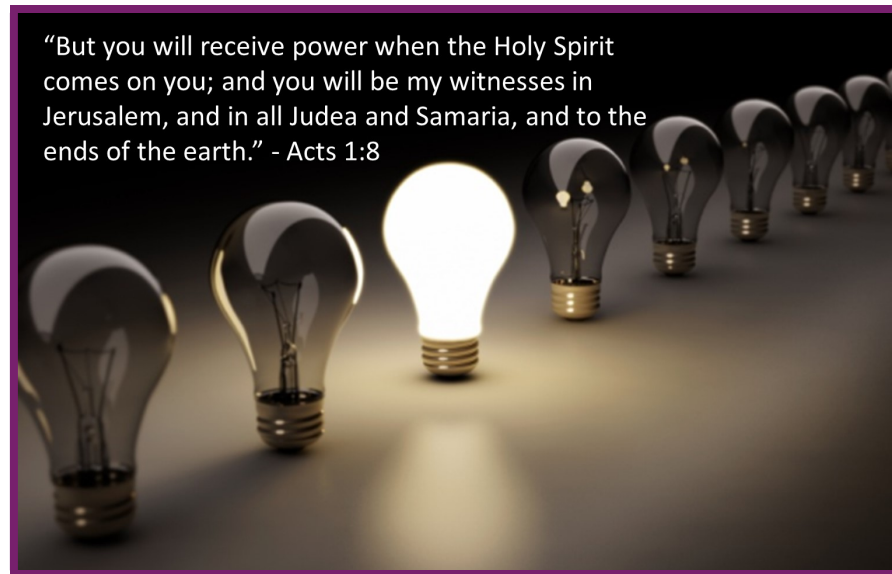


FIRST REFORMED CHURCH
of SOUTH HOLLAND
FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
Sunday, June 23, 2024



"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." - Acts 1:8

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.

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
Sunday, June 23, 2024

WE APPROACH GOD

Organ Prelude

"Glorified, Blessed and Worthy"

"Nearer, My God, To Thee"

"Glory and Grace"

Welcome & Greeting One Another

Pastor Corey Buchanan

*Congregational Worship

"How Great Thou Art"

"My Tribute"

"There Is a Redeemer"

Prayer of Confession

Pastor Jim Oord

Song of Assurance

"Christ the Sure & Steady Anchor"

THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture

Acts 1:1-11

Sermon

"Holy Ghost Power"

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Congregational Prayer

Pastor Jim Oord

Offertory

"His Eye Is On the Sparrow"

*Doxology

*Benediction

Pastor Corey Buchanan

*Sending in Grace

"Lord Dismiss Us with Your Blessing"

*Postlude

"Lift Every Voice and Sing"

*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 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

MONDAY, JUNE 24

9:30AM: Piece makers meet in the Fellowship Hall

FRIDAY, JUNE 28

9:00AM: OASIS goes to Deep River

SUNDAY, JUNE 30

GREETERS: Steve VanderWoude and Lucas VanderWoude

WELCOME CENTER: Alison VanderWoude

WORSHIP TEAM: Nolan Bolkema, Joe Fransen, Nick Paarlberg, Lisa Triemstra, Abby Veldboom, and Bella VanderWoude

PROJECTION: Joey Nyhanna

VIDEO: Rhonda DeBok

SOUND: Lucas Bolkema

ORGAN: Joanne Hoeksema

PIANO: Amy Veldboom

NURSERY: Darcy Daly and Sara Jabaay

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

COOKIE VOLUNTEERS: Nancy DeVries, Raylene Oord, and Cindy Paarlberg

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 and has taken a turn for the worse.

Mary Berumen has been moved to Oak Lawn Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Room 104A to gain strength as she recovers from surgery.

Sharon Dinkel is doing well after having treatments for sciatica and thanks you for your prayers.

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: Harriet DeYoung. Elevate Health Care #108, 16300 Wausau Ave., South Holland, IL 60473

OUR GIFTS...

Sunday, June 16

Offering: \$5,736.38 *(Needed Weekly: \$11,500.00)*

Total Giving: \$5,736.38

Reach 175: \$206.89

UPDATED REACH 175 TOTAL: \$51,182.96

ON DUTY FOR JUNE...

First Security: Barry Voss

First Emergency: Alison VanderWoude

CHURCH LIFE...

FIRST CHURCH is celebrating the birthday of Harriet DeYoung who turned 100 years young yesterday on Saturday, June 22. Congratulations Harriet to you and your wonderful family!

VIOLA VAN DAM would like to thank the church for the cards signed by our church family members and sent to shut-ins each week.

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 today, 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.

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)

THE CHOSEN SEASON 3 OPPORTUNITY!

This fall, we invite you to once again come out every other Wednesday to watch *The Chosen, Season 3* together. If you didn't watch season 1 & 2 with us last year, you're still welcome to come! You can catch up on Season 1 & 2 for free online (or ask the church office about

DVDs you can borrow). This study starts on **Wednesday, August 28**, and will include a light meal at 6:00pm and run every other Wednesday until we finish Season 3. The episode screening will be followed by a short 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!

FUTURE WEDNESDAY “THE CHOSEN 3” NIGHTS
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

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

AREA ANNOUNCEMENTS....

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...

“Holy Ghost Power”

Acts 1:1-11

Pastor Corey Buchanan

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.



15924 South Park Avenue • South Holland, IL 60473

Office: 708.333.0622 • Prayer Line: 708.333.8150

E-mail • office@frcsh.org

SECRETARIES' OFFICE HOURS

9:00AM – NOON / Monday – Friday

STAFF...

Rev. Dr. James Oord
Senior Pastor

Pastor Corey Buchanan
Associate Pastor

Anthony Bolkema
Pastor of Worship & Ministry

Rev. Dr. Rich Grevengoed
Pastor of Care & Visitation

Nyla DeGraff
Church Administrator

Gerri VanBaren
Administrative Assistant

Steve Alexander
Church Custodian

Jane Ackerman
Church Accountant

Darcy Daly
Nursery Coordinator

Toni Smith
Director of Family Life
Christian Pre-School & Day Care

Visit us online at www.frcsh.org

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.