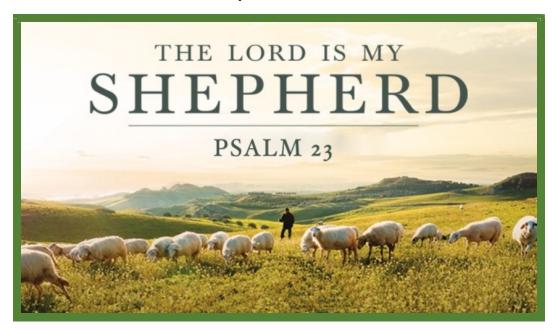
FIRST REFORMED CHURCH

of SOUTH HOLLAND EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST July 23, 2023



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 "My Shepherd Will Supply My Need"

"Shepherd of Love"

"The King of Love My Shepherd Is"

Welcome & Greeting Pastor Jim Oord

*Congregational Singing "10,000 Reasons"

"Come, Thou Fount (alternate lyrics)"

Prayer of Confession "Shepherd Me, O God"

Song of Assurance "The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want"

THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture Psalm 23

Sermon "How's Your Heart? Loved by the Shepherd"

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Congregational Prayer Steve VanderWoude

Offertory "O for A Closer Walk with God"

*Doxology

*Benediction Pastor Jim Oord

*Sending in Grace "Till We Meet Again"

*Postlude "Surely Goodness and Mercy"

*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.

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's cancer is now being treated through pill treatments 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.

Bonnie Brink (sister-in-law to Bob Brink from the Tibstra House) is finishing cancer treatments.

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: Carol Housman, Cedarhurst of Dyer, #10, 1763 Calumet Ave., Dyer, IN 46311

OUR GIFTS...

Sunday, July 16

Basket Total: \$10,591.00 Online Total: \$2,467.09

Giving Total: \$13,058.09; (Needed Weekly: \$11,500.00)

UP & COMING AT FIRST...

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

MONDAY, JULY 24

7:00PM: Music Team Rehearsal

THURSDAY, JULY 27

4:00-6:00PM: Clothing Closet in the Activity Center

SUNDAY, JULY 30

GREETERS: Cindy Nylen and Dennis Woltzen

WELCOME CENTER: Deb Woltzen

WORSHIP TEAM: Nolan Bolkema, Dacia Hill, Nick Paarlberg, and Lisa Triemstra

PROJECTION: Izzy Veldboom

VIDEO: Keith Flowers
SOUND: Aaron Wooley
ORGAN: Joanne Hoeksema
PIANO: Pastor Jim Oord

NURSERY: Darcy Daly and Kim Bolkema

COFFEE SERVERS: Don & Noreen VanDeursen and Don & Gerri VanBaren **COOKIE VOLUNTEERS:** Diana Abernathy, Nancy DeVries, and Trina Taylor

CHURCH LIFE...

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! Money for tickets can be given to the church office. Make checks payable to First Reformed Church.

LEAN IN 2023: 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!

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.

OUR NURSERY is for children up to four years of age. Darcy Daly, our Nursery Coordinator and one volunteer care 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. If You want to volunteer to help with this important ministry, sign up at the "Lean In" table in the Fellowship Hall.

REMINDERS...

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!

COOKIE COMMITTEE MEMBERS, please check your mailboxes for the Cookie Schedule for the next 4 months. Thank you for being such an integral part of our hospitality and fellowship. You are loved and appreciated!

THE FOOD PANTRY FOR CHICAGOLAND PRISON OUTREACH is running low. We would like any donations of nonperishable food to be dropped off in the Fellowship Hall. You may see Noreen (708-752-6707) for a list of the most needed items. Thank You!

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

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 23
"How's Your Heart? Loved by the Shepherd"

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

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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.