

FIRST REFORMED CHURCH

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OUTDOOR SERVICE

Sunday, August 9, 2020



Tune to FM 89.9 if you remain in your car with windows closed...

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.

CARE...

Bill Rietveld has been transferred to The Villa and is on the 1st floor for two weeks; he will then have a room on the 2nd floor.

Don VanDeursen continues his recuperation from surgery after breaking his right elbow and fracturing his left wrist.

Rachel Wooley is recuperating at home from out-patient foot surgery.

Craig Nelson is recovering at home from surgery due to a painful abscess. Craig is also recovering from COVID as well as Jan.

Christopher Nelson, son of Craig and Jan, will be having radiation treatments due to returning cancer.

Marla Owens is in Dyer Nursing and Rehab Center, Room 164-2.

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

Bob Griffin continues with treatments for lung cancer.

Sarah Bird, daughter of Dan & Terry Dieck is recuperating from disc surgery due to excessive pain.

Dale Wright, son of Dave and Becky Wright, is at the Mayo Clinic for tests.

Ray Banks is home but continues to have physical, occupational and speech therapy. He has a long road of recovery ahead of him. Cards can be sent to Restoration Ministries (253 E. 159th Street, Harvey, 60426) and they will be delivered to him.

THANK YOU for your prayers, cards, and calls while Don was hospitalized. He is home and doing well.
Don & Jean Spiekhout

ON AUGUST 13, our mother will turn 100 years old. Due to the COVID crisis, we cannot take her out of the nursing home for a party, or out to church. We are asking for church members to please send her a card and maybe a picture if you have one, or a remembrance of an event that you both were involved in. She is allowed visitors at her window, and if you can drive up there to visit her, we would appreciate it. Her address is as follows:

Viola Van Dam
C/O Providence Downer Grove
3450 Saratoga Ave
Downer Grove, IL 60515
Her direct phone number is: 1-630-324-7270

Thanks so much,
The Family of Viola Van Dam

UP & COMING AT FIRST...

KNITTERS & QUILTERS will meet **Monday, August 17** in the Fellowship Hall at 9:30am.

OUR BOOK CLUB will **not** be starting in the fall.

TODAY IS THE START of the HOPE Packs drive. In your bulletin today, you received 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 August** 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.

ELIM DUTCH FESTIVAL: Support Elim's students and adults through this year's "**No Fest Dutch Fest**"! Due to the uncertainties of the coronavirus situation, we will not be able to host our traditional Dutch Festival event on Elim's campus in September. But you can still enjoy *many* of your Dutch Festival favorites through the "No Fest Dutch Fest" event! **Our Dutch Village ONLINE SHOP will be open July 13 – August 15!** Just go to elimcs.org/dutch-festival and place your order *by August 15*. Curbside pick-up will take place on Saturday, September 26, 2020, at Elim Christian Services. All proceeds directly bless children and adults with disabilities. Questions? Call 708-293-6509 or email Laura.Schnyders@elimcs.org.

CHURCH FINANCIAL REPORTS for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020 are available in a single marked mail slot located on the north end of our mail slots. Due to COVID, a copy of the financial statement can also be emailed to you by notifying the church office. If you have any questions please contact Deacon, Griff Decker.

OUR GIFTS...

Sunday, August 2

Basket Total: \$5,725.00
Online Total: \$4,880.00
Giving Total: \$10,605.00
(Needed Weekly: \$11,250.00)

All Glory Be To God On High

All glory be to God on high and thanks to Him forever!
Whatever Satan's host may try, God foils their dark endeavor.
He bends His ear to every call and offers peace, goodwill to all,
and calms the troubled spirit.

O Father, for Your lordship true we give You praise and honor;
We worship You, we trust in You, we give You thanks forever.
Your will is perfect, and Your might
relentlessly confirms the right; Your lordship is our blessing.

Lord Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, creation's author,
Redeemer of Your wandering ones, and source of all true pleasure:
O Lamb of God, O Lord divine, conform our lives to Your design,
and on us all have mercy.

O Holy Spirit, perfect gift, Who brings us consolation:
To men and women saved by Christ assure Your inspiration.
Through sickness, need, and bitter death,
grant us Your warm, life-giving breath;
our lives are in Your keeping.

In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found;
He is my light, my strength, my song;
this cornerstone, this solid ground,
firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My comforter, my all in all—
here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, Who took on flesh,
fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness,

scorned by the ones He came to save.
‘Til on that cross as Jesus died,
the wrath of God was satisfied;
For every sin on Him was laid—
here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay,
light of the world by darkness slain;
then bursting forth in glorious day,
up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory,
sin's curse has lost its grip on me;
for I am His and He is mine—
bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death—
this is the power of Christ in me;
from life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man,
can ever pluck me from His hand;
‘til He returns or calls me home—
here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

Nothing But The Blood

What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus.
What can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

**O! Precious is the flow that makes me white as snow,
no other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus.**

This is all my hope and peace:
nothing but the blood of Jesus.
This is all my righteousness:

Words of Commitment: Responsive Reading¹

Leader: Our Triune God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, gathers, protects, and cares for his Church. God has done this since the beginning of the world and will do to the end.

People: We are a community of believers who have been reconciled with God and with each other.

Leader: Our unity is manifested and active in the ways we love each other; the ways we experience, practice, and pursue community with one another; the ways we give ourselves willingly and joyfully to be of benefit and blessing to one another; the ways we share one faith, having one calling, and are of one soul and one mind.

People: Together we are built up to be God's new humanity. Together we pursue unity. Together we fight against separation. Together we venture on the road of obedience and reconciliation.

Leader: God has entrusted us, his Church, with the message of reconciliation in and through Jesus Christ.

People: We are called blessed when we are peacemakers. Let us witness both by our words and deeds to the new heaven and the new earth in which righteousness dwells.

“Take My Life” with “Sanctuary”

Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to Thee.
Take my moments and my days, let them flow in ceaseless praise;
let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of Thy love.
Take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for Thee;
swift and beautiful for Thee.

1. ¹*Adapted from the Belhar Confession (1982), one of our church's confessional statements.*

**I am Yours, set apart for You
I am Yours, hungry for Your truth
Take my life, You are all I live for, I am Yours.**

*Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary,
pure and holy, tried and true.
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living
sanctuary for You.*

God of Justice

God of justice, Savior to all,
came to rescue the weak and the poor;
chose to serve and not be served.
Jesus You have called us; freely we've received
now freely we will give.

**We must go – live to feed the hungry,
stand beside the broken – we must go.
Stepping forward keep us from just singing,
move us into action; we must go.**

To act justly every day,
loving mercy in every way,
walking humbly before You God.
You have shown us what You require;
freely we've received now freely we will give

*Fill us up and send us out, fill us up and send us out,
Fill us up and send us out, Lord.*

Doxology

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow,
praise Him, all creatures here below,
praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts,
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, amen



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Join us again next Sunday in the church parking lot for our outdoor worship service. If you are visiting with us, we would like to get to know you better. Please fill out the information below and tear off and place it in the offering plate as you exit the parking lot.

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Address_____

Email_____

Phone_____