# FIRST REFORMED CHURCH

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FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Communion Sunday, March 1, 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.

### FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

# Communion Sunday, March 1 WE APPROACH GOD

**Prelude** Joanne Hoeksema

Welcome & Greeting One Another Pastor Rich Grevengoed

\*Congregational Singing #86 "We Come, O Christ, To You" (vs. 1, 2, & 4)

"Cornerstone"

Prayer of Confession "We Confess"

**Song of Assurance** "Nothing but the Blood" (vs. 1, 3, & 4)

THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture Matthew 26:69-75

Sermon "Not My Will: Jesus vs. Reputation"

WE RESPOND TO GOD

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Congregational Prayer Roger DeGraff

Offering "Beneath the Cross of Jesus"

\*Doxology

\*Benediction Pastor Jim Oord

\*Sending in Grace "Thy Will Be Done" (vs. 1)

\*Postlude "The Power of the Cross"

Please join us downstairs in the Fellowship Hall after worship for a cup of conversation and a cookie.

<sup>\*</sup>Those who are able please stand.

#### **UP & COMING AT FIRST...**

#### **COMMUNION SUNDAY, MARCH 1**

GREETERS: Roger & Judy Gill and Ron & Shirley Scheffers

COFFEE SERVERS: Colin & Geni Cutler and Don & Noreen VanDeursen

**NURSERY:** Darcy Daly and Julia Keep

MUSIC TEAM: Kim Bolkema, Calvin Hondoko, Peter Keep, Nate Krygsheld, Nikki Nyhanna, & Nick

Paarlberg

ORGAN: Joanne Hoeksema
PIANO: Anthony Bolkema
PROJECTION: Felicia Flowers
SOUND: Kevin Hesselink
VIDEO: Ron Rietveld

**PRAYER ROOM:** Roger & Judy Gill **WELCOME CENTER:** Russ Paarlberg

FIRST RESPONSE TEAMS: First Emergency: Judy Gill; First Security: Rick Furst COOKIE VOLUNTEERS: Pam Furst, Norma Smit, Gerri VanBaren & Deb Woltzen

#### MONDAY, MARCH 2

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

7:00PM: Music Team Rehearsal

#### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4

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

**6:00PM:** Lenten Service in the Chapel

#### **SUNDAY, MARCH 8**

**GREETERS:** Ray & Barb Housman and Ron & Diana Abernathy **COFFEE SERVERS:** Mike & Cindy Nylen and Faye Gowens

**NURSERY:** Darcy Daly and Dawn Kuyper

MUSIC TEAM: Joe Fransen, Bill Nyhanna, Nick Paarlberg, & Rachel Wooley

**ORGAN:** Margaret Oetjen **PIANO:** Joanne Hoeksema

**PROJECTION:** Darrow Alexander; **SOUND:** Aaron Taylor; **VIDEO:** Mike Decker **PRAYER ROOM:** Roger & Arleta Hommes; **WELCOME CENTER:** Trina Taylor **FIRST RESPONSE TEAMS:** First Emergency: Judy Gill; First Security: Rick Furst

COOKIE VOLUNTEERS: Nancy DeVries, Barb Grevengoed, Gail Housman & Mary Koster

OASIS: Meets in the Loft from 6:30-8:00PM

#### CARE...

Roger Bovenkerk has been admitted to a hospital in Florida.

**LaVerne Kampen** has been discharged from Ingalls and is now at Villa of South Holland.

Carol Barnes is returning home today (438 Eden Lane, Crete, IL 60417). She is recuperating well.

**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 has completed rehab and is staying with Dennis & Deb.

**OUR EXTENDED FAMILY:** Paulette Adams, 16301 Drexel Ave., South Holland, IL 60473

#### WORSHIP...

**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 25 – Lenten Lessons & Hymns

March 11 – Prayers of Lament April 1 – Prayers of Lament

March 18 – Liturgical Prayer Service 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.

#### **AREA EVENTS:**

**SOUTH HOLLAND FIRE DEPARTMENT'S** annual 'all you can eat' pancake breakfast is **Saturday**, **March 28** from 7:00-11:00am at Station #1, 16230 Wausau Avenue. The cost is \$8.00 per person....

A NIGHT OF PRAYER FOR PASS: Please join us as we pray for our staff, our volunteers, our clients and our ministry, as we continue to do this important work. Please come anytime between 5:00 – 9:00pm on these dates: Friday, May 15 in Tinley Park, Friday, August 21 in Lansing, and Friday, November 20 in South Holland. No need to RSVP, please just come! Join us for 5 minutes or the entire time (however long you are able to stay!)

# **SERMON NOTES...**

Matthew 26:69-75
"Not My Will: Jesus vs. Reputation"
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...

**NOMINATING BALLOTS** for the **Tuesday, May 12** Congregational Meeting at 7:00PM were placed in your mail slots (shut-ins and those out-of-town were mailed). Your completed ballots should be placed in the ballot boxes on the Narthex shelves by **Sunday morning, March 22**.

"FIRST THINGS FIRST," a class for those who are interested in joining our church or making public profession of faith, will be offered on March 8, 15, 22 & 29. We will be meeting in the living room of the parsonage at 11:00am. 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 one of our pastors.

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.

**PSALM 91:9 READS:** "If you say, 'The Lord is my refuge, and you make the Most High your dwelling, no harm will overtake you, no disaster will come near your tent." Soon, Pastor Jim, Raylene, and the Oord family will lay roots in our community, not in a tent, but in our beautifully remodeled parsonage. We prayerfully ask for your continued contributions as we near the pinnacle of this project. Please see the letter in your church mail slot for further information and the dates of the parsonage tours.

**SAVE THE DATE:** Elim's annual Hostess Supper is Friday, April 17 at 6:00pm and will be held at our church this year. Everyone is welcome...please join us. Contact Judy Gill, Lynn Hoeksema, Tricia Paarlberg or Wanda Veld with any questions you may have.

**ANOTHER ROSELAND MINISTRIES THRIFT STORE** workday is planned for this **Thursday, March 19**. Please call Barb Grevengoed at 476.1341 for ride-sharing details. Thank you.

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#### LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES...

THE GOSPEL PROJECT: For ALL ages!

All students (3-year-old through 5<sup>th</sup> grade) can be dropped off in the Genesis Room at 11:00am and picked up there at 12:00pm.

- ❖ March 1: No Sunday School
- ❖ March 8: "A Test in The Wilderness" Exodus 16:2-4, 13-20; 17:3-6; I Corinthians 10:1-4
- ❖ March 15: "A Leader's Wisdom" Exodus 18:7-18, 24-27
- March 22: "A Law for God's People"

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

- ❖ March 1: No Sunday School
- ❖ March 8: "Praying for All It's Worth: Lord, teach us to pray." (Q & A 116-119)
- ❖ March 15: "Praying for All It's Worth: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name."
- ❖ March 22: "Praying for All It's Worth: Your Kingdom come, Your Will be Done." (Q & A 123-124)

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** is this **Tuesday, March 10,** at 1:00pm in the Genesis Room. We will discuss Chapters 4-6 of the new study book, "A Shepherd Looks at Psalm 23." Read Chapters 7-8 for our next session. Treats provided by Judy Brouwers and AnnaMae Groeneveld.

**BOOK CLUB** will meet this **Tuesday, March 10,** at 9:30am in the Library. We will be reading <u>The Story of Arthur Truluv</u> by Elizabeth Berg. Questions? Call Nancy Bates at 596.7314.

**OUR GIFTS...** 

#### Sunday, February 23

Basket Total: \$4,616.00
Online Total: \$765.00
Giving Total: \$5,381.00
(Needed Weekly: \$11,250.00)

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**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME** begins on **Sunday, March 8**. Please set your clocks one hour before you go to bed on Saturday night.



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# STAFF...

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