FIRST REFORMED CHURCH

of SOUTH HOLLAND

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Father's Day, June 16, 2024



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.

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WE APPROACH GOD

Organ Prelude "Be Thou My Vision"

"Lord, Through All the Generations"

"Teach Thou Us to Count Our Days"

"How Deep the Father's Love for Us"

Welcome & Call to Worship Pastor Corey Buchanan

*Congregational Worship "Sing Praise to the Father"

"Your Name"

Prayer of Confession Pastor Corey Buchanan

Song of Assurance "It Was Finished Upon That Cross"

Greeting One Another

Prayers of the People Pastor Jim Oord

Wisdom Reading & Memory Work

Song of Response "Write These Words in Our Hearts"

THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture Proverbs 1:1-19

Sermon "Get Wisdom: Fatherly Wisdom"

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Offertory "Great Are You, Lord"

*Doxology

*Benediction Pastor Jim Oord

*Sending in Grace "Lord Dismiss Us with Your Blessing"

*Postlude "Awesome God"

*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, JUNE 16 – FATHER'S DAY

GREETERS: Rodger Norris and Cindy Nylen

WELCOME CENTER: Raylene Oord

WORSHIP TEAM: Kim Bolkema, Nolan Bolkema, Dacia Hill, Peter & Julia Keep, and

Nick Paarlberg

PROJECTION: Gwen Adams

VIDEO: Mike Decker SOUND: Lucas Bolkema ORGAN: Joanne Hoeksema PIANO: Pastor Jim Oord

NURSERY: Darcy Daly and Mary Decker

COFFEE SERVERS: Claude & Sharon Brooks and Gwen Adams

COOKIE VOLUNTEERS: Mary Paulton, Alison VanderWoude, and Gerri VanBaren

SATURDAY, JUNE 22

NOON: Juneteenth Event in Veteran's Park (see announcement for more details)

SUNDAY, JUNE 23

GREETERS: Dennis Woltzen and Barry Voss

WELCOME CENTER: Deb Woltzen **PROJECTION:** Liam VanderWoude

VIDEO: Lucas VanderWoude SOUND: Rhonda Hesselink ORGAN: Joanne Hoeksema

PIANO: Amy Veldboom

NURSERY: Darcy Daly and Izzy Veldboom

COFFEE SERVERS: Don & Noreen VanDeursen and Russ & Heidi Paarlberg **COOKIE VOLUNTEERS:** Felicia Flowers, Amber Fransen, and Grace Jacobsma

ON DUTY FOR JUNE...

First Security: Barry Voss

First Emergency: Alison VanderWoude

CARE...

Emily Seefeldt, 97 years old and a longtime member of First Reformed Church, fell and broke her hip. She is recovering from surgery in Naples, Florida. Please keep Emily and the family in your prayers. Any cards can be sent to Cathy (Seefeldt) Maki at 23125 Sanabria Loop, Bonita Springs, FL 34135.

Arleta Hommes is in hospice care at Valparaiso Senior Living.

Mary Berumen was admitted to Ingalls Hospital with breathing difficulties.

Sharon Dinkel was able to get outpatient cortisone injections for her sciatica on Thursday, June 13.

Solomon Davis, Pastor Corey's 25-year-old nephew, is recovering from open heart surgery he had on May 29 at the University of Chicago. He will need a heart transplant when one is available.

For those giving care to parents, spouses, siblings, children, and/or friends who are struggling.

For those battling cancer, going through treatments, facing side effects, or caring for a loved one with cancer.

OUR EXTENDED FAMILY: Dorothy VanVuren, 1039 Sterling Ct., Crown Point, IN 46307

OUR GIFTS...

Sunday, June 9

Offering: \$4,127.17 (Needed Weekly: \$11,500.00)

Total Giving: \$4,127.17

Reach 175: \$236.08

UPDATED REACH 175 TOTAL: \$50,976.07

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.

CHURCH LIFE...

MEMORY VERSE: "Listen to your father, who gave you life, and do not despise your mother when she is old. Buy the truth and do not sell it - wisdom, instruction, and insight as well." - Proverbs 23:22-23

MEMORY VERSES: Throughout our "Get Wisdom" series, we have been working on memory verses about wisdom. By next Sunday, we will have learned six passages: Proverbs 4:18-19, James 1:5, Ephesians 1:7-9, Proverbs 15:15-16, Proverbs 3:5-6, and Proverbs 23:22-23. If you can recite all six (with five or fewer mistakes) to Pastor Jim next Sunday, June 23, we will award you a copy of Tim Keller's daily devotional through the book of Proverbs, *God's Wisdom for Navigating Life*. Talk to Pastor Jim for more details.

TO OUR FIRST CHURCH FAMILY: We are so grateful for the loving care shown to us through this past season. The meals, cards, visits, calls, and most of all prayers sustained us in a wonderful way by God's grace daily. Our church was a real testimony to our family and friends. Phyllis was at total peace from beginning to end, knowing that her assignment here was about to end, and looking forward to what Jesus had in store for her in heaven. Fifty-four years of marriage with no regrets is a wonderful gift.

— Larry DeYoung and Family

SPECIAL OLYMPICS: Congratulations to all who participated in the State Special Olympic Games last weekend, especially six athletes from the Tibstra House! Bob Brink got a gold medal, Bob Cook and Cher Tom got silver medals, Andy Swartwout got a bronze medal, and Erin Julien and Tracy Rito received ribbons! Everyone had a great time and thanks you for your prayers.

UNITY SERVICES: Our elders are excited to announce two special "Unity Services." On Sunday, July 7, our entire congregation will travel to worship at Calvary Community Church in South Holland (just down the street at 16341 South Park Avenue). Rides will be available if needed. On Sunday, August 25, the entire congregation of Calvary Community Church will come worship with us. Members of Family Church in Chicago Heights will also be included in these services. Both of these unity services will be at our typical worship time of 9:30am. More details to follow as we eagerly anticipate these opportunities to share unity and fellowship in Christ.

SUMMER STUDY: Every Wednesday from **July 10-August 21**, we will be holding a special study from 6:00-7:30pm. Plan on attending these opportunities to learn and grow together!

Topic: "the ABCs of Being Reformed"

Who's invited: members of Family Church, Calvary Community Church, and YOU!

What to bring: your Bible

Who's teaching: pastors and elders from all three churches

Where: alternating between First Reformed (July 10, 24, August 7, and 21) and

Calvary Community (July 17, 31, and August 14)

Mark your calendars for these future exciting fellowship times!

FUTURE WEDNESDAY "THE CHOSEN 3" NIGHTS

August 28, September 11 & 25, October 9 & 23, November 6 & 20, and December 11 6:00 – 7:30pm

December 4: First Christmas Party (no study)
December 18: Chapel Vespers Service

AREA ANNOUNCEMENTS....

JUNETEENTH: The South Holland Ministerial Association is eagerly anticipating the inaugural Coming Together on Juneteenth, a festive event celebrating African-American history, this Saturday, June 22, from noon-5:00pm at Veterans Memorial Park. The event includes a prayer tent, gospel music, a Black Farmers Market, inspirational speakers, the Jesse White Tumblers, and much more! If you would like to volunteer for this exciting and important event, talk to Pastor Jim.

THE 4TH OF JULY is less than a month away, and the Village has all kinds of activities to make your 4th of July a fun one! Starting off from noon to 4pm, we are hosting a family fun festival at Veterans Memorial Park featuring bounce houses, carnival games, balloon artists, a giant slide, and more for the kids. There will also be food trucks and live music for all ages! And the **South Holland Little League** is playing their All-Star Game at 2pm! The park will close from 5:00-6:00pm so we can get the park ready for the fireworks show. At 6:00pm, the park will reopen, and the fireworks will light up after dusk. Come on out and enjoy the 4th of July with us!

SERMON NOTES...

"Get Wisdom: Fatherly Wisdom"
Proverbs 1:1-19
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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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.