

FIRST REFORMED CHURCH
of SOUTH HOLLAND
DAY OF PENTECOST
Sunday, May 19, 2024

get wisdom

Welcome to First Reformed Church!

Life can be confusing, overwhelming, and sometimes scary.
But you don't have to face it alone:
God's Word offers wisdom,
The Holy Spirit offers presence,
and the Church offers community.

For 175+ years, First Reformed Church has been gathering every week for worship, for fellowship, and for equipping. Whatever your struggle, whatever your song, whatever your burden, this is the right place to be today!

We're glad you're with us as we enter a new week together with the gracious forgiveness, warm welcome, and courageous hope we receive from Jesus.

TRINITY SUNDAY
May 26, 2024

WE APPROACH GOD

Organ Prelude

"Eternal Father, Strong to Save"
"For the Beauty of the Earth"
"I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry"

Welcome & Call to Worship

Pastor Jim Oord

*Congregational Worship

"All Creatures of our God and King"
"When Morning Gilds the Skies"
"His Name Is Wonderful"

Prayer of Confession

Anthony Bolkema

Song of Assurance

"Be Thou My Vision"

Greeting One Another

Prayers of the People

Pastor Jim Oord

Wisdom Reading & Memory Work

Proverbs 12:1-12

Song of Response

"Write These Words In Our Hearts"

Apostles' Creed

THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture

Proverbs 8:22-36

Sermon

"Get Wisdom: Joining God's Dance"

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Offertory

"O God, Our Help in Ages Past" and *"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"*

*Doxology

*Benediction

Pastor Jim Oord

*Sending in Grace

"Lord, Dismiss Us with Your 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.

UP & COMING AT FIRST...

SUNDAY, MAY 26

GREETERS: Dennis Woltzen

WELCOME CENTER: Gerri VanBaren

WORSHIP TEAM: Nolan Bolkema, Kim Bolkema, Nate Housman, Julia Keep, and Peter Keep

PROJECTION: Felicia Flowers

VIDEO: Rhonda DeBok

SOUND: Rhonda Hesselink

ORGAN: Joanne Hoeksema

PIANO: Amy Veldboom

NURSERY: Darcy Daly and Julia Keep

COFFEE SERVERS: Jim & Bonnie DeGroot and Don & Noreen VanDeursen

COOKIE VOLUNTEERS: Rhonda DeBok, Nancy DeVries, and Barb Grevengoed

MONDAY, MAY 27 – MEMORIAL DAY

Church Office and Day Care Closed

COMMUNION SUNDAY, JUNE 2

GREETERS: Steve VanderWoude and Lucas VanderWoude

WELCOME CENTER: Deb Woltzen

WORSHIP TEAM: Kim Bolkema, Nolan Bolkema, Gail Housman, Nate Housman, and Nikki Nyhanna

PROJECTION: Izzy Veldboom

VIDEO: Keith Flowers

SOUND: Rhonda Hesselink

ORGAN: Joanne Hoeksema

PIANO: Amy Veldboom

NURSERY: Darcy Daly and Abby Veldboom

COFFEE SERVERS: Don & Nyla DeGraff and Don & Gerri VanBaren

COOKIE VOLUNTEERS: Laurel DeGraff, Sherry Norris, and Nikki Nyhanna

OASIS: Camp Sullivan Retreat

CARE...

Arleta Hommes is in hospice care at Valparaiso Senior Living.

Jodi Bult, Don and Noreen VanDeursen's daughter, is scheduled for back surgery on Monday, June 3.

Kathy Oord continues with her cancer treatments.

Pray for **Marsha Pilipow** as she tends to the health of her aging mother, Patricia.

OUR EXTENDED FAMILY: Ralph & Margene Paarlberg, Bickford Senior Living, #248, 100 Jones Drive, Bourbonnais, IL 60914

OUR GIFTS...

Sunday, May 19

Offering: \$5,749.54 (*Needed Weekly: \$11,500.00*)

Gift & Memorial for Phyllis DeYoung: \$716.02; Other Income: \$3,000.00

Missions - Living with Hope: \$278.70

Total Giving: \$9,744.26

Reach 175: \$176.89

UPDATED REACH 175 TOTAL: \$43,268.80

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.

PICTORIAL DIRECTORY: The church office continues updating the church directory, but we still need pictures! If you have not yet submitted a recent photo of you/your family, please help us out by promptly emailing photos@frcsh.org (**please also submit any changes in address/phone/email that may have taken place since our last published directory**). Alternatively, you can ask a staff member to take a quick picture after church.

THANK YOU!

CHURCH LIFE...

OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY is extended to the family and friends of James Landman, who passed away on Tuesday, May 21. Jim and his wife Lillian were former members and friends of First Reformed Church.

MEMORY VERSE: “In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God’s grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and understanding, he made known to us the mystery of his will according to his good pleasure, which he purposed in Christ.” Ephesians 1:7-9

ORDINATION & INSTALLATION SUNDAY for Elders & Deacons will be next **Sunday, June 2**. Please join us in affirming the call that God has placed on each of these individual’s lives.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO THE CONGREGATION for your nominations, attendance, and vote at this year’s congregational meeting. The following members were elected to office: Elders: Anthony Bolkema, Roger DeGraff, Jim DeGroot, and Joanne Hoeksema. Deacons: Rodger Norris, Lisa Triemstra, Barry Voss, and Debbie Woltzen. Trustees: Nyla DeGraff, Steve DeVries, and Rich Zimmerman. The Consistory and congregation take this opportunity to give thanks to God for the leading of these individuals to service in our church. We pray for God’s blessings on each of them as they lead and serve among us. We also bless God for the humble leadership and service of Ron Abernathy, Larry DeYoung, Clair Hoeksema, Steve VanderWoude, Tim DeYoung, Joe Fransen, Rich Thornton, and Colin Cutler, who are outgoing members of Consistory/Trustee.

OUR CONGRATULATIONS to **Benjamin Wooley** graduating from Wilbur Wright Middle School, **Lucas VanderWoude** graduating from Illiana Christian High School, **Izzy Veldboom** graduating from Chicago Christian High School, and **Aaron Taylor** graduating from Southern IL in Carbondale. God has a great plan for you!

CHURCH SUMMER FELLOWSHIP! On **Sunday, June 9**, we will follow our worship service with a hot dog and brat cookout and lawn games in the church front yard from 11:00am-1:00pm. Mark your calendars and dress accordingly for a time of fellowship, food, and fun! In case of rain, this event will be moved to the Activity Center. Sign up at the Welcome Center so we can put a brat on the grill for you!
(Be sure to bring along a lawn chair.)

FAMILY LIFE CHRISTIAN PRE-SCHOOL & DAY CARE GRADUATION is scheduled for **Friday, June 7**, at 4:00pm in the Sanctuary. All First Church members are invited to come and support our families in the Family Life Christian Day Care Program.

CLOTHING CLOSET: We rejoice that our Clothing Closet is continuing to be a blessing to our community, and we are so appreciative of all your donations! If you have clothes or other items to donate to the Clothing Closet, we ask that you drop them off during our open hours (the 2nd Saturday of each month from 9:00-11:00am and the 4th Thursday of each month from 4:00-6:00pm). If those times don’t work for you, you may drop off donations Monday-Friday from 9:00am-4:00pm at the Open Access office in Homewood (900 Maple Avenue). All donations dropped off at Open Access will be sorted and used at our Clothing Closet or one of the several others Open Access runs in our region.

AREA ANNOUNCEMENTS....

MEMORIAL DAY PARADE will be held on **Monday, May 27**, at 11:00am. The parade begins at South Park Avenue and 170th Street, heading north to Veterans Memorial Park. This parade is to honor those in the United States military who have risked their lives for this country. Following the parade there will be a remembrance ceremony at Veterans Memorial Park.

JUNETEENTH: The South Holland Ministerial Association is working together with the Village to host a community Juneteenth event on **Saturday, June 22**, from 12:00-5:00pm at Veterans Park. If you would like to volunteer for this exciting and important event, talk to Pastor Jim.

BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITY: The South Holland Ministerial Association is organizing men’s and women’s monthly Bible Studies. This is a great opportunity to connect with believers and leaders from other churches. The men will have meetings the second Tuesday of every month, from 7:00-8:00am, at the Heritage House (443 E 157th St). The women will meet the second Thursday of every month, from 6:00-7:00pm, at the Community Center (501 E 170th Street). Come out and join us!

ON DUTY FOR MAY...

First Emergency: Trina Taylor
First Security: Colin Cutler

SERMON NOTES...

“Get Wisdom: Joining God’s Dance”

Proverbs 8:22-36

Pastor Jim 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. Dr. James Oord

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Pastor Corey Buchanan

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Anthony Bolkema

Pastor of Worship & Ministry

Rev. Dr. Rich Grevengoed

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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.