

FIRST REFORMED CHURCH
OF SOUTH HOLLAND
SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
World Communion Sunday, October 2, 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

Welcome & Greeting One Another

Pastor Jim Oord

*Congregational Worship

"Rejoice, the Lord is King"
"Forever"

Prayer of Confession

Anthony Bolkema

Song of Assurance

"This is Our God"

THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture

Luke 4:31-37

Sermon

"To Proclaim Good News: Authority to End Oppression"

WE RESPOND TO GOD

The Sacrament of Adult Baptism

Ebony Cunningham

Reception of New Members

Rick & Lisa Triemstra

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Congregational Prayer

Pastor Jim Oord

Offertory

*Doxology

*Benediction

Pastor Jim Oord

*Sending in Grace

"Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing"

*Organ Postlude

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*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.

Lenore VanderMeer (wife of Rev. Al VanderMeer) is recovering from a stroke and struggles with rheumatoid arthritis.

Doris Boomsma has been released from the hospital.

Kathy Oord has been diagnosed with stage 3 breast cancer. She has started chemo treatments which will be followed by future surgery.

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

Rachel Wooley's chemotherapy is working, and her chemo treatments continue.

Jan Nelson continues her recovery from knee surgery she had June 24.

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.

Dianne Gruger, the mother of Megan DeYoung, completed her radiation treatments but will continue with her chemo treatments for lung cancer.

Lula Brown, Felicia Flowers' mother, continues her recovery at home from surgery.

OUR EXTENDED FAMILY: Mary Thompson, 16418 S. Dobson Ave., South Holland, IL 60473

OUR GIFTS...

Sunday, September 25, 2022

Basket Total: \$3,968.00; Online Total: \$1,975.00

Giving Total: \$5,943.00 (Needed Weekly: \$11,500.00)

CHURCH FINANCIAL REPORTS for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, are available in a single marked mail slot located on the north end of our mail slots. If you have any questions please contact Deacon Chairman, Mike Decker.

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...

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2

GREETERS: Robert Wooley and Trina Taylor

WELCOME CENTER: Deb Woltzen

PROJECTION: Gwen Adams; **VIDEO:** Eric Pradelski; **SOUND:** Rhonda Hesselink

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

MUSIC TEAM: Kim Bolkema, Nolan Bolkema, Joe Fransen, Dacia Hill, Gail Housman, Nate Housman, and Lisa Triemstra

NURSERY: Darcy Daly and Abby Veldboom

COFFEE SERVERS: Pastor Rich & Barb Grevengeod and Clair & Lynn Hoeksema

COOKIE LADIES: Laurel DeGraff, Sherry Norris, and Nikki Nyhanna

ON DUTY TODAY...

First Emergency: Erick Carter

First Security: Rich Thornton

MONDAY, OCTOBER 3

9:30AM: Knitters & Quilters meet in the Fellowship Hall

6:00PM: F-PEC meets in the Fellowship Hall

7:00PM: Music Team meets

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5

6:00PM: Wednesday Fellowship Meal & "Chosen" Bible Study

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9

GREETERS: Don DeGraff and Don VanBaren

WELCOME CENTER: Nyla DeGraff

PROJECTION: Tiffany Buchanan

VIDEO: Mike Decker

SOUND: Rhonda Hesselink

ORGAN: Joanne Hoeksema

PIANO: Pastor Jim Oord

MUSIC TEAM: Peter Keep, Bill Nyhanna, Nick Paarlberg and Lisa Triemstra

NURSERY: Darcy Daly and Julia Keep

COFFEE SERVERS: Don & Noreen VanDeursen and Russ & Heidi Paarlberg

COOKIE LADIES: Grace Jacobsma, Raylene Oord, and Chandra Ondrejka

SERMON NOTES...

“To Proclaim Good News: Authority to End Oppression”

Luke 4:31-37

Pastor James Oord

CHURCH LIFE...



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, October 5**, 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 Centers. Save future dates: Oct. 19, Nov. 2, 16, & 30, Dec. 14 from 6:00 – 7:30pm. (Dec. 7: First Christmas Party no study).

THANK YOU to my Church Family for your thoughts, prayers and cards during my hospital stay. It was all so appreciated; I am so blessed! - Grace Jacobsma

PLEASE JOIN US as the First Church Ladies' Bible Study has started its new season. This year, we will be using the DVD study by Melissa Spoelstra entitled: "Isaiah: Striving Less and Trusting God More." 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.

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.

WILL YOU PARTICIPATE IN OUR 2022 THANKSGIVING STUFFING CHALLENGE? Beginning **October 9**, we will be collecting boxes of stuffing. Our goal as a church is to collect 1000 boxes! These boxes will be donated to Open Access who will use them as a part of the 1000 Thanksgiving meals they will give away to families this fall. Please call the church office with any questions. Your donations can be dropped off at our Welcome Center.

THE SOUTH HOLLAND MASTER CHORALE will perform today at 4:00pm in the Sanctuary. Join us!



DO YOU HAVE ANY WHEELCHAIRS NOT IN USE? Through partnership with Living with Hope (www.livingwithhope.net), First Reformed Church will be collecting manual wheelchairs that will be refurbished and hand-delivered to people with mobility needs in Kenya, Ethiopia, South Sudan, and Tanzania. From **September 25-October 23**, wheelchairs can be dropped off at First Reformed Church on Sunday through Thursday, from 9am-noon or by appointment (call 708-333-0622 or email office@frcsh.org). There is also a huge need for pediatric wheelchairs, which cost \$275 each, as well as funds to ship the collected wheelchairs to where they're needed. Financial donations for pediatric wheelchairs and for shipping can be dropped off at First Reformed Church or online at frcsh.org/online giving (choose "Wheelchairs for Living with Hope" from the drop-down menu).

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.

THE 26TH ELIM DUTCH FESTIVAL was a wonderful success with the final total of \$133,000.00 raised. Our church was well represented from the donation of delicious baked goods, traffic control, and working in the Gourmet Store. Thank you to all who gave of your time and sharing your God given talents. Please continue to support the ministry of Elim. Again, thank you!! - Elim Key Ladies, Lynn Hoeksema, Judy Gill, and Tricia Paarlberg.

WORSHIPPING TOGETHER WITH ROSELAND CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES: We are so excited to welcome Roseland Christian Ministries to worship with us on **Sunday, October 16**. As an act of Christian hospitality, our elders have decided to move our Sunday morning worship time. For October 16, we will begin Sunday School at **9:30am**, share fellowship downstairs at **10:15am**, and then hold our worship service at **10:45am**. This is to accommodate our beloved guests from Roseland. We look forward to this exciting time of worship and unity!



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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