of SOUTH HOLLAND SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



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.

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST July 16, 2023

WE APPROACH GOD

Organ Prelude "How Firm a Foundation"

"All to Jesus, I Surrender"

"All the Way My Savior Leads Me"

Welcome & Greeting Pastor Corey Buchanan

*Congregational Singing "God of Creation"

"You Are My Strength"

"Beautiful Savior"

Prayer of Confession Pastor Jim Oord

Song of Assurance "It Is Well With My Soul"

THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture Psalm 22

Sermon "How's Your Heart? Forsaken...Rescued...Sent"

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Congregational Prayer Pastor Corey Buchanan

Offertory "O For a Closer Walk with God"

*Doxology

*Benediction Pastor Jim Oord

*Sending in Grace "Till We Meet Again"

*Postlude "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name"

*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...

Lois Van Vuren's heart surgery has been cancelled as further testing is needed.

Mike Hoeksema has been released from the hospital and is healing.

Clifton Rhodes has started 2 months of daily radiation treatments for prostate cancer.

Carol Barnes has been moved to Arden Courts in South Holland, Room #16. Pray for a smooth transition.

Bev Van Dommelen continues her recovery from a broken leg.

Alice Kats has been transitioned to hospice care in her home.

Kathy Oord has completed her radiation treatments and is now starting pill treatment and therapy.

Rachel Wooley's tumors in the liver are now being treated with immunotherapy and chemotherapy.

Anne Koval's son-in-law, **Andy Applebee**, is home recovering from his injuries and has started therapy.

Pray for Marsha Pilipow as she tends to the health of her aging mother, Patricia, whose medical condition has gotten worse.

Please continue to pray for **Sean Costello's** recovery from spinal surgery and for Mike and Pam as they continue to care for Sean and bring him to doctor visits and rehab sessions.

OUR EXTENDED FAMILY: Ralph & Margene Paarlberg, Bickford Senior Living #128, 100 Jones Drive, Bourbonnais, IL 60914

OUR GIFTS...

Sunday, July 9

Basket Total: \$4,613.35 Online Total: \$3,327.96

In Memory of Randy Gretz: \$350.00

Giving Total: \$8,291.31 (Needed Weekly: \$11,500.00)

UP & COMING AT FIRST...

SUNDAY, JULY 16

GREETERS: Cindy Nylen and Jim DeGroot

WELCOME CENTER: Raylene Oord

WORSHIP TEAM: Bill Nyhanna, Nick Paarlberg, Grant Sikkema, Abby Veldboom, and

Robert Wooley

PROJECTION: Lucas Bolkema VIDEO: Lucas VanderWoude SOUND: Rhonda Hesselink ORGAN: Joanne Hoeksema PIANO: Amy Veldboom

NURSERY: Darcy Daly and Izzy Veldboom

COFFEE SERVERS: Don & Noreen VanDeursen and Russ & Heidi Paarlberg **COOKIE VOLUNTEERS:** Gail Housman, Mary Paulton, and Ellen Nelson

MONDAY, JULY 17

7:00PM: Music Team Rehearsal

WEDNESDAY, JULY 19

7:00PM: Family Life Day Care Board Meeting meets in the Heritage Room

SUNDAY, JULY 23

GREETERS: Don and Gerri VanBaren **WELCOME CENTER:** Trina Taylor

WORSHIP TEAM: Kim Bolkema, Nolan Bolkema, Daniel Day, and Bella

VanderWoude

PROJECTION: Felicia Flowers

VIDEO: Keith Flowers

SOUND: Rhonda Hesselink **ORGAN:** Bonnie Feenstra **PIANO:** Jeremiah Green

NURSERY: Darcy Daly and Mary Decker

COFFEE SERVERS: Pastor Rich & Barb Grevengoed and Griff & Mary Decker **COOKIE VOLUNTEERS:** Nyla DeGraff, Joanne Hoeksema, and Gerri VanBaren

CHURCH LIFE...

OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY is extended to the family and friends of Karen Deinema who passed away on Saturday, July 8.

FOR THE SUMMER MONTHS, Pastor Jim can be found in the following places from 1:00-3:00pm if you want to stop by to share a cup of coffee/tea and have a conversation or just hang out. Monday, Starbucks (South Holland location); Tuesday, Pastor Rich's back deck (15958 Parkside Avenue); Wednesday, the Church Office; and Thursday, Soho Sweets. Of course, you can remain free to text, email, or call if there's another time you'd like to meet.

JOIN US FOR A GARY RAILCATS BASEBALL GAME on Wednesday, August 23, at 6:45pm. Tickets are \$13/person, which includes a \$5 voucher for concessions or merchandise. Sign up in the Fellowship Hall if you are able to attend!

LEAN IN 2023: As discussed at the congregational meeting (if you weren't there, talk to a pastor or elder), we are asking everyone to re-sign up for various volunteer positions, under the headings of "Welcome," "Worship," "Dig In," and "Reach Out." We need the help of every member of the congregation to "lean in" and commit to the continuing ministry and mission of First Reformed Church as we grow together in the grace of Christ. Sign-ups are located in the Fellowship Hall. Re-commit to the ministries you're already involved in and/or get involved in something new! Let's lean in and live out!

SAVE THE DATE: Mark your calendars to join us on **9/9** from 5:00-8:00pm for a special 175th anniversary celebration. More details will be coming soon!

CHICAGOLAND PRISON OUTREACH and THE EXODUS PROJECTS are coming together for an Inaugural Golf Tournament on Wednesday, August 23, with a 9:00am shotgun start at Ravisloe Country Club in Homewood. Join us for a morning of golf, stay for a delicious buffet and learn a little more about CPO and The Exodus Projects! Reserve your spot by Monday, August 7. Visit www.theexodusprojects.org/golf to register online. See Nikki Nyhanna for more information.

BE SURE TO EMPTY your mail slot located downstairs at the base of the stairs.

REMINDERS...

VISIT THE WELCOME CENTER in the narthex to sign cards for our shut-ins and hospitalized.

PLEASE KEEP THE PARKING AREA that is lined in the front and on the north side of the church - which is closest to the elevator - available for those who have difficulty walking. Thank you!

PLEASE CONTACT the church office if you know of a friend or family member who has been admitted to the hospital.

AREA ANNOUNCEMENTS...

THE VILLAGE OF SOUTH HOLLAND will be holding CRUISE NIGHT on Saturday, July 29, from 4:00-8:00pm on South Park Ave & 161st Street. Bring the family out and take a walk down South Park Avenue to view all kinds of vehicles—classic, antique, custom, and exotic. The first 100 cars on display will receive a complimentary dash plaque. In addition, Cruise Night features live music, food vendors, yard games, and inflatables. Attendees can also enter a drawing for gas card giveaways! This event is free to all vehicle owners and spectators (food is available for purchase).

JOIN US FOR THE SOUTH HOLLAND FUN RUN 5K on Saturday, September 16, at 7:00am in Veterans Memorial Park, 500 East 160th Place. This run/walk includes new and fun surprises along the course and in the park before and after the race. Participants are encouraged to wear costumes or accessories. This year's event raises money for Tabitha House for Women, located in South Holland. Participants receive a race bag filled with a race shirt and many trinkets and goodies. Everyone who finishes will receive a medal, and prizes will be awarded to the top finishers. For more information and to register go to southholland.org. Register by July 23 to guarantee you receive your desired T-shirt size and to take advantage of the early bird-discount!

ON DUTY FOR JULY...

First Emergency: Trina Taylor
First Security: Barry Voss

SERMON NOTES...

Pastor James Oord
Psalm 22
"How's Your Heart? Forsaken...Rescued...Sent"

PRAYER ROOM: Need a word of encouragement or someone to pray with? Come to the prayer room after church until 11am. It is located outside the double doors west of the Chapel. A team of dedicated volunteers would welcome the opportunity to pray with you this morning.



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SECRETARIES' OFFICE HOURS

9:00AM - NOON / Monday - Friday

STAFF...

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Rev. Dr. Rich Grevengoed
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