

FIRST REFORMED CHURCH

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FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Communion Sunday, February 2, 2020



Welcome...

Here may the faithful find salvation and the careless be awakened;
Here may the doubting find faith and the anxious be encouraged;
Here may the struggling find help and the sorrowful find comfort;
Here may the weary find rest and the strong be renewed;
Here may the hurting find consolation and the searching be inspired;
Here may strangers find fellowship and friends be united;
Here may the voiceless find their song and the marginalized find a home;
Here may hate be challenged and community be formed.
We open our doors and welcome you in the name of Jesus.

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WE APPROACH GOD

Prelude

Joanne Hoeksema

Welcome & Greeting One Another

Pastor James Oord

*Congregational Singing

#2 *"Holy, Holy, Holy"* (vs. 1, 3, & 4)
#26 *"Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"*

Prayer of Confession

Pastor Corey Buchanan

Song of Assurance

"Before the Throne"

THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture

Luke 4:14-30

Sermon

"Sentir con la Iglesia"

WE RESPOND TO GOD

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Congregational Prayer

Barb Grevengoed

Offering

Joanne Hoeksema

*Doxology

*Benediction

Pastor Jim Oord

*Sending in Grace

#560 *"May the Mind of Christ My Savior"* (vs. 5)

*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.

UP & COMING AT FIRST...

COMMUNION SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2

GREETERS: John & Ramelle DeVries and Don & Noreen VanDeursen

COFFEE SERVERS: Clair & Lynn Hoeksema and Rodger & Sherry Norris

NURSERY: Darcy Daly & Marie Hesselink

MUSIC TEAM: Peter Keep, Bill Nyhanna, Nick Paarlberg, & Abby Veldboom

ORGAN: Joanne Hoeksema

PIANO: Amy Veldboom

PROJECTION: Felicia Flowers; **SOUND:** Kevin Hesselink; **VIDEO:** Rhonda DeBok

PRAYER ROOM: Ron & Diana Abernathy; **WELCOME CENTER:** Don VanBaren

FIRST RESPONSE TEAMS: First Emergency: Craig Nelson; First Security: Mike Costello

COOKIE VOLUNTEERS: Mary Decker, Pam Furst, Norma Smit & Deb Woltzen

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3

9:30AM: Knitters & Quilters meet in the Fellowship Hall

7:00PM: Music Team Rehearsal

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5

7:30AM: Management Team Meeting meets in the Genesis Room

7:00PM: Choir Rehearsal

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8

9:00AM: Food Packing Event in the Loft

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9

GREETERS: Griff & Mary Decker and Bob & Nancy Asmus

COFFEE SERVERS: Jim & Bonnie DeGroot and Ray & Barb Housman

NURSERY: Darcy Daly & Isabella Veldboom

MUSIC TEAM: Calvin Hondoko, Julia Keep, Nate Krygsheld, and Nick Paarlberg

ORGAN: Margaret Oetjen

PIANO: Joanne Hoeksema

PROJECTION: Darrow Alexander

SOUND: Kevin Hesselink

VIDEO: Ron Rietveld

PRAYER ROOM: Roger & Arleta Hommes; **WELCOME CENTER:** Rick Veldboom

FIRST RESPONSE TEAMS: First Emergency: Craig Nelson; First Security: Mike Costello

COOKIE VOLUNTEERS: Barb Grevengoed, Gail Housman, Mary Koster & Mary Paulton

CARE...

Harris DeYoung has been able to return home from the hospital.

Dorothy Jacobsma is rehabbing from her hip surgery at Symphony of Dyer.

Carol Barnes is recovering from successful back surgery at Rush University Medical Center.

LaVerne Kampen is at the Villa in South Holland, Room 120, for rehab.

Leona Jacobs is in hospice care at Park Place in Elmhurst.

Chinedu Akoma continues her recuperation at home.

Bob Griffin continues with his treatments for lung cancer. Pray for signs of improvement.

Dave Schultz, brother of Deb Woltzen, continues with treatments for lung cancer.

Deb Woltzen's mother, **Jean Schultz** is now in Franciscan in Dyer for rehab.

OUR EXTENDED FAMILY: Viola VanDam, Providence Palos Room 1, 13259 Central Ave., Crestwood, IL 60418

PICTORIAL DIRECTORY UPDATES...

New Address:

Keith and Aubrey Durkin

(Anna, John, and Romy)

9724 Northcote Avenue

St. John, IN 46373

SPECIAL PROJECTS FUNDING CAMPAIGN 2020...



Tours of the parsonage improvements are being scheduled for March. 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.

OUR WORSHIP SERVICES, as well as Faith & Fellowship formation ministries are in full swing and it's a great time to be part of our First Church Family. The deacons would like to encourage all members to continue your faithful support of the ministry of First Reformed Church through your tithes and donations. We have now returned to full staff and therefore need your contributions to support our current budget of \$584,997. Needed each week is 11,249.95 in support of this budget. Our weekly shortfall has been \$1,000. Please continue your faithful giving. As we grow together in the Grace of Christ, we are so very thankful to God for First Church and eagerly anticipate the work He will continue to do in and through us.

SERMON NOTES...

Luke 4:14-30
“Sentir con la Iglesia”
Pastor Jim Oord

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.

CHURCH LIFE...

"FIRST THINGS FIRST," a class for those who are interested in joining our church or making public profession of faith, will be offered during the month of March. This is a four week course, taught by Pastors Anthony, Corey, and Jim, covering questions like "what do we believe," "why do we worship the way we do," and "what does it mean to be a church member?" Attending this class does not obligate you to become a member, it's also a good place to learn more about our church and ask questions about Christianity. If you're interested in joining us, sign up in the Fellowship Hall or speak to a pastor.

THERE WILL BE A FOOD PACKING PARTY in the Loft **Saturday, February 8**, at 9:00am. If you can help pack boxes from our food pantry, please add your name to the volunteer sign-up sheet in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you!

BOOK CLUB will meet on **Tuesday, February 11**, at 9:30am in the Library. We will be reading Seeking Allah, Finding Jesus by Nabeel Qureshi. Questions? Call Nancy Bates @596.7314.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY is on **Tuesday, February 11**, at 1:00pm in the Genesis Room. Please review the homework from Session 6, "The Helmet of Salvation." Focus on Ephesians 6:10-20 as we view the DVD and complete the viewer's guide on pages 180-181. You will receive a new study book, "A Shepherd Looks at Psalm 23." Please read Chapters 1-3 for our next session. Treats will be provided by Mary Decker and Joanne Hoeksema.

FAMILY AND FRIENDS are invited to stop in and wish Bill Rietveld a Happy 90th birthday at his home on **Sunday, Feb 16**, from 1pm-3pm. Coffee & cookies served. No gifts necessary!

ANOTHER ROSELAND MINISTRIES THRIFT STORE workday is planned for **Thursday, February 20**. Please call Barb Grevengeod at 476.1341 for ride-sharing details. Thank you.

VOLUNTEERS are needed to make your favorite soups for our annual Soup Supper following our **Ash Wednesday Service**, on **February 26**. Please sign-up downstairs or call the church office at 333.0622. Also, please sign-up in the Fellowship Hall if you are joining us for the evening.

ANOTHER FELLOWSHIP FORMATION EVENT will be held on **Saturday, March 28**. We will be heading to Medieval Times Dinner and Tournament in Schaumburg, IL. The night will feature a two-hour live medieval knight show (including jousting, weaponry, falconry, and horsemanship) as well as a four-course medieval feast (including soup, garlic bread, potato, chicken, corn on the cob, drinks, and dessert.) Make it a date night or bring the whole family along. Tickets are \$50 for adults and \$40 for children ages 3- 12.

OUR GIFTS...

Sunday, January 26

Basket Total: \$15,025.00; Online Total: \$665.00; Special Offering: \$5,437.59

Gift/Memorial: Doris Peterson, \$25.00

Giving Total: \$21,152.59; (Needed Weekly: \$11,250.00)

WORSHIP...

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE will be **Wednesday, February 26** 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 together. Nursery provided.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT LENTEN SERVICES will be held in the Chapel on Wednesdays at 6:00pm. Don't miss out on this mid-week opportunity to re-calibrate our hearts and minds on the mercy of Jesus (nursery provided).

- March 4 – Lenten Lessons & Hymns
- March 11 – Prayers of Lament
- March 18 – Liturgical Prayer Service
- March 25 – Lenten Lessons & Hymns
- April 1 – Prayers of Lament
- April 8 – Liturgical Prayer Service

April 9: **Maundy Thursday Service** at 6:00pm in the Fellowship Hall (nursery provided). We will have our casserole dinner first and then our service follows.

April 10: **Good Friday Service** will be held in the Chapel at 7:00pm (nursery provided).

April 12: **Easter Sunday** our service begins at 9:30am.

LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES...

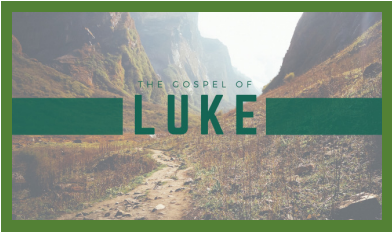
THE GOSPEL PROJECT: For ALL ages!

All students (3-year-old through 5th grade) can be dropped off in the Genesis Room at 11:00am and picked up there at 12:00pm. The adult class meets in the Chapel from 11:00am-12:00pm.

- ❖ February 2: “God Overrides Evil with Good”
Can God's divine sovereignty bring beauty from the ashes of each of our lives? Or are those sorts of stories only limited to the pages of the Bible?
Join us at 11:00am as we discuss these questions in light of the story of Joseph.
- ❖ February 9: “God Hears His People”
- ❖ February 16: “God Frees His People”
- ❖ February 23: “God Delivers His People”

THE HEIDELBERG CATECHISM FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING: This multi-generational class is open to learners of all ages from 6th grade on up!

- ❖ February 2: “The Sixth Commandment” (Q & A 105-107)
Living in the World: How our thought, words, deeds, and gestures are to show God in our lives.
- ❖ February 9: “The Seventh Commandment” (Q & A 108-109)
- ❖ February 16: “The Eighth Commandment” (Q & A 110-112)
- ❖ February 23: “The Tenth Commandment” (Q & A 113-115)



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STAFF...

- Rev. James Oord
Senior Pastor
- Pastor Corey Buchanan
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- Rev. Dr. Rich Grevengood
Pastor of Care & Visitation
- Nyla DeGraff
Church Administrator
- Gerri VanBaren
Administrative Assistant
- Judy Gill
Care & Visitation Assistant
- Steve Alexander
Church Custodian
- Jane Ackerman
Church Accountant
- Darcy Daly
Nursery Coordinator
- Toni Smith
Director of Family Life Christian Pre-School & Day Care

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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.