

FIRST REFORMED CHURCH
of SOUTH HOLLAND
SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
Sunday, September 17



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

"Thanks Be to Thee/Blest Be the Tie That Binds"
"Psalm 68"
"Here I Am to Worship"

Greeting & Call to Worship

Pastor Corey Buchanan

*Congregational Singing

"Come, Christians, Join to Sing"
"Come & Let Us Sing"
"All the Poor & Powerless"

Prayer of Confession

Pastor Jim Oord

Song of Assurance

"Holy, Holy"

THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture

Hebrews 13:1-3

Sermon

"Hospitality How To's: Welcoming"

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Congregational Prayer

Pastor Corey Buchanan

Offertory

"In Christ There Is No East or West"

*Doxology

*Benediction

Pastor Jim Oord

*Sending in Grace

"The Blessing"

*Postlude

*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...

Rachel Wooley has been able to return home from the hospital.

Harriet DeYoung is now in rehab at Elevate Rehab, #107, in South Holland.

Shirley Van Deursen is at Park Place Rehabilitation in St. John for therapy.

Robert Wooley is recovering at home from foot surgery.

Monty Riddering is recovering at home from hip replacement surgery.

Lois Van Vuren has been diagnosed with lymphoma.

Rachel Wooley, Kathy Oord, and Christopher Nelson, continue with their treatments for cancer.

Craig Nelson is recovering from rotator cuff surgery.

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

Daniel Pletzke, son-in-law of Ron and Diana Abernathy, is recovering from heart surgery.

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: Dorothy Raveslout, 15862 South Park Ave., South Holland, IL 60473

OUR GIFTS...

Sunday, September 10

Basket Total: \$11,441.00; Online Total: \$3,775.77
Giving Total: \$15,216.77; (Needed Weekly: \$11,500.00)

ON DUTY FOR SEPTEMBER...

First Emergency: Alison VanderWoude
First Security: Colin Cutler

UP & COMING AT FIRST...

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

GREETERS: Cindy Nylen and Jim DeGroot
WELCOME CENTER: Deb Woltzen
WORSHIP TEAM: Kim Bolkema, Nolan Bolkema, Daniel Day, Peter & Julia Keep
PROJECTION: Liam VanderWoude
VIDEO: Rhonda DeBok
SOUND: Rhonda Hesselink
ORGAN: Joanne Hoeksema; PIANO: Amy Veldboom
NURSERY: Darcy Daly and Izzy Veldboom
COFFEE SERVERS: Don & Noreen VanDeursen and Griff & Mary Decker
COOKIE VOLUNTEERS: Nyla DeGraff, Ellen Nelson, and Gerri VanBaren

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

7:00PM: Music Team Rehearsal

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

11:00AM: South Holland Ministerial Association Meeting & Luncheon in the GR
6:00PM: First Fellowship Meal & The Chosen, Season 2, Episode 2

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

GREETERS: Steve VanderWoude & Lucas VanderWoude
WELCOME CENTER: Gerri VanBaren
WORSHIP TEAM: Nolan Bolkema, Nikki Nyhanna, Nick Paarlberg, Grant Sikkema, and Rachel Wooley
PROJECTION: Lucas Bolkema
VIDEO: Lucas VanderWoude
SOUND: Aaron Wooley
ORGAN: Joanne Hoeksema; PIANO: Jeremiah Green
NURSERY: Darcy Daly and Amber Fransen
COFFEE SERVERS: Pastor Rich & Barb Grevengoed and Clair & Lynn Hoeksema
COOKIE VOLUNTEERS: Nancy DeVries, Barb Grevengoed, and Joanne Hoeksema
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CHURCH LIFE...



THE CHOSEN SEASON 2 OPPORTUNITY!

This fall, we invite you to once again come out every other Wednesday to watch *The Chosen, Season 2* together. *The Chosen* is a carefully researched and well-made dramatization of the life of Jesus as told in the biblical gospels. If you didn't watch season 1 with us last year, you're still welcome to come! You can catch

up on Season 1 for free online (or ask the church office about DVDs you can borrow). This study continues this **Wednesday, September 20**, and will include a meal at 6:00pm and run every other Wednesday until we finish Season 2. The episode screening will be followed by discussion and a deeper dig into the Bible's stories of the life of Jesus. Please sign up at the Welcome Centers.

Mark your calendars for these future exciting fellowship times!

WEDNESDAY FELLOWSHIP MEALS & STUDY NIGHTS

September 20, October 4 & 18, November 1, 15, & 29 and December 13

6:00 – 7:30pm

December 6: First Christmas Party (no study)

THE FIRST CHURCH LADIES' BIBLE STUDY will be having a Brunch Kickoff for the new season of study on **Tuesday, September 26**, at 10:00am in the Fellowship Hall. Come for a delicious time of food and stay for a time of enrichment as we begin our journey into studying the book of Revelation. We will be viewing the first video of the series, "Tempted to Give Up on God?" Please check your mailbox for your study guide and a folder with the schedule. See you there!

YARNAPALOOZA! The Piecemakers (AKA "Knitters and Quilters") have been cleaning out some of their supplies and have some extra yarn. This is available for free in the Fellowship Hall for anyone who will use it. Happy knitting (or crocheting)!

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

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: Starting today, **Sunday, September 17**, we will begin another year of Sunday School for all ages at 11:10am.

- K-5th grade: meet in the Genesis Room at 11:10am, followed by K-2nd class in the Library, 3rd-5th in the Loft.
- 6th-12th grade meet in the chapel at 11:10am.
- Tibstra House meet in the Heritage Room immediately following the service.

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.

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

AREA EVENTS...

SAVE THE DATE: **Saturday, September 23**, is the Elim Dutch Festival. Please think of ways in which you can be part of this wonderful ministry serving children and adults with disabilities. We will need volunteers that day, baked or candy goodies, craft items, or any type of donation is appreciated. If you have any questions, please call Judy Gill, Lynn Hoeksema, or Tricia Paarlberg.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL & MUSIC IN THE PARK on **Saturday, September 23** from 5:00-7:00pm at Veterans Memorial Park (500 E 160th Place, South Holland). The South Holland Ministerial Association is hosting an evening of worship music in the park, performed by multiple South Holland churches, and free ice cream from SoHo Sweets. Stop by any time between 5-7pm.

THE BIBLE LEAGUE VOLUNTEER AMBASSADORS of First Reformed Church have placed a special fundraising letter in your church mailbox. Together we are equipping Christians and churches all over the globe to engage people in the Word of God. As a result, God's Kingdom is growing! Look for this letter and as you read it, please sincerely pray for God's Word to change lives. We appreciate any contribution you can give to purchase Bibles. Kindly respond on or before **Sunday, September 24**. Any questions, please contact Becky Wright or Judy Gill.

SERMON NOTES...

“Hospitality How-To’s: Welcoming”

Hebrews 13:1-3

Rev. James Oord

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

:00AM – NOON / Monday – Friday

STAFF...

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Pastor of Worship & Ministry

Rev. Dr. Rich Grevengoed
Pastor of Care & Visitation

Nyla DeGraff
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Find us in the app store by searching for
"First Reformed Church South Holland" or by visiting get.theapp.co/1779.



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.