

**FIRST REFORMED CHURCH**  
of SOUTH HOLLAND  
**SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
Sunday, June 30, 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

*"The Spacious Firmament"*  
*"He Leadeth Me"*  
*"Jesus Is All the World to Me"*

Welcome & Call to Worship

Pastor Corey Buchanan

\*Congregational Worship

*"I Love You, Lord, My Strength, My Rock"*  
*"Christ Our Hope in Life & Death"*

Prayer of Confession

Pastor Jim Oord

Song of Assurance

*"The Lord Is My Salvation"*

Greeting One Another

Pastor Jim Oord

**THE WORD OF GOD**

Scripture

Psalm 28

Prayers of the People

Elder Steve VanderWoude

Song of Response/Preparation

*"Jesus Strong & Kind"*

Sermon

*"How's Your Heart: Calling for Help...and Heard!"*

**WE RESPOND TO GOD**

Offertory

\*Doxology

\*Benediction

Pastor Jim Oord

\*Sending in Grace

*"Our God Will Go Before Us"*

\*Organ Postlude

*"Be Strong in the Lord"*

\*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 30

**GREETERS:** Steve and Lucas VanderWoude; **WELCOME CENTER:** Alison VanderWoude  
**WORSHIP TEAM:** Nolan Bolkema, Joe Fransen, Nick Paarlberg, Lisa Triemstra, Bella VanderWoude, and Abby Veldboom  
**PROJECTION:** Gwen Adams; **VIDEO:** Rhonda DeBok; **SOUND:** Lucas Bolkema  
**ORGAN:** Joanne Hoeksema; **PIANO:** Anthony Bolkema  
**NURSERY:** Darcy Daly and Sara Jabaay  
**COFFEE SERVERS:** Don & Noreen VanDeursen and Jim & Bonnie DeGroot  
**COOKIE VOLUNTEERS:** Nancy DeVries, Raylene Oord, and Cindy Paarlberg

MONDAY, JULY 1

6:00PM: F-PEC meeting in the Fellowship Hall

WEDNESDAY, JULY 3

No ACT meeting this month

7:00-9:00PM: Elder and Deacon Orientation in the Genesis Room

THURSDAY, JULY 4

8:00AM: Prayer at the Gates (see announcement)

Church Office and Family Life Christian Day Care Closed

FRIDAY, JULY 5

Church Office Closed and Family Life Christian Day Care has early dismissal

UNITY SUNDAY, JULY 7

9:30AM: Combined Service at Calvary Community Church in South Holland  
**WORSHIP TEAM:** Nolan Bolkema, Anthony Bolkema, Joanne Hoeksema, Jessica Housman, and Nikki Nyhanna  
**COOKIE VOLUNTEERS:** Gwen Adams, Mary Decker, and Deb Woltzen

MONDAY, JULY 8

7:00AM: Trustees meet in the Heritage Room  
9:30AM: Piece Makers meet in the Fellowship Hall  
7:00PM: 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarterly Consistory meeting in the Genesis Room

TUESDAY, JULY 9

6:30PM: DNA meeting in the Fellowship Hall

WEDNESDAY, JULY 10

6:00-7:30AM: Summer Study in the Fellowship Hall (see announcement)

SATURDAY, JULY 13

9:00-11:00AM: Clothing Closet in the Activity Center  
7:00PM: OASIS at SoHo Sweets

SUNDAY, JULY 14

**GREETERS:** Rodger Norris and Cindy Nylen; **WELCOME CENTER:** Raylene Oord  
**WORSHIP TEAM:** Kim Bolkema, Nolan Bolkema, Joe Fransen, Dacia Hill, Austin Parks, and Bella VanderWoude  
**PROJECTION:** Liam VanderWoude; **VIDEO:** Eric Pradelski; **SOUND:** Lucas Bolkema  
**ORGAN:** Joanne Hoeksema; **PIANO:** Anthony Bolkema  
**NURSERY:** Darcy Daly and Julia Keep  
**COFFEE SERVERS:** Rodger & Sherry Norris and Cindy Nylen & Faye Gowens  
**COOKIE VOLUNTEERS:** Rhonda DeBok, Mary Koster, and Lisa Triemstra

*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.  
Chuck Dinkel will undergo surgery for lung cancer tomorrow at Advocate Christ Hospital.  
Mary Berumen has been moved to Oak Lawn Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Room 100 to gain strength as she recovers from surgery.  
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.  
OUR EXTENDED FAMILY: Anita Decker-Steenbergen, Room #1308, Hartsfield Village, 10002 Columbia Ave., Munster, IN 46321

*OUR GIFTS...*

Sunday, June 23

Offering: \$3,950.17 (Needed Weekly: \$11,500.00)

Total Giving: \$3,950.17

Reach 175: \$211.08; UPDATED REACH 175 TOTAL: \$51,394.04

CHURCH LIFE...

OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY is extended to the family and friends of Arleta Hommes, who passed away Sunday, June 23.

UNITY SERVICES: Our elders are excited to announce two special "Unity Services." This 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.

PRAYER AT THE GATES: Every July 4th, the South Holland Ministerial Association organizes a "Prayer at the Gates" event. A local church or ministry meets at each entrance to South Holland at 8:00am to cover our community, our leaders, our first responders, and our nation in prayer. This meaningful and powerful event is a great way to start the holiday! Our church's location is at the corner of 154th Street and South Park Avenue (meet in the parking lot on the west side of South Park). We hope to see you there on Thursday, July 4th, at 8:00am!

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 in the Fellowship Hall) and Calvary Community (July 17, 31, and August 14)

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.



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

AREA ANNOUNCEMENTS...

THE 4TH OF JULY is this week, 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!

ON DUTY FOR JUNE...

First Security: Barry Voss  
First Emergency: Alison VanderWoude

ON DUTY FOR JULY...

First Security: Rich Thornton  
First Emergency: Mary Decker



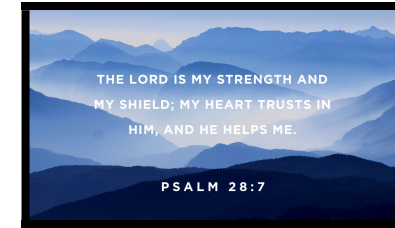
***SERMON NOTES...***

**“How’s Your Heart: Calling for Help...and Heard!”**

**Psalm 28**

**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**  
*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*

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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.