAL PROJECTS FUNDING CAMPAIGN 2019...***



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

## ***WORSHIP...***

**OPPORTUNITY TO INVITE A FRIEND!** Our Outdoor Service is on **Sunday, August 25** at 9:30am on the beautiful front lawn of the Church. We will also celebrate our annual Church Picnic on that Sunday immediately following the morning service.

## ***CARE...***

**Craig Nelson** has been admitted to Ingalls Hospital with an infection.

**Joanne Hoeksema** is recovering from a surgery where they shaved a disc in her back that was pressing on a nerve.

**Leslie Buchanan** is recuperating from knee replacement surgery and is at the Villa in South Holland for rehab.

**Chuck Dinkel** has returned home and continues his recovery from neuro-cervical spine surgery in his neck.

**Bill Rietveld** has decided to not have surgery at this time, but he will continue to have tests done to determine if and when surgery may be needed.

**Jeannie Spike** will continue with preliminary testing in the weeks ahead, however, the bone marrow transplant will now be in September.

**Chinedu Akoma** underwent a surgical procedure Monday, please pray it will help with her recovery. The family requests your prayers as she continues to recuperate.

**David Besser's** PET scan showed that the cancer in his liver, bones and adrenal glands is gone. He still has a battle ahead with his brain cancer. He continues with targeted medications to work against this disease.

**Colton Smit**, great grandson of Clarence & Judy Brouwers, is recovering from surgery.

**OUR EXTENDED FAMILY:** Doris Boomsma, Village Woods, 2681 S. Rt. 394, Room 601, Crete, IL 60417

## ***PICTORIAL DIRECTORY UPDATES...***

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## ***CHURCH LIFE...***

**WE WELCOME TO THE PULPIT** this morning Dr. Bill VanGroningen. He is the Chaplain and Dean of Spiritual Formation at Trinity Christian College.

**THANK YOU** for all the cards, concerns, prayers, and calls concerning our daughter, Debbie. Her surgery was successful, and she has returned home from the hospital. – Ron & Diana Abernathy

**OUR CONGRATULATIONS** to Ken and AnnaMae Groeneveld celebrating their 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on Thursday, July 18.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** is gearing up for a new year full of exciting changes and new additions. If you are interested in volunteering in this growing area of ministry, please mark your calendars to join us for one of the two volunteer information meetings after church on **Sunday, July 21** and **Sunday, July 28**. See Rhonda Hesselink or Anthony Bolkema with any questions.

**ROSELAND CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES:** RCM is looking for some help sorting and tagging clothes in their thrift store. Please join us on **Thursday, July 25!** We'll meet at church to carpool at 9:30am and we'll be back around 2:00pm, so bring a lunch. We have a great time there! Contact Sara Jabaay (708)302-2612 or [sara.jabaay@gmail.com](mailto:sara.jabaay@gmail.com).

**CRUISE NIGHT** at the Town Center Commons (South Park Avenue north of Route 6 in South Holland) on **Saturday, July 27** and **Saturday, August 24** from 4-8pm. Open to classic, antique, custom and exotic cars, trucks and motorcycles. Live music, food vendors, bounce houses, face painting. Fun for Kids and Adults!

**PRAYER ROOM:** Need a word of encouragement or someone to pray with? Come to the prayer room after church until 11:00am. 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.

**OASIS COMING EVENTS:** Hang Night **tonight** at 6:30pm at church and **Wednesday, July 24** at 8:00am we will be helping the Weed & Feed group at church.

## ***OUR GIFTS...***

Sunday, July 7

Basket Total: \$15,025.00; Online Total: \$2,801.00; Special Offering: \$5,100.00

Giving Total: \$22,926.00

(Needed Weekly: \$11,000.00)

•The church office secretary summer hours are 9:00 am – noon, Monday – Friday•

UP & COMING AT FIRST...

SUNDAY, JULY 14

**GREETERS:** Roger & Judy Gill and Ray & Barb Housman  
**COFFEE SERVERS:** Trina Taylor, Gwen Adams and Faye Gowens  
**ORGAN:** Steve DeVries  
**PIANO:** Amy Veldboom  
**MUSIC TEAM:** Kim Bolkema, Joe Fransen, Julia Keep, Nick Paarlberg & Matthew Rietveld  
**PROJECTION:** Gwen Adams  
**SOUND:** James Kuyper  
**VIDEO:** Rhonda DeBok  
**NURSERY:** Darcy Daly and Mary Decker  
**PRAYER ROOM:** Roger & Arleta Hommes  
**WELCOME CENTER:** Rhonda Hesselink  
**FIRST RESPONSE TEAMS:** First Responder: Gwen Adams; First Response: Keith Durkin  
**COOKIE VOLUNTEERS:** Rhonda DeBok, Barb Grevengoed, Mary Koster & Mary Paulton

MONDAY, JULY 15

**7:00AM:** Knitters & Quilters meet in the Fellowship Hall  
**7:00PM:** Music Team meets in the Sanctuary

WEDNESDAY, JULY 17

**2:00PM:** Perpetual Care Committee meeting in the Heritage Room

SUNDAY, JULY 21

**GREETERS:** John & Gay Kraai and Ron & Shirley Scheffers  
**COFFEE SERVERS:** Don & Noreen VanDeursen and Colin & Geni Cutler  
**ORGAN:** Bonnie Feenstra  
**PIANO:** Joanne Hoeksema  
**MUSIC TEAM:** Kevin Hesselink, Bill Nyhanna, Nikki Nyhanna and Nick Paarlberg  
**PROJECTION:** Tiffany Buchanan  
**SOUND:** Rhonda Hesselink  
**VIDEO:** Mike Decker  
**NURSERY:** Rachel Wooley and Merley Verhagen  
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STAFF...

<b>Pastor Corey Buchanan</b> <i>Director of Mercy &amp; Justice Ministries</i>	<b>Toni Smith</b> <i>Director of Family Life Christian Pre-School &amp; Day Care</i>
<b>Anthony Bolkema</b> <i>Director of Worship &amp; Student Life</i>	<b>Steve Alexander</b> <i>Church Custodian</i>
<b>Rev. Dr. Rich Grevengoed</b> <i>Pastor of Care &amp; Visitation</i>	<b>Darcy Daly</b> <i>Nursery Coordinator</i>
<b>Rev. Mel De Vries</b> <i>Pastor Emeritus</i>	<b>Jane Ackerman</b> <i>Church Accountant</i>
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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.