

FIRST REFORMED CHURCH
of SOUTH HOLLAND
NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
July 30, 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

"Marche Religieuse"

"All Nature Sings"

"Lift Up Your Head to the Coming King"

Welcome & Greeting

Pastor Jim Oord

*Congregational Singing

"Praise the Lord, O Heavens, Adore Him"

"This Is My Father's World"

Prayer of Confession

"Give Us Clean Hands"

Song of Assurance

"I Stand Amazed"

THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture

Psalm 24

Sermon

"How's Your Heart? Welcoming the King"

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Congregational Prayer

Pastor Jim Oord

Offertory

"Nearer, Still Nearer"

*Doxology

*Benediction

Pastor Jim Oord

*Sending in Grace

"Till We Meet Again"

*Postlude

"Praise the Lord of All Creation"

*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...

Don VanDeursen fell and damaged his knee and cracked a rib. He is on pain medication and is in a knee brace. Pray for a speedy recovery.

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.

Craig Nelson will be having rotator cuff surgery Tuesday, August 1, at St. Francis Hospital in Dyer.

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.

Tommie Doss, mother of Ruth Maxie, is a patient at St. Margaret Hospital in Dyer.

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

Christopher Nelson, son of Craig and Jan, will be starting another six weeks of chemo due to lymphoma.

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: Barb DeWolf, Village Woods #514, 2681 S. Rt. 394, Crete, IL 60417

OUR GIFTS...

Sunday, July 23

Basket Total: \$13,382.00

Online Total: \$985.00; In Memory of Randy Gretz: \$50.00

Giving Total: \$14,417.00; (Needed Weekly: \$11,500.00)

UP & COMING AT FIRST...

SUNDAY, JULY 30

GREETERS: Cindy Nysten 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: Cindy Nysten and Don & Gerri VanBaren
COOKIE VOLUNTEERS: Diana Abernathy, Nancy DeVries, and Trina Taylor

MONDAY, JULY 31

7:00PM: Music Team Rehearsal

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2

7:30AM: ACT meets in the Heritage Room

FRIDAY, SATURDAY AUGUST 4 - 7

Church Camping Trip (returning on Sunday)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 6

GREETERS: Don DeGraff and Trina Taylor; **WELCOME CENTER:** Nyla DeGraff
WORSHIP TEAM: Daniel Day, Adeline Larsen, Bella VanderWoude, and Abby Veldboom
PROJECTION: Gwen Adams
VIDEO: Eric Pradelski
SOUND: Aaron Wooley
ORGAN: Joanne Hoeksema
PIANO: Amy Veldboom
NURSERY: Darcy Daly and Julia Keep
COFFEE SERVERS: Jim & Bonnie DeGroot and Russ & Heidi Paarlberg
COOKIE VOLUNTEERS: Laurel DeGraff, Sherry Norris, and Nikki Nyhanna

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). 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.

UNITY SERVICES: Our Elders are excited to announce two special "Unity Services." On August 27, our entire congregation will travel to worship at Grace Church in Lansing (2740 Indiana Avenue, Lansing, IL). Rides will be available if needed. On September 10, the entire congregation of Grace Church will come to worship with us. More details to follow as we eagerly anticipate these opportunities to share unity and fellowship in Christ.

THE 175TH ANNIVERSARY PATCHWORK QUILT IS FINISHED! After six months of planning and participation, the commemorative quilt is here. 196 patches make up the 5' by 7' quilt that bears some 100 signed squares from church members and friends. A special word of thanks to Becky Wright, Judy Gill, Terry Dieck and Barb Magerl for some 100 hours of their work in completing this special project. Let the celebration continue for our church's time in history and beyond!

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!

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.

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.

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.

ON DUTY FOR JULY...

First Emergency: Trina Taylor

First Security: Barry Voss

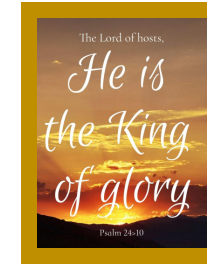
SERMON NOTES...

Pastor James Oord

Psalm 24

“How’s Your Heart? Welcoming the King”

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...

Rev. James Oord
Senior Pastor

Pastor Corey Buchanan
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Pastor of Worship & Ministry

Rev. Dr. Rich Grevengoed
Pastor of Care & Visitation

Nyla DeGraff
Church Administrator

Gerri VanBaren
Administrative Assistant

Steve Alexander
Church Custodian

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Nursery Coordinator

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*Director of Family Life
Christian Pre-School & Day Care*

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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.