

FIRST REFORMED CHURCH
OF SOUTH HOLLAND
FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
Sunday, September 18, 2022



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

"The Heavens Are Telling"
Meditation on "Veni Creator Spiritus"
"Praise and Worship"

Welcome & Greeting One Another

Pastor Jim Oord

*Congregational Worship

"All Creatures of Our God and King"
"You Are Good"

Prayer of Confession

Pastor Anthony Bolkema

Song of Assurance

"We Will Feast"

THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture

Psalm 19

Sermon

"How's Your Heart? Refreshed by the Word"

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Congregational Prayer

Ron Rietveld

Offertory

"This is My Father's World"

*Doxology

*Benediction

Pastor Jim Oord

*Sending in Grace

"In This Dry Land"

*Organ Postlude

"Psalm 19"

*Those who are able please stand.

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

CARE...

Ruth DeBoer has left the hospital and is now at Park Place in Saint John, Room 102, for rehab.

Marla Owens has been able to return home from the rehab center.

Grace Jacobsma has returned home from the hospital.

Kathy Oord has been diagnosed with breast cancer. She is currently undergoing tests to determine the extent of the cancer and scheduling treatments.

Mike Lafferty continues his recuperation after a fall. Pray for strengthening in his lower leg.

Rachel Wooley’s chemotherapy is working but chemo treatments continue.

Jan Nelson continues her recovery from knee surgery she had June 24 to repair torn ligaments on her left knee and a detached kneecap.

Chinedu Akoma continues to regain strength from lingering effects of her stroke.

Christopher Nelson had a PET scan for his lymphoma on July 11 which showed a small sign of improvement. He will continue in a monitoring stage.

Debra Pletzke, daughter of Ron and Diane Abernathy, will be preparing for heart surgery in November; she will have a heart ablation in December.

Diane Gruger, the mother of Megan DeYoung, has been diagnosed with lung cancer and continues with chemo treatments.

Lula Brown, Felicia Flowers’ mother, is recovering from surgery she had on Sept. 13.

OUR EXTENDED FAMILY: Dianne Snyder, 774 E. 164th St., South Holland, IL 60473

OUR GIFTS...

Sunday, September 11, 2022

Basket Total: \$3,455.00; Online Total: \$2,696.00
Giving Total: \$6,151.00; (Needed Weekly: \$11,250.00)

CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE with any changes to your address, e-mail, phone, etc. as a new directory is being worked on. If you were a former WOW subscriber (now Astound by RCN) and now have a new e-mail address due to that change, please provide your new information to the office as well!

UP & COMING AT FIRST...

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

GREETERS: Jim DeGroot and Rodger Norris; **WELCOME CENTER:** Gerri VanBaren
PROJECTION: Izzy Veldboom; **VIDEO:** Rhonda DeBok; **SOUND:** Rhonda Hesselink
ORGAN: Joanne Hoeksema; **PIANO:** Amy Veldboom
MUSIC TEAM: Joe Fransen, Nate Krygsheld, Nikki Nyhanna, Nick Paarlberg, Matthew Rietveld, and Anthony Bolkema
NURSERY: Darcy Daly and Rachel Wooley
COFFEE SERVERS: Don & Nyla DeGraff and Don & Gerri VanBaren
COOKIE LADIES: Rhonda DeBok, Kathy Oord, and Nyla DeGraff

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

9:30PM: Knitters and Quilters in the Fellowship Hall
7:00PM: Music Team Rehearsal

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

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

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

6:00PM: Fellowship Meal & “The Chosen” Bible Study
7:30PM: Choir Rehearsal

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

GREETERS: Steve VanderWoude and Keith Durkin
WELCOME CENTER: Alison VanderWoude
PROJECTION: Felicia Flowers
VIDEO: Keith Flowers
SOUND: Kevin Hesselink
ORGAN: Steve DeVries/Bonnie Feenstra; **PIANO:** Joanne Hoeksema
MUSIC TEAM: Peter Keep, Bill Nyhanna, Nick Paarlberg, Matthew Rietveld, Lisa Triemstra, and Abby Veldboom
NURSERY: Darcy Daly and Gerri VanBaren
COFFEE SERVERS: Wybren & Kathy Oord and Don & Noreen VanDeursen
COOKIE LADIES: Barb Grevengoed, Joanne Hoeksema, and Nancy DeVries

SERMON NOTES...

“How’s Your Heart? Refreshed by the Word”

Psalm 19

Pastor James Oord

ON DUTY TODAY...

First Emergency: Erick Carter

First Security: Rich Thornton

CHURCH LIFE...

DEAR CHURCH FAMILY: Thank you for your thoughts and prayers during a time of sorrow.
– Evelyn Schreiber

THANK YOU to those of you who gave to the Bible League International fundraiser. You gave a total of \$795.00. Continue to pray for the provision of God’s Word to a lost and needy world.
– Judy Gill & Becky Wright



NEW BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITY!

This fall, we invite you to come out every other Wednesday to watch *The Chosen* together. *The Chosen* is a carefully researched and well-made dramatization of the life of Jesus as told in the biblical gospels. *The Atlantic's* reviewer said, "Take it from a critic and a Christian with an aversion to Christian entertainment: the show is good." This study continues **Wednesday, September 21**, and will include a meal at 6:00pm and run every other Wednesday until we finish Season 1. The episode screening will be followed by discussion and a deeper dig into the Bible's stories of the life of Jesus. Sign-up at the Welcome Center.



Mark your calendars for these future exciting fellowship times!

WEDNESDAY FELLOWSHIP MEALS & STUDY NIGHTS

Sept. 21, Oct. 5 & 19, Nov. 2 & 16 & 30, and Dec. 14

6:00 – 7:30pm

Dec. 7: First Christmas Party (no study)

PLEASE JOIN US as the First Church Ladies’ Bible Study will begin its new season on **Tuesday, September 27**, at 10:00am in the Fellowship Hall. This year, we will be using the DVD study by Melissa Spoelstra entitled: “Isaiah: Striving Less and Trusting God More.” In this study we will learn about the “Never Changing Truths of God” in our ever-changing times. If you have never studied the book of Isaiah this is a wonderful opportunity! Our Bible Study sessions will be on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month at 10:00 am in the Fellowship Hall. Text or call Mary Koster at 708-380-4316 with any questions you may have.

THE CHANCEL CHOIR will continue a modified choir season (singing one Sunday per month) with next rehearsal on Wednesday, September 21. A letter with complete information was placed in your mail slot several weeks ago. Contact Anthony with any questions.

BINGO FELLOWSHIP NIGHT! Join us on **Saturday, October 1**, from 6:30-8:00pm, for a night of BINGO fun for all ages! Our last BINGO night was full of Boisterous, Inane, & Nonsensical Goings-On, so you don't want to miss it! The event is free, but we ask each participating household to bring a prize valued at no more than \$10 (a gift card, a voucher for a free driveway shovel, a copy of your favorite DVD, a fresh hot pizza, etc. Have fun and be creative!). Sign up at the Welcome Center!

THE SOUTH HOLLAND MASTER CHORALE is coming to First Church on **Sunday, October 2**, for a concert at 4:00pm in the sanctuary. Join us for an enjoyable afternoon of music.

TRUNK N' TREAT is **Monday, October 31**, from 5:00 - 7:00pm (car trunks needed by 4:45pm). We will again give the children of South Holland and surrounding areas a safe and fun place to Trick N' Treat. We need lots of car trunks and lots of candy to make this fun event possible. There is a candy donation table in the Fellowship Hall, or you can leave your candy at the Welcome Center in the narthex. We also need you to volunteer your decorated car trunk, please sign-up at the Welcome Center in the narthex or in the Fellowship Hall.

AREA ANNOUNCEMENTS...

ELIM CHRISTIAN SERVICES PRESENTS: Dutch Fest 2022, the 26th Annual Dutch Festival is **Saturday, September 24!** It will be held on the Crestwood campus – 13020 S. Central Avenue. Dutch Fest is fun for all ages. Enjoy the Pannekoek (pancake) Breakfast, available 7:30 to 10:00am, as well as the Children's Area, Live Entertainment, Food Court, Dutch Village Shops, and more from 8:00am to 4:00pm. Free admission, parking, and shuttle. All proceeds bless the students and adults that Elim serves. For more information, visit <https://www.elimcs.org/get-involved/events>.

JOIN PROVIDENCE LIFE SERVICES for an extraordinary evening! Our 60th Annual Torchlight Celebration of Ministry will be held on **Friday, November 4**, at Chicago's Historic Post Office Building! Contact Joan at torchlight@provlife.com or 708-342-8108 for more information! Learn more at Torchlight2022.com.



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STAFF...

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| Anthony Bolkema <i>Pastor of Worship & Ministry</i> | Jane Ackerman <i>Church Accountant</i> |
| Rev. Dr. Rich Grevengood <i>Pastor of Care & Visitation</i> | Darcy Daly <i>Nursery Coordinator</i> |
| Nyla DeGraff <i>Church Administrator</i> | Toni Smith <i>Director of Family Life Christian Pre-School & Day Care</i> |

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