

FIRST REFORMED CHURCH
of SOUTH HOLLAND
EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
Sunday, July 14, 2024



Welcome to First Reformed Church!

In 1973, Rev. Reinhold Krone, who served as our Minister of Education and Youth, wrote: "The times have changed greatly, but the mission through the total span of First Church's history has always been the same: to tell others of our Savior."

More than 50 years later, we're still at the same work - telling others about our Savior Jesus Christ and growing together in his grace.

We're glad you're here with us today as we worship and meet the one who walks with us on life's journeys. Through all the changing scenes of life, he will never let us go. At First Church, you'll find an adventurous community of fellow travelers pointing each other to Jesus as we walk.

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WE APPROACH GOD

Organ Prelude

"I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

"Psalm 29"

"Come Let Us Worship the Lord in the Beauty of Holiness"

Welcome & Call to Worship

Pastor Jim Oord

*Congregational Worship

"Come, Thou Almighty King"

"Great Are You, Lord"

Prayer of Confession

Pastor Anthony Bolkema

Song of Assurance

"Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus"

*Greeting One Another

Pastor Jim Oord

THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture

Psalms 29

Prayers of the People

Pastor Jim Oord

Song of Response

"Praise the Lord, O Heavens, Adore Him"

Sermon

"How's Your Heart? Basking in Beauty"

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Offertory

Hymn Sing from the Jar

*Doxology

*Benediction

Pastor Jim Oord

*Sending in Grace

"Our God Will Go Before Us"

*Organ Postlude

"To God Be the Glory"

*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, 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

MONDAY, JULY 15

6:00PM: Worship Team Rehearsal in the Sanctuary

WEDNESDAY, JULY 17

6:00PM: Summer Study @Calvary Community in SH

7:00PM: Day Care Board meeting

SUNDAY, JULY 21

GREETERS: Dennis Woltzen and Barry Voss

WELCOME CENTER: Deb Woltzen

WORSHIP TEAM: Nolan Bolkema, Peter & Julia Keep, Nick Paarlberg, and Robert Wooley

PROJECTION: Lucas Bolkema

VIDEO: Mike Decker

SOUND: Rhonda Hesselink

ORGAN: Bonnie Feenstra; **PIANO:** Jeremiah Green

NURSERY: Darcy Daly and Kim Bolkema

COFFEE SERVERS: Claude & Sharon Brooks and Gwen Adams

COOKIE VOLUNTEERS: Gail Housman, Ellen Nelson, and Mary Paulton

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.

Anne Koval has returned home from the hospital and is having home rehab.

Ellen Nelson requests prayers for her son Kurt and daughter Colleen, who are both going through a variety of serious health issues.

Craig and Jan Nelson continue to struggle with a variety of health issues and need prayers for health and strength.

Chuck Dinkel is recovering at home from surgery he had on July 1 for lung cancer at Advocate Christ Hospital.

Mary Berumen remains at Oak Lawn Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Room 100 to gain strength as she recovers from surgery.

Bill Bates, Nancy Bates' nephew living in Los Angeles, had a heart attack and is being sedated to rest his body.

OUR EXTENDED FAMILY: Carol Barnes, Arden Courts, Room #16, 2045 E. 170th St., South Holland, IL 60473

OUR GIFTS...

Sunday, June 30

Offering: \$8,397.11 *(Needed Weekly: \$11,500.00)*

Total Giving: \$8,397.11

Reach 175: \$483.38

UPDATED REACH 175 TOTAL: \$52,077.42

Sunday, July 7

Offering: \$2,946.91 *(Needed Weekly: \$11,500.00)*

Total Giving: \$2,946.91

Reach 175: \$468.06

UPDATED REACH 175 TOTAL: \$52,345.48

CHURCH LIFE...

OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY is extended to Dan and Terry Dieck and their family on the passing of Terry's mother, Leora Meyer, on Wednesday, July 3.

OUR FAMILY is very thankful for all your prayers and concerns for our nephew Solomon Davis, during his recovery from open heart surgery. – The Buchanan Family

MY FAMILY AND I are very grateful to First Reformed Church for so many years of loving and supporting my dad and mom, Roger and Arleta. They were so blessed by being part of your church family. We just wanted to thank everyone there for being such a great church family!

Blessings, Alex, Nhi, Brian & Kim Hommes, Dave & Cindy Pomeroy

TODAY WE UNVEIL the fifth installment of the First Reformed Church Project 175 Banner series. This banner is hanging on the north end of the Fellowship Hall and covers the years 1948-1973. Be sure to check out this new installation today during fellowship time following morning worship.

UNITY SERVICE: On **Sunday, August 25**, the entire congregation of Calvary Community Church will come to worship with us. Members of Family Church in Chicago Heights will also be included in this service. This service will be at our typical worship time of 9:30am. We eagerly anticipate these opportunities to share unity and fellowship in Christ.

EVERY WEDNESDAY through **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 24, August 7, and 21) and Calvary Community (July 17, 31, and August 14)

JOIN US FOR A GARY RAILCATS BASEBALL GAME on **Friday, August 9**, at 6:45pm. Tickets are \$13/person, which includes a \$5 voucher for concessions or merchandise. Sign up at the Welcome Centers if you can attend! Money for tickets can be given to the church office. Make checks payable to First Reformed Church.



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 seasons 1 & 2 with us last year, you're still welcome to come! You can catch up on Seasons 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

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.

THANK YOU!

ON DUTY FOR JULY...

First Security: Rich Thornton

First Emergency: Mary Decker

SERMON NOTES...

“How’s Your Heart? Basking in Beauty

Psalm 29

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

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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.