

FIRST REFORMED CHURCH OF SOUTH HOLLAND

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THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
Sunday, January 24, 2021



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

"How Beautiful"
"The Gift of Love"
"Fellowship Medley"

Welcome & Greeting One Another

Pastor Jim Oord

*Time of Worship

"All Glory Be to God on High"
"The Lord Is My Salvation"

Prayer of Confession

Pastor Corey Buchanan

Song of Assurance

"When I Think About the Lord"

THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture

Romans 8:25-30; 16:1-16

Sermon

"Love One Another: Nurture a People-First Mentality"

Song of Response

"They'll Know We Are Christians"

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Congregational Prayer

Pastor Corey Buchanan

Offering

*Doxology

*Benediction

Pastor Jim Oord

*Sending in Grace

"In This Dry Land"

*Postlude

"Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

*Those who are able please stand.

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

UP & COMING AT FIRST...

SUNDAY, JANUARY 24

USHERS: Gwen Adams, Don & Nyla DeGraff, Roger DeGraff, Jim DeGroot, and Dennis Woltzen

GREETERS: Bonnie DeGroot, Rodger Norris, Mike Nylen, Cindy Nylen, and Don VanBaren

MUSIC TEAM: Austin Parks, Bill Nyhanna, Peter Keep, and Bella VanderWoude

ORGAN: Bonnie Feenstra

PIANO: Joanne Hoeksema

PROJECTION: Felicia Flowers

VIDEO: Rhonda DeBok

OASIS: 6:30-8:00pm meeting in the Activity Center.

MONDAY, JANUARY 25

7:00PM: Music Team Rehearsal in the Sanctuary.

7:00PM: Caring Elders & Caring Deacons meet in the Fellowship Hall.

7:30PM: Elders and Deacons meetings

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26

1:00PM: Women's Bible Study meets in the Fellowship Hall.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 31

USHERS: Ray Ondrejka, Deb Oord, Russ Paarlberg, Clifton Rhodes, Ron Rietveld, and Mike Spitz

GREETERS: Clair Hoeksema, Trina Taylor, Alison VanderWoude, Liam VanderWoude, Lucas VanderWoude, and Lynn Hoeksema

MUSIC TEAM: Nate Krygsheld, Nick Paarlberg, Matthew Rietveld, and Robert & Rachel Wooley

ORGAN: Joanne Hoeksema

PIANO: Amy Veldboom

PROJECTION: Gwen Adams

VIDEO: Keith Flowers

CARE...

Marie Hesselink has been diagnosed with papillary thyroid cancer. She had an encouraging meeting with the specialist and is in the process of determining treatment.

Rhonda Hesselink's surgery has been postponed to February due to coming down with COVID.

Ruth DeBoer has returned to Park Place and is in rehab, Room 103.

Marcus Barnes left Rush Hospital and is now at their daughter's home in Quincy, IL. Marcus and Carol will be living there while Marcus is getting rehab. Address to send cards is 4102 Maine Street, Quincy, IL, 62305 (Carol can be reached on her cell phone - 630-336-2618).

Christopher Nelson, son of Craig and Jan Nelson, continues needing prayer as he struggles with non-Hodgkin's lymphoma.

Leona Jacobs is in Hospice Care at Park Place in Elmhurst, Room 207.

Brian Van Vuren is recuperating from surgery at home now. He has a long road of recovery ahead of him.

Stu and Lili Swenson's son, Mark, continues at Evanston Hospital with serious COVID and pneumonia. He will slowly be taken off the heart/lung machine as his condition improves. The family is grateful for your prayers.

Joy Poulos, daughter of Clarence & Judy Brouwers, is under doctors' care as her lymphoma has come back. She will begin treatments the 2nd week of January.

Jane Coleman, Judy Brouwer's sister, is at Bickford Nursing Home in Dyer for rehab.

Chad and Dara VandenBosch, our missionaries in Mozambique, need your prayers as they await a final court date for their adoption of Zinha.

OUR EXTENDED FAMILY: **Marilyn DeYoung**, Grace Commons, W195 N9550, Rolling Meadow Circle, Menomonee Falls, WI 53051

SERMON NOTES...

“Love One Another: Nurture a People-First Mentality”

Romans 8:25-30; 16:1-16

Pastor Jim Oord

CHURCH LIFE...

THE QUILTERS AND KNITTERS are going to start meeting together again beginning **Monday, February 1** at 9:30am in the Fellowship Hall. They will be meeting the 1st and 3rd Monday of the month.

UPDATED PICTORIAL DIRECTORIES are presently being worked on. If you have any changes on your address/phone number/email addresses or if you would like to submit an updated photo of you or your family, please email to church office at office@frcsh.org by the end of January.

“LOVE ONE ANOTHER” signs are available at the Welcome Center in the Fellowship Hall, or through the church office. Share your faith with neighbors and friends. Post a sign as your New Year’s (or any year’s) resolution!

JOIN US FOR A FIRST REFORMED CHURCH CAMPING TRIP this summer from July 30 - August 1 at Potato Creek State Park in North Liberty, IN. Registrations are due by this **Friday, January 29** to guarantee your spot. See the handout in your church mail slot for more information. Contact Anthony Bolkema with any questions.

WORSHIP...

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE will be **Wednesday, February 17** at 6:00pm in the Sanctuary. Join us for a time of worship and take home a cup of soup as we begin the Lenten Season together.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT LENTEN SERVICES will be held in the Sanctuary 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.

February 24 – Lenten Hymn sing **March 17** – Following in Patrick’s Footsteps

March 3 – Prayers of Lament **March 24** – Prayers of Lament

March 10 – Lenten Hymn sing **March 31** – Lenten Hymn sing

April 1: Maundy Thursday Digital Service.

April 2: Good Friday Service will be held in the Sanctuary at 7:00pm.

April 4: Easter Sunday service at 9:30am.

SECRETARIES’ COVID OFFICE HOURS

9:00AM – NOON / Monday – Friday

SPECIAL PROJECTS FUNDING CAMPAIGN 2021...



AS INDOOR WORSHIP HAS RESUMED and Faith & Fellowship Formation ministries are starting up again, it is a great time to be a 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 your donations. Currently, we need to complete raising funds to pay for the renovation work that was done in the parsonage. We are approaching the halfway point, but we still need to raise \$65,050.94 to add to the \$59,827.46 that has been raised thus far. Thank you in advance for your generous support!

LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES...

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Three and four-year-olds meet in the sanctuary, K-2nd Grade in the Genesis Room, 3rd-5th Grade in the Heritage Room, and 6th-12th Grade in the Narthex. The Sunday School classes start 10 minutes after the service concludes and will last 15 minutes. We look forward to growing in God's Word together!

THE LADIES' BIBLE STUDY will be meeting this **Tuesday, January 26**, at 1:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. We will review homework from Session 1, "I Am Jonah," and watch the video, "The Life Interrupted." We will fill in the viewer's guide on pages 32-33. Please do the homework on "See Jonah Run," pages 35-53 and be prepared to discuss your findings on Tuesday, February 9.

OUR GIFTS...

Sunday, January 17, 2021

Basket Total: \$2,938.00; Online Total: \$1,790.00;
Giving Total: \$4,728.00; (Needed Weekly: \$11,250.00)

There are several ways to bring your gifts to the church:

- Online.
- Mail.
- Bring to church office.
- Put them in the mailbox right outside of the church office door.



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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.