

FIRST REFORMED CHURCH OF SOUTH HOLLAND

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THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT
Communion Sunday, March 7, 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

Organ Prelude	Joanne Hoeksema
Welcome & Greeting One Another	Pastor Corey Buchanan
*Time of Worship	<i>"O Worship the King"</i> <i>"I Stand Amazed"</i>
Prayer of Confession	Pastor Jim Oord
Song of Assurance	<i>"Before the Throne"</i>

THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture Responsive Reading	Psalm 139:13-18
Song of Mediation	<i>"Thy Will Be Done"</i>
Scripture Reading	John 3:16-21
Sermon	"Not My Will: Fully Known"
Song of Response	<i>"Thy Will Be Done"</i>

WE RESPOND TO GOD

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper	<i>"Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed"</i>
Congregational Prayer	Pastor Corey Buchanan
*Doxology	
*Benediction	
*Sending in Grace	<i>"All For Jesus! All For Jesus!"</i>
*Postlude	Joanne Hoeksema
*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, MARCH 7

USHERS: Gwen Adams, Don & Nyla DeGraff, Roger & Laurel DeGraff, and Rodger Norris

GREETERS: Jim DeGroot, Mike & Cindy Nylen, and Don & Gerri VanBaren

MUSIC TEAM: Kim Bolkema, Nate Krysgheld, Bill Nyhanna, Nick Paarlberg & Abby Veldboom

ORGAN: Joanne Hoeksema; **PIANO:** Amy Veldboom

PROJECTION: Trina Taylor; **VIDEO:** Eric Pradelski

OASIS: 6:30-8:00pm will meet in the Activity Center/Fellowship Hall

MONDAY, MARCH 8

7:00AM: Trustees meet in the Heritage Room.

TUESDAY, MARCH 9

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

7:00PM: Diversity in Action Meeting in the Fellowship Hall.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10

6:00PM: Lenten Service in the Sanctuary.

7:00PM: Learning Team meeting in the Genesis Room.

7:00PM: Bell Rehearsal in the Fellowship Hall.

THURSDAY, MARCH 11

10:00AM: Insurance review meeting in the Fellowship Hall.

SATURDAY, MARCH 13

6:30-8:00PM: Bingo Night in the Activity Center.

SUNDAY, MARCH 14

USHERS: Russ Paarlberg, Ron Rietveld, Trina Taylor, Alison VanderWoude, and Liam VanderWoude

GREETERS: Don & Gerri VanBaren, Steve VanderWoude, and Dennis & Deb Woltzen

ORGAN: Joanne Hoeksema; **PIANO:** Anthony Bolkema

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CARE...

Les VanDeursen is at Hartsfield Nursing Home in Munster, Room C106.

Barb Rietveld is receiving hospice care at home as her health continues to decline. Pray for comfort and peace for Barb and the family.

Marla Owens has been admitted to Franciscan Hospital in Dyer and will have surgery in approximately 2 weeks.

Ruth DeBoer has moved to Village Woods.

Gabby Gatlin has been released from the hospital.

Wayne Deinema is recovering from surgery at home; Joyce continues to recuperate from COVID.

Brian Van Vuren is recuperating from surgery at home now.

Lindsey Robertson, brother-in-law of Larry DeYoung, has multiple myeloma and had a stem cell transplant at the University of Chicago Tuesday, February 2.

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

Stu and Lili Swenson's son, Mark, has been able to leave the hospital; he is showing improvement and is in rehab. The family appreciates all the prayers.

OUR EXTENDED FAMILY: Barb DeWolf, Village Woods, Room 514, 2681 S. Rt. 394, Crete, IL 60417

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 on **Tuesday, March 9**, at 1:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. Please complete Week 4 in your study guide, "Second Chances" p. 81-101. We will be viewing our next video on Jonah, "God Can Make the Impossible, Possible". Hope to see you there.

SERMON NOTES...

“Not My Will: Fully Known”

Psalm 139:13-18; John 3:16-21

Pastor Jim Oord

CHURCH LIFE...

NOMINATING BALLOTS for the **Tuesday, May 11** 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 21**.

A NIGHT LIKE NEVER B-4: Does COVID have you tired of saying “**But I Never Go Out** anymore!?” On **Saturday, March 13**, we will be having a Bingo Night from 6:30-8:00pm in the Activity Center. Join us in person or via Zoom as you are comfortable. The event is free, though each family unit should bring a prize valued at no more than \$10. This prize will be entered into the prize pool. Please RSVP by noon on **Thursday, March 11**.

WE HAVE REACHED OUR GOAL of providing 100 hospice kits to the compassionate ministry of Chad and Dara VandenBosch in Mozambique. **THANK YOU** for your eager generosity! If you have completed kits at home, please still deliver them to church. If you want to participate further, you can still donate money which will be used to purchase other items on their wish-list to send with these kits this spring.

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. The deadline has been extended until after our Congregational meeting on May 11.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME begins on **Sunday, March 14**. Please set your clocks forward one hour before you go to bed on Saturday night (right after Bingo night!).



OUR GIFTS...

Sunday, February 21, 2021

Basket Total: \$6,956.25; Online Total: \$2,066.00

Hospice Kits – \$100.00; Special Projects – \$600.00

Giving Total: \$9,722.25 (Needed Weekly: \$11,250.00)

WORSHIP...

WEDNESDAY NIGHT LENTEN SERVICES will be held in the Sanctuary and live streamed on Wednesdays at 6:00pm. Do not miss out on this mid-week opportunity to re-calibrate our hearts and minds on the mercy of Jesus.

- March 10 – Lenten Hymn sing
- March 17 – Following in Patrick’s Footsteps
- March 24 – Prayers of Lament
- March 31 – Lenten Hymn sing

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- April 1: Maundy Thursday (at-home worship service)
 - April 2: Good Friday Service (Sanctuary at 7:00pm)
 - April 4: Easter Sunday service (Sanctuary at 9:30am)

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!

BLESS AND INVITE YOUR NEIGHBOR. As we continue our ‘Love One Another’ campaign, the outreach planning committee will be providing blessing bags for you to give to your neighbors, co-workers, and those around the community. This bag will allow you to be a blessing and invite your neighbor to join us for one of our Lent and Easter Services. Sign-up sheets are available after church or you can sign up by E-Mailing office@frcsh.org. Let us know how many bags you want. Items include: Bible, Hand Sanitizer, Gift Cards, and First Reformed Church invite card.



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SECRETARIES’ COVID OFFICE HOURS
9:00AM – NOON / Monday – Friday