

FIRST REFORMED CHURCH OF SOUTH HOLLAND

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Seventh Sunday after Pentecost July 11, 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.

Mission Sunday

WE APPROACH GOD

Organ Prelude

"Missionary Medley"
"The Great Commission"

Welcome & Greeting One Another

*Congregational Worship

"I Love to Tell the Story"
"Mystery of Faith"

Prayer of Confession

Pastor Jim Oord

Song of Assurance

"Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"

THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture Reading

Matthew 4:19 and Luke 9:23

Sermon

"Whose Disciple Are You?"
Milton Massie

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Congregational Prayer

Ray Banks

Offering

*Doxology

*Benediction

*Sending in Grace

"God of Justice"

*Organ Postlude

"Jesus Saves"

*Those who are able please stand.

Please join us downstairs after worship for fellowship and refreshments.

UP & COMING AT FIRST...

SUNDAY, JULY 11

USHERS: Deb Woltzen, Dennis Woltzen, Laurel DeGraff, and Jim DeGroot

GREETERS: Roger DeGraff and Lynn Hoeksema

PROJECTION: Tiffany Buchanan; **VIDEO:** Mike Decker; **SOUND:** Kevin Hesselink

ORGAN: Joanne Hoeksema

NURSERY: Darcy Daly and Mykah Lett

MUSIC TEAM: Daniel Day, and Peter & Julia Keep

WELCOME CENTER: Lynn Hoeksema

COOKIE LADIES: Rhonda DeBok, Mary Decker, and Gerri VanBaren

COFFEE SERVERS: Trina Taylor, Gwen Adams, and Faye Gowens

MONDAY, JULY 12

7:00AM: Trustees meet in the Heritage Room

7:00PM: Consistory meets in the Genesis Room

7:00PM: Music Team Rehearsal

TUESDAY, JULY 13

7:00PM: DNA Meeting in the Fellowship Hall

7:00PM: Investment Committee meets in the Heritage Room

7:00PM: Learning Team meets in the Genesis Room

SUNDAY, JULY 18

USHERS: Rodger Norris, Cindy Nylen, Mike Nylen, and Ray Ondrejka

GREETERS: Deb Oord and Russ Paarlberg

PROJECTION: Felicia Flowers

VIDEO: Eric Pradelski

SOUND: Aaron Taylor

ORGAN: Joanne Hoeksema; **PIANO:** Pastor Jim Oord

NURSERY: Gerri VanBaren and Isabella Veldboom

MUSIC TEAM: Peter Keep, Adeline Larsen, Austin Parks, Bella VanderWoude, and Robert Wooley

WELCOME CENTER: Russ Paarlberg

COOKIE LADIES: Gail Housman, Mary Paulton and Gerri VanBaren

COFFEE SERVERS: Griff & Mary Decker and Don & Noreen VanDeursen

CARE...

Dennis Woltzen is recovering from a diagnostic procedure due to swallowing difficulties.

Joanne Hoeksema has been able to return home from the hospital.

Larry DeYoung is recovering from hand surgery he had on July 9.

Judy Brouwers will begin radiation treatments July 19 near her eye 5 days a week for 4 weeks.

Roger Bovenkerk has been moved to the north building at Ingalls, Room N151, for rehab.

Chinedu Akoma had a stroke a few years ago and is still having problems with her recovery. Pray for her and the family during this difficult time.

Carol Housman is recovering from hip surgery in the therapy section at Park Place.

Craig Nelson continues his recovery from surgery from a torn rotator cuff.

Celeste DeBoer is home and requesting prayers for complete healing of the infection in her foot.

Kathy Spiekhout's back surgery has been cancelled for now. She is having physical therapy and her pain has lessened.

Barb Rietveld continues hospice care at home as her health is declining.

Mary Bosman met with the doctor this past week. If all is well the brace will be adjusted to allow the knee to flex in a small range of motion.

Lindsay Robertson, brother-in-law to Larry and Phyllis De Young, is in partial remission and has begun a new kind of chemo which hopefully will bring him to complete remission.

Erma Davis, sister to Leslie Buchanan and Aunt to Pastor Corey, continues her recovery at home with physical therapy.

Christopher Nelson, son of Craig and Jan Nelson, is starting radiation treatments soon as his non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma continues to worsen.

OUR EXTENDED FAMILY: **Doris Boomsma**, Village Woods #601, 2681 S. Rt. 394, Crete, IL 60417

SERMON NOTES...

Matthew 4:19; Luke 9:23

Milton Massie

CHURCH LIFE...

THANK YOU for all the cards, calls, visits, and for all the many acts of kindness I received during my recent surgery and recovery. – Dorothy Jacobsma

FROM CONSISTORY: Dr. Anthony Bolkema will be on sabbatical from July 5 - August 15. We are so blessed to have Anthony leading our worship and supporting our church for the past 11 years. His musical leadership and technological expertise were invaluable to us during our church's COVID-19 response. Anthony will be using his well-deserved sabbatical to reflect, study, and spend time with his family. Please continue to pray for Anthony and his family, that this would be a time of refreshment and joy.

NEW MEMBERS CLASS: "First Things First" is a class for those interested in joining our church or simply learning more about who we are. This class will be offered next **Sunday, July 18 (at the parsonage)**, following our worship service and run for 5 weeks. Sign up at the Welcome Center, or downstairs in the Fellowship Hall, or talk to Pastor Jim.

COVID-19 PROTOCOLS: Masks are now optional in the Sanctuary and required in the Chapel and Genesis Room. The Centers for Disease Prevention and Control along with the State of Illinois do recommend masks be worn by those who are not vaccinated. We thank the congregation for the continuing generosity, care, and understanding as we seek the good of others (1 Corinthians 10:24) and love for our neighbors (Galatians 5:14).

WELCOMING CHURCH INITIATIVE: The deacons are hosting a special night of training focused on how to be a welcoming church on **Wednesday, July 21**, at 6:30pm, in the Fellowship Hall. This evening will include presentations, discussion, and opportunities to sign up to be volunteer greeters. A light dinner will be provided.

OUR NURSERY HAS REOPENED for children up to four years of age. Darcy Daly, our Nursery Coordinator and one volunteer will be caring for our children. Through your help in this seemingly small, yet significant way, we all are fulfilling more faithfully our baptismal vows to nurture, support, uplift, and care for our children.

SPECIAL PROJECTS FUNDING CAMPAIGN 2021...



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 making steady progress, but we still to need to raise \$42,324.94 to add to the \$82,553.46 that has been raised thus far. Thank you in advance for your generous support!

AREA EVENTS...

THE SOUTH HOLLAND HERITAGE FESTIVAL COMMITTEE is looking for those interested in selling arts and/or crafts on **Monday, September 6** (Labor Day), at the Paarlberg Farm, 172nd Place and Paxton Avenue. This event attracts 500+ visitors. Space is limited, so call Lynn at 708-596-3386 for an application. The fee for a 10' x 10' space is \$20.00. Deadline for reserving a space is August 28. The festival not only includes arts and crafts, but also antiques and collectibles, musical entertainment, including the South Holland Municipal Band, food, fire department safety demonstrations for children, a magician, line dancing, tours of the Paarlberg historical house, a farmer's market, and more. The South Holland Historical Society appreciates support from the community.

OUR GIFTS...

Sunday, July 4, 2021

Basket Total: \$3,978.25

Online Total: \$3,431.00

Giving Total: \$7,409.25

(Needed Weekly: \$11,250.00)

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

- Online.
- Bring to church office.
- Mail.
- 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.

SECRETARIES' SUMMER OFFICE HOURS
9:00AM – NOON / Monday – Friday