

**The Covenant of Our
Congregation
Adopted in 1962**

We do hereby set forth the principles of the Christian faith as commonly held among us, believing that no other foundation can anyone lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ.

It shall be our aim to bring joy to little children, instruction and high ideals to youth, inspiration to men and women in the midst of life, and comfort to those in life's later years; and to labor together for the betterment of humankind.

Our fellowship shall not be dependent upon identity of theological opinion, or of outward circumstance, or of denominational concern, but shall grow from a common loyalty to Jesus, a common commitment to serve the world we touch, and a common purpose to do justly, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with God.

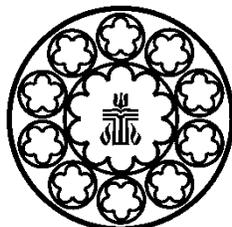
Our ideal is a church of the open mind, the warm heart, the hopeful spirit, and the social vision which ever seeks to express, in all walks of life, the mind of Jesus.



*Right right right
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right.*

Right.

September 20, 2015



First Reformed Church
8 North Church Street
Schenectady, New York 12305
(518) 377-2201 www.1stReformed.com

Welcome to First Reformed Church

We are a welcoming and affirming congregation and absolutely everyone is invited to our worship, activities, and service.

If you are a first time visitor we hope you feel at home here. Please fill out a little white pew card and place it in the offering plate and join us after the service for coffee and refreshments. Stop by a welcome table at the entrance to the Sanctuary.

Non Emergency Number

Schenectady Police: 518-630-0911

Parking

You may park in **any** of the lots around the church or the Stockade Inn on Sunday mornings.

Need Help?

Large print bulletins and audio receivers are available to assist you. Please ask an usher. Special bulletins for children are also available. Restrooms are located out the front right doorway of the sanctuary.

Elders in Worship

Past and current leaders we call 'Elders' walk in together at the beginning of worship and sit in the front pew. This is to identify them as servants of the mission of the church and make it easy to see who you might talk to about the life of our congregation.

Joining the Congregation

To become a member of the congregation, there is a one-time orientation, a meeting with the governing board, and a reception in worship. If you are interested in the next orientation please fill out a white pew card.

Communion

Our congregation celebrates the Lord's Supper on the first Sunday of the month. All followers of Christ are invited to share this meal.

Hearing Assistance

We have a hearing aid loop system that will make it easier to hear. Ask an usher.



Child Care on Sunday

Childcare for babies through age four is available from 9:45am until noon in Kinderwyk, which is located in the building near the church office entry.

Church School

All children in grades K-8 are welcome to join in our Church School activities by leaving immediately after the Children's Message. Parents can pick up their children at 11:15am upstairs in room 20.

Church School on Communion Sundays

On Communion Sundays (the first Sunday of the month) youth in grades 3-8 remain in the service to participate in Communion while those in grades K-2 are welcome to go upstairs after the Children's Message for church school activities.

Children's Worship Bulletins

Special bulletins for children, ages 3-6 and 7-12 are available each Sunday. If the ushers are not handing them out, just ask for one.

After Worship

Typically after worship, people stop for a chat and a cookie in Assembly Hall before going to a learning opportunity that lasts until noon. Visitors are welcome to join in.

Service Online

A recording of each of our worship services is at 1stReformed.com one or two days following the service.

Lost and Found

We have a lost and found basket in the Narthex (at the front entrance of the church). If you have lost/misplaced an item at church, please check this basket.

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 20, 2015

*The congregation may stand.

PRELUDE Petia Kassarova, cello
Ann-Marie Barker Schwartz, violin

Sonata in G Major HWV 358 G.F. Handel
Allegro, Adagio, Allegro

10:00 a.m.

GREETING Stacey Midge

ANNOUNCEMENTS & ORIENTATION

CALL TO WORSHIP Bill Levering

INTROIT *Psalm 122:1* Franklin G'van

* HYMN *Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine* #341

* OUR NEED FOR GOD (*unison*)

**Infinite God, forgive us when we cannot see
beyond our own interests. We pray your
pardon on our selfishness and our constant
search for distraction and comfort. Heal
our hearts, we pray, so that we may live for
a larger vision and love for a noble end.**

*GOD'S FORGIVING LOVE

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

**God welcomes all, strangers and friends;
God's love is strong and it never ends!**

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*unison*)

Our Song of Hope

**We sing to our Lord a new song;
We sing in our world a sure hope:
Our God loves this world,
God called it into being,
God renews it through Jesus Christ,
God governs it by the Spirit.
God is the world's true hope.**

*PASSING THE PEACE

ANTHEM Beach Spring, arr. R. Wienhorst

Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service

Lord, whose love in humble service
bore the weight of human need.
Who upon the cross, forsaken,
worked your mercy's perfect deed.
We, your servants, bring the worship
not of voice alone, but heart;
Consecrating to your purpose
every gift which you impart.

Still your children wander homeless;
still the hungry cry for bread;
Still the captives long for freedom,
still in grief we mourn our dead.
As you, Lord, in deep compassion
healed the sick and freed the soul,
By your Spirit send your power
to our world to make it whole.

As we worship, grant us vision,
till you love's revealing light
In its height and depth and greatness
dawns upon our quickened sight,
Making known the needs and burdens
your compassion bids us bear,
Stirring us to ardent service,
your abundant life to share.

Albert F. Bayly

CHOIR DEDICATION

FIRST LESSON George Trimarco

Guide us, God, by your Word and Holy Spirit.
Amen. *James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a (pg 230)*

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SECOND LESSON *Mark 9:30-37 (pg 44)*

SERMON *Being Right* Bill Levering

*HYMN *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* #276

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Archives & Historical Concerns

OFFERING

OFFERTORY *Aubade, op. 133*
Benjamin Godard (1849-1895)

*DOXOLOGY #592
Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*unison*)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

*HYMN *Come Labor On* #415

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

* CHORAL RESPONSE
Twofold Amen Robert Bennett

POSTLUDE

Lord, Dismiss Us With Thy Blessing
Sicilian Mariners

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Prayers of the People

Requests for prayer may be noted on a pew card and placed in the offering plate. We pray regularly for those who are ill, those who serve their country, those who hunger, and those who are our enemies. As part of our prayers this morning, we remember with thanksgiving members of our church who entered into eternal rest in previous years about this time:

*Thomas Teichner, Loisanna Hager Veeder,
Patricia Herman, David Erwin Bain*

If you are aware of a departed member, whose name has not been noted near the anniversary of their death, please contact the church office.

Memorial Flowers

The chancel flowers today are placed in the sanctuary to the glory of God and in celebration of the marriage of Julie McGowan and Staci Wienko on August 22 in Aruba by Vickie McGowan-Horan and Mike Horan.

Celebratory or Memorial Flowers

A flower calendar is posted on the right side of the Poling House entrance to the sanctuary wherein you can choose a date for donating flowers to remember a loved one or to honor a special event. Please inform the church office of your wishes. The cost of the flowers is \$30 for two bouquets. You may send your check payable to Chancel Guild, c/o Marlene Risseeuw, 2140 Niskayuna Dr., Niskayuna, NY 12309.

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First Forum

After worship most Sundays at 11:15am in Poling Chapel, suggestions for programs are welcome from any committee or member; simply contact: Amy Brule 785-8201, Peggy King 370-1885, or Joe Doolittle 384-1700.

Today: Get to Know Christian Education,
Blythe Gieseler

Sept 27: Doctoral Update and Invite, Daniel

Oct 4: First Futures, Fred Daniels & Lisa Etkin

Church School

This year our Pastors will be leading the teaching of Church School, but we request that every member sign up for a single Sunday (or more if you desire) to help a Pastor with the lesson for that day. Sign up calendar sheets are available in Assembly Hall. Please sign up as soon as possible so the Pastors will know in advance who they will be working with, and if you have any activities you are particularly fond of...ie: stories, children in worship, crafts. Thank you so much!

Jazz Vespers Every Sunday ~ 5:00 pm

Today: Dave Gleason, piano

Sept 27: Peg Delaney Trio

Oct 4: Nat Phipps Trio

Youth Group Schedule

The youth group is open to all students in grades 6-12, and meets, starting TODAY, every Sunday night from 5-7pm (unless otherwise indicated) for: discussion, food, learning, fellowship, and service. We kick off our program year with a picnic for all youth and parents.

Today: - Kick-off Picnic/Parents' Mtg. 5pm

Sept. 27 - 5pm meeting - What's Your Story?
Getting to know each other and our youth mentors

Oct. 4 - 5pm meeting - ????? About Jesus

Youth Group Notes

Reminder - the Youth Group Kick-off Picnic is

TODAY at 5pm on the church lawn (or in Friendship Hall in case of inclement weather).

All youth in grades 6-12 and their parents are invited. Please bring a dish to share. After we eat, the Covenanters will lead the youth in games and fun, while the parents have an informational meeting with Stacey. Parents - please bring your insurance cards to fill out our permission forms.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask Stacey Midge. We look forward to seeing you tonight and throughout the year!

Post-service Refreshments

"Hospitality is love in action." *Alexander Strauch*

Please become an active participant in our hospitality ministry by volunteering for post-service refreshments. Sign up in Assembly Hall, where you will find instructions for service.

Contact Taart Baas Karen with questions at 607-725-4521 or karengonda6@gmail.com.

Thank you!

Directory Pictures Needed

If you did not get a picture taken by Ralph Rosenthal, send a picture you would like used that is not too silly to 1stReformed@gmail.com

Fifty Years of Painting – A Retrospective

By Katherine Trimarco

Join me in the Poling Conference room after worship each Sunday during September and into October for a showing of my paintings created over the last 50 yrs. and let me share with you a lifetime of personal inspiration.

Kirk Ringers – TODAY

Kirk Ringers will meet from 11:15 to noon in room 20 (at the top of the stairs) each Sunday, beginning today. We have loads of special music planned and lots of participants are needed! Any child of Church School age is invited to join us. No prior experience required!

Johnson Memorial Library

Periodicals, located above the library's display table, are often overlooked sources of information and inspiration. *Double Dutch*: the Magazine, provides in stunning photographs, Holland's scenery and traditions. *The Christian Century*, 8/19 issue, carries an article of the inhumanity of life without parole, in *Death Without Killing*. The September/October issue of *Presbyterians Today* suggests how to be a positive force for change in *Healing a Hurting World*.

Faith Bookshop

Groucho Marx, sage and humorist, had something to say about the companionable relationship between a book and its reader. He put it this way, "Outside of a dog a book is a man's best friend. Inside of a dog it's too dark to read." You can order companionable books, in fact any book in print, at a 30% discount through the church Bookshop.

Orff

If you are looking for Other Really Fabulous Fun at FRC, join us in the Music Office at 9am each Sunday morning! No experience is needed as we learn songs and accompaniments for worship.

We have been blessed with a beautiful ensemble of ORFF instruments that must be played!

Contact Jamie Ipsen, 399-6848, with questions.

Horizon's Bible Study

We are using the Presbyterian Women's Horizon's Bible Study entitled "Come to the Waters". We meet every Tuesday at 10am in the Poling Conference room.

Kerygma Conversations

Our Wednesday discussion of this world and our relation to it, as discovered in science, revealed in Scripture and developed in our theology is full! Those who wish to engage in such a study are encouraged to attend the similar Early Bird Sunday Study (see below).

Early Bird Sunday Study

A new education and nurture option this fall for those up early and looking to learn with others before worship! Coffee and treats are shared by those gathered 8:30-9:30am in Walton Conference room for a discussion of *For the Beauty of the Earth: a Christian Vision of Creation Care*. A couple copies of the required course book may still be available in the Faith Bookshop; if not, more can be ordered from the leader, Daniel Carlson.

Midweek Feast: Food for Body, Mind & Soul Every Wednesday this fall

> *Dinner at 6*--bring whatever food you like and wish to contribute to the table in Assembly Hall where informal, friendly conversation is enjoyed.

> *Study at 7*--delve into a study and discussion this September led by Stacey Midge of the timely themes of the Accra Confession

> *Worship at 8*--stay for a brief, reflective service of song, scripture, silence, the Lord's Supper, and prayers of supplication for those in need.

New Literary Magazine Hot Off the Press

Complimentary copies of *The Beverwyck Anthology* can be found in the Faith Bookshop and the library. *The Beverwyck* is a product of the Flash Fiction Critique Group.

Archives & Historical Concerns – Sept. 21
Bring a lunch and join us at noon in Assembly Hall for a meeting on upcoming events.

The Short-Short Writing Group

A writing critique group meets on the second and fourth Wednesday of the month in the Walton Conference room at 7pm. Short-Shorts are stories, essays, memoirs, or other non-fiction works told in 1,000 words or less. For more info, contact James Gonda at jgonda12309@gmail.com.

Stitch Group

Our church PHD* stitch group meets every Thursday in Poling Conference room. Work on whatever project you have. Finish something old, make something new, work on something borrowed, or make something blue! For more info, contact Joan Lindsay, 399-3153.

*Projects Half Done

Do you Hear What We Hear? – Sept. 21

Klokken Tower Ringers invite you to explore the interesting musical world of handbells! Regardless of previous musical experience we will welcome you and train you! Some music reading skills are helpful and the specific techniques, we teach! What we offer is a unique way to participate in worship and fellowship and a fun experience! All ages are welcomed. Join us at 7pm on Mondays in the Poling Conference room. Questions can be answered by Judy Moore at moorebells@gmail.com

What's Your Story? Sept. 21 and Sept. 29

Everyone has significant life stories to share, and doing so within the context of a small group committed to gently holding such stories in the light of God's love enables us to better know and appreciate others – and ourselves! A morning group (10-12), led by Kitty Trimarco, will be held on Monday, September, 21. The evening group (7-9), led by Scott Hicks, will be held on Tuesday, September 29. Both groups will meet in the Dirck Romeyn room. If you are interested in participating, contact one of those noted above.

Prayer Shawl Knitting Group - Sept. 24

We meet every fourth Thursday of the month unless otherwise noted. Our next meeting will be on Thursday, September 24 at 9:30am at the home of Ronnie Bartholic. We welcome anyone interested in joining us. Please contact Ronnie at 393-7679 with any questions.

Banket Baking - Sept. 25

We **need volunteers** to help bake pastries on Friday, September 25 from 3pm until evening and/or to help with hospitality during Walkabout day. If interested please contact Mary Jewett, 355-8059. We will prepare heritage pastries starting at 3pm in the Assembly Hall.

55th Stockade Walkabout - Sept. 26

Volunteer sign-up sheets and Walkabout brochures are in Assembly Hall, on bulletin boards, information racks, or in the church office. For more on being a greeter/guide call Laura Lee, 281-4764. This is an annual Stockade-wide open house and fundraising event highlighting our historic neighborhood from 11am-5pm. We set up exhibits and provide a hospitality room.

ART and Lamp Sale during Walkabout

The Home Furnishings Program of Schenectady will be sponsoring this sale during the Stockade Walkabout. There will be a pre-sale opportunity for church members between 10am and noon on Friday, September 25.

First Friday Performance Series – Oct. 2

We will be showing the 1925 silent movie "Battleship Potemkin" at our next First Friday Performance on October 2nd at 7pm. The movie is a dramatized depiction of the 1905 mutiny that occurred on the Russian ship during the 1905 Revolution. This is a story which highlights the hardships endured by shipmen and civilians alike during that period. Though the content is sometimes intense, the imagery is often stunning and the story illustrates the power of the human spirit, even at the most difficult of times.

New Member Class – Oct. 4

Interested in a closer relationship with this congregation? Dr. Levering will be leading a membership meeting that includes a tour of the church and a chat about who we are. It lasts 90 minutes and is held in the church office at 3pm, usually on the first Sunday of the month.

World Communion Sunday – Oct. 4

On Sunday October 4, our 3rd graders will prepare and receive communion for the first time. We will also be collecting a special offering.

Baptismal Buddies Brunch – Oct. 4

A first gathering for newly/soon-to-be baptized babies and their parents as well as expecting parents is scheduled for October 4, following worship, in the Dirck Romeyn room. There will be an informal opportunity for those in this age and stage to get to know one another, learn about resources and practices enabling the fulfillment of the vows made in baptism, and give input on how our church can become more of a place of grace for our youngest members and their parents. There is no cost for this event, but please contact the church office to register.

Blessing of the Pets – Oct. 4

On Sunday October 4 at 3pm, all are welcome to bring their furry, finned, or feathered friends to be blessed on the church lawn. We will celebrate God's creation of and care for all living creatures and the unique relationships humans have with our animal companions.

Group V – Oct. 5

Group V will resume our first Monday of the month 11am morning meetings on Oct. 5 in the Dirck Romeyn room.

We Need Your Books for the Book Fair

Donate them to our church Book Fair to be held on October 18. Fiction, non-fiction, children's (no college text books, please). If you'd like to be part of the Fair in some capacity, see or call Linda Witkowski 374-7904.

New Word Service Starts Oct. 9

Our congregation is full of stories. We have groups that tell each other stories of their lives (What's Your Story.) We have a group that write short stories of movement and wonder (Flash Fiction/Short-Shorts.) Our community has talented story-tellers of all types. Public radio has stories every day (Moth, StoryCorps, This American Life.) We read our children stories all the time. **And God has stories of faith for us.** Put this all together, and you have a recipe for a fascinating worship service beginning at 7pm.

Room for All National Conference

Room for All is holding a national conference in celebration of ten years of advocating for the full participation of LGBTQ persons in all aspects of the life and ministry of the RCA. The conference will be at Central Reformed Church in Grand Rapids, MI from October 22-25. Scholarships and travel assistance are available. Registration deadline is October 1. See Stacey for more info.

Leadership Retreat - October 16-17

Consistory members, program staff, and congregational leaders are invited to the 2015 Leadership Retreat. It will be held Friday and Saturday October 16-17 at First Reformed in Albany. Staying overnight is encouraged but not required for this retreat. If you wish to have a room or roommate, reservations are required to Heather in the church office by September 21.

Men's Breakfast Group – Oct. 17

Please hold the third Saturday of October (10/17) for Breakfast (8am as usual) in Friendship Hall and an interesting presentation on the early history of the automobile industry in New York (yes, NY.) Bring a friend if you can. Any questions or suggestions for future programs, please contact Gene Rowland or Joe Doolittle
erowland@nycap.rr.com
aldenjoe@nycap.rr.com

Worship Readers Meeting – Oct. 18

On Sunday, October 18 at 9am in Poling Chapel, there will be a meeting of folks who are signed up to read scripture. We will go over scheduling and some delivery issues.

Tuesday Ladies – Oct. 20

Tuesday Ladies will begin October 20 at the home of Connie Young 1400 Keyes Avenue. All ladies welcome to chat and get to know each other around a cup of tea.

Evening Circle – Oct. 21

Evening Circle will enjoy dining out at the Garden Bistro 24 on October 21. It is located at 1207 Troy-Schenectady Rd, in front of the old CHP building. Please note change of date. We will gather at 6pm and everyone is invited. RSVP to Ellie Rowland, 250-4302.

FRC Fellowship Lunches – Oct. 30

Fellowship Luncheon will hold its first meeting Friday, October 30 at 11:30am in Assembly Hall. Our hostesses will be Amy Brule and Sally Bestgen. Our speaker, Lynne Gilgore, will tell us about her recent trip to Haiti and the Haiti Water Project of Schenectady Rotary.

Thank You, Thank You, Thank You

Thanks to all who helped make our Fall Picnic a roaring success. The weather didn't put a damper on our fun and we had an impressive turn-out in Friendship Hall. All teams worked in unison from our set-up team, kitchen team, the Grill Guys, those who stayed to clean up, and all those who donated the scrumptious food. You all were responsible for giving the congregation a good start to the fall season.

Name Tags

Since we have many new faces in worship, it would be helpful to all if we wore our name tags. Name tags can be found on the door by Poling Chapel. Don't have one? Contact the church office or let us know on a white pew card.

Sunday, September 20

- 8:30 am Early Bird Sunday Study
- 9:00 am Chancel Choir
- 9:00 am Orff
- 10:00 am Worship
- 10:15 am Church School K-5
- 11:00 am Refreshments
- 11:15 am First Forum
- 11:15 am Kirk Ringers
- 5:00 pm..... Jazz Vespers
- 5:00 pm..... Youth Group

Monday, September 21

- 9:00 am Mens Newsgroup
- 10:00 am What's Your Story?
- 12:00 pm..... Archives
- 6:00 pm..... Yoga
- 7:00 pm..... Klokken Tower Ringers

Tuesday, September 22

- 10:00 am Morning Prayer
- 10:00 am Horizons Bible Study

Wednesday, September 23

- 9:30 am Kerygma Conversations
- 1:00 pm..... Thursday Belles
- 6:00 pm..... Midweek Feast - *Dinner*
- 7:00 pm..... Midweek Feast - *Study*
- 7:00 pm..... The Short-Short Writers Group
- 8:00 pm..... Midweek Feast - *Worship*

Thursday, September 24

- 7:30 am Breakfast Bible Bunch
- 9:30 am Prayer Shawl Knitting Group
- 10:00 am Stitch Group
- 1:00 pm..... LUNN
- 7:30 pm..... Chancel Choir

Friday, September 25

- 10:00 am HFP Art & Lamp Pre-Sale
- 3:00 pm..... Bannet Baking

Saturday, September 26

- 11:00 am Stockade Walkabout

Sunday, September 27

- 8:30 am Early Bird Sunday Study
- 9:00 am Chancel Choir
- 10:00 am Worship
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People find it far easier to forgive others for
being wrong than being right

Albus Dumbledore

At first, they'll only dislike what you say, but the more correct you start sounding the more they'll dislike you. — Criss Jami, Killosophy

Arguing with anonymous strangers on the Internet is a sucker's game because they almost always turn out to be—or to be indistinguishable from—self-righteous sixteen-year-olds possessing infinite amounts of free time. — Neal Stephenson

Without contraries is no progression. Attraction and repulsion, reason and energy, love and hate, are necessary to human existence. — William Blake

It is clear that the individual who persecutes a man, his brother, because he is not of the same opinion, is a monster. — Voltaire

Whenever we want to combat our enemies, first and foremost we must start by understanding them rather than exaggerating their motives. — Criss Jami, Killosophy

Don't raise your voice, improve your argument. — Desmond Tutu

You cannot reason people out of a position that they did not reason themselves into. — Ben Goldacre, Bad Science

I find I am much prouder of the victory I obtain over myself, when, in the very ardor of dispute, I make myself submit to my adversary's force of reason, than I am pleased with the victory I obtain over him through his weakness. — Michel de Montaigne, The Complete Essays

It does take great maturity to understand that the opinion we are arguing for is merely the hypothesis we favor, necessarily imperfect, probably transitory, which only very limited minds can declare to be a certainty or a truth. — Milan Kundera, Encounter

Give me the liberty to know, to utter, and to argue freely according to conscience, above all liberties. — John Milton, Areopagitica

Counting Deacons	David Bundy and Cathy Lewis	Dave Hjelm and Joan Lindsay
Greeters	Janet Crandall and Norm Kuchar	Dale & Norma Brown
Flower Delivery	Cathy Lewis and Jeanne Shoulder	Barbara Walton Vickie & Mike Horan
Faith Bookshop	Ginny Laumeister	Nancy Wainwright
Liturgist	Stacey Midge	Daniel Carlson
Preacher	Bill Levering	Bill Levering
Processing Elders	Darwin Brudos, Gay Doolittle, Brad Lewis, Cathy Lewis, Bill Rochelle, Richard Rose, Margaret Schadler, Jeanne Shoulder	James Gonda, Jerry Griggs, Thomas Lindsay, Joe Lovell, Adam Mason, Liz Mastrianni, Keith Muse, Barbara Walton
Reader	George Trimarco	Carol Troost
Refreshments		Volunteers Needed
Ushers	George Davidson (head usher), Lou Acquasanta, Kip Arnold, Joanne Arnold, Richard Davis, Adam Kerwin	Art Shultes (head usher), Lou Acquasanta, Jim McCullough, Sharron McCullough, Joan Lindsay

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THE CONSISTORY

MINISTERS

Bill Levering, Senior Minister
Daniel Carlson, Associate Minister
Stacey Midge, Associate Minister

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Bill Rochelle
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