

**FIRST REFORMED CHURCH**  
of SOUTH HOLLAND  
TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
Sunday, October 22, 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

*"Praise Him in the Sanctuary"*  
*"O Day of Rest and Gladness"*  
*"For the Beauty of the Earth"*  
*"Praise the Lord"*

Welcome & Call to Worship

Pastor Jim Oord

\*Congregational Singing

*"Give to Our God Immortal Praise"*  
*"10,000 Reasons"*

Prayer of Confession

Pastor Anthony Bolkema

Song of Assurance

*"Stronger"*

**THE WORD OF GOD**

Scripture

Luke 6:1-11

Sermon

"To Proclaim Good News: How to Sabbath"

**WE RESPOND TO GOD**

Congregational Prayer

Russ Paarlberg

Offertory

*"God of Grace and God of Glory"*

\*Doxology

\*Benediction

Pastor Jim Oord

\*Sending in Grace

*"The Blessing"*

\*Postlude

*"Sanctuary"*

\*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...

**Arlene Anker** is recovering from a procedure she had due to swelling in her legs.

**Shirley Van Deursen** has been released from the hospital and is back at Park Place, Room #102 for rehab.

**Dorothy Jacobsma** will be having knee replacement surgery on Wednesday, October 25.

**Robert Wooley** is recovering at home from foot surgery.

**Lois Van Vuren** has been diagnosed with lymphoma.

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

**Craig Nelson** is recovering from rotator cuff surgery. He is experiencing kidney stones now and is going through treatment.

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

**Daniel Pletzke**, son-in-law of Ron & Diana Abernathy, is recovering from heart surgery. Ron and Diane’s daughter **Debra** is recovering from a heart procedure.

Please pray for the **Costello family**: for **Sean**, that he would continue to make progress in his physical therapy; for **Mike**, who is at the University of Chicago recovering from heart surgery he had on October 17, and for **Pam**, who is trusting God to uphold, strengthen, and provide for her and the family during this time.

**OUR EXTENDED FAMILY: Anne Koval**, 713 E. 156<sup>th</sup> Place, South Holland, IL 60473

OUR GIFTS...

Sunday, October 15

Basket Total: \$10,340.00; Online Total: \$1,335.00  
Giving Total: \$11,675.00; (Needed Weekly: \$11,500.00)

ON DUTY FOR OCTOBER...

First Emergency: Trina Taylor  
First Security: Barry Voss

UP & COMING AT FIRST...

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22

**GREETERS:** Steve & Lucas VanderWoude; **WELCOME CENTER:** Alison VanderWoude  
**WORSHIP TEAM:** Lucas Bolkema, Nolan Bolkema, Joe Fransen, Nick Paarlberg, Lisa Triemstra, and Robert Wooley  
**PROJECTION:** Liam VanderWoude; **VIDEO:** Mike Decker; **SOUND:** Aaron Wooley  
**ORGAN:** Joanne Hoeksema; **PIANO:** Jeremiah Green  
**NURSERY:** Darcy Daly and Abby Veldboom  
**COFFEE SERVERS:** Rodger & Sherry Norris, Cindy Nylen, and Faye Gowens  
**COOKIE VOLUNTEERS:** Felicia Flowers, Amber Fransen, and Grace Jacobsma  
**3:00-4:30PM:** OASIS Fall Fest in the backyard of church

MONDAY, OCTOBER 23

**9:30AM:** Piece makers meet in the Fellowship Hall  
**7:00PM:** Music Team Rehearsal

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24

**10:00AM:** Women’s Bible Study meets in the Fellowship Hall

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25

**10:00AM:** Investment Team meets in the Heritage Room

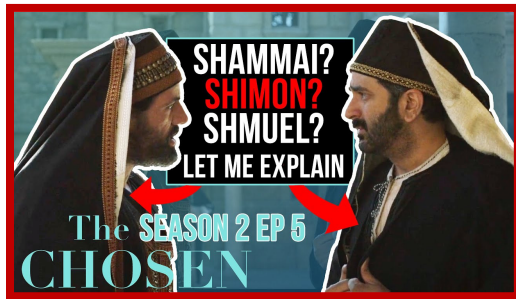
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26

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

REFORMATION SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29

**GREETERS:** Gerri VanBaren & Trina Taylor; **WELCOME CENTER:** Deb Woltzen  
**WORSHIP TEAM:** Bill Nyhanna, Nick Paarlberg, Matthew Rietveld, and Abby Veldboom  
**PROJECTION:** Lucas Bolkema; **VIDEO:** Lucas VanderWoude  
**SOUND:** Rhonda Hesselink  
**ORGAN:** Steve DeVries; **PIANO:** Pastor Jim Oord  
**NURSERY:** Darcy Daly and Izzy Veldboom  
**COFFEE SERVERS:** Don & Noreen VanDeursen and Russ & Heidi Paarlberg

## 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. This study continues **Wednesday, November 1**, 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. Save future dates: November 1, 15, and 29 and December 13 (Dec. 6 is our First Christmas Party - no study).

**SUNDAY SCHOOL does not meet today!** We start up again next Sunday, October 29.

- 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 meets in the Heritage Room immediately following the service.

**TRUNK N TREAT** is **Tuesday, 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.

**THE FIRST CHURCH LADIES' BIBLE STUDY** will meet on **Tuesday, October 24**, at 10:00am in the Fellowship Hall. We will watch the session 2 video on our study of the book of Revelation: "Have You Lost Perspective?" and we will fill in pages 38-39 in our study guide. Hope to see you there!



### SO FAR 219 BOXES OF STUFFING HAVE BEEN COLLECTED IN OUR 2023 THANKSGIVING STUFFING CHALLENGE!

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 Centers.

## AREA EVENTS...

**RAILROAD CROSSING CLOSURE:** CSX will be making another critical repair to a railroad crossing requiring a temporary closure. **Monday, Oct. 23:** Crossing at South Park Avenue / E. 168<sup>th</sup> St. The work at the crossing will take approximately two weeks to complete. Detour signage will be installed along the route. Thank you for your patience and cooperation.

**CALVIN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL** is hosting its online auction next week, **October 26-28!** Bid on a variety of items to support Calvin's students & teachers - every bid gets us closer to our goal.

Find the auction at: [www.32auctions.com/CalvinChristianSchool](http://www.32auctions.com/CalvinChristianSchool)

**MILITARY TRIBUTE** is being held on **Wednesday, November 1**, from 10:30am-1:00pm at South Holland Community Center, 501 E 170th Street. The Village of South Holland is hosting the 9th Annual Military Tribute to honor our Veterans. The tribute ceremony is preceded by a luncheon that is free to Veterans (\$15 for non-Veterans). Attendees are encouraged to bring a toy for the Fire Department's Toy Drive. Registration is open until October 18; please register at the Community Center.

**JOIN US IN LAGRANGE, IL** for this year's Hinsdale Chorale concert "Welcome Yule!" featuring Britten's *Ceremony of Carols* and Rutter's *Angel's Carol* along with a collection of choral works. The choir will be performing with a chamber orchestra and harpist Faye Seeman. FRC members Gail and Brad Housman will perform with the choir as well as former church member MaryAnn Witvoet. Please contact Gail or Brad for tickets or purchase at the door. Two opportunities for performances, **Saturday, November 25**, at 7:00PM or **Sunday, November 26**, at 3:00PM.

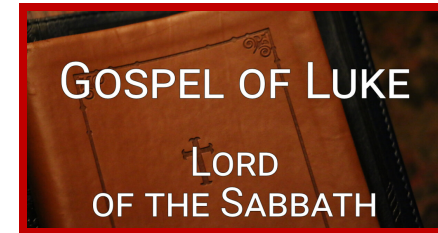
***SERMON NOTES...***

**“To Proclaim Good News: How to Sabbath”**

**Luke 6:1-11**

**Pastor 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**

**9:00AM – NOON / Monday – Friday**

**STAFF...**

**Rev. James Oord**  
*Senior Pastor*

**Pastor Corey Buchanan**  
*Associate Pastor*

**Anthony Bolkema**  
*Pastor of Worship & Ministry*

**Rev. Dr. Rich Grevengood**  
*Pastor of Care & Visitation*

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

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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](http://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.