



## Welcome to First Reformed Church

*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. After service join us for coffee and refreshments.

### **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.

### **Child Care on Sunday**

Childcare for babies through age four is available from 10am and noon in Kinderwyk, which is located in the building near the church office entry.

### **Church School**

Church school has ended and will resume again on Sept 9. Children will remain in the service to worship with the congregation. Don't forget Vacation Bible School August 6-10!

### **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.

### **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.

### **After Worship**

Typically after worship, people stop for a chat and refreshments in Assembly Hall. Visitors are welcomed and are particularly encouraged to visit.

### **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.

### **Service Online**

A recording of each of our worship services is at [1stReformed.com](http://1stReformed.com) one or two days following the service.

# PENTECOST SUNDAY

May 27, 2012

9:40 a.m.

VOLUNTARY

*Settings of Veni Creator*

1. *Chorale Prelude (1954)*

Flor Peeters

2. *Improvisation (1956)*

John Cook

10:00 a.m.

+ + + **The Approach to God** + + +

GREETING

Stacey Midge

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND WORSHIP ORIENTATION

CALL TO WORSHIP

Bill Levering

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

*Gather Us In*



1 Here in this place — new light is stream-ing, now is the dark - ness  
2 We are the young, our lives are a mys - tery, we are the old who  
3 Here we will take the wine and the wa - ter, here we will take the  
4 Not in the dark of build-ings con-fin - ing, not in some heav - en,



van-ish'd a - way; see in this space our fears and our dream-ings  
yearn for your face; we have been sung through-out all of his - tory,  
bread of new birth, here you shall call your sons and your daugh-ters,  
light years a - way— here in this place the new light is shin - ing,



brought here to you in the light of this day.  
called to be light to the whole hu-man race.  
call us a-new to be salt for the earth.  
now is the king-dom, and now is the day.



Gath-er us in, the lost and for - sak - en, gath-er us in, the  
Gath-er us in, the rich and the haugh-ty, gath-er us in, the  
Give us to drink the wine of com - pas-sion, give us to eat the  
Gath-er us in and hold us for - ev - er, gath-er us in and



blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall a - wak - en,  
proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so low - ly,  
bread that is you; nour-ish us well, and teach us to fash-ion  
make us your own; gath - er us in, all peop - les to-geth - er,



we shall a - rise at the sound of our name.  
give us the cour-age to en - ter the song.  
lives that are ho - ly and hearts that are true.  
fire — of love in our flesh and our bone.

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *(from the United Church of Canada)*

**We are not alone, we live in God's world. We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in Creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God.**

**\*PASSING THE PEACE**

ANTHEM *O Come Thou Sweet Redeeming Fire* Daniel Gawthrop

O come thou sweet redeeming fire,  
O light of truth, resplendent love.  
O come thou sweet redeeming fire.  
Come thou, come thou.

Spark in earthly clay thy pow'r over death,  
over death to life divine.  
Washed now of sin, reborn to glory;  
Seal in holy fire Thy promises.  
Born of flesh, Thy blood atoning, Lamb of God.  
Our risen Lord.

O come thou sweet redeeming fire,  
O light of truth, resplendent love.  
O come thou sweet redeeming fire.  
Grace confirm us, peace attend us.  
Come thou, Holy Spirit, come, come.

Jane Griner

+ + + **The Word of God** + + +

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION Catherine deSalle

Guide us, O Lord, by your Word and Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

FIRST LESSON *Ezekiel 37:1-14 (page 769)*

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SECOND LESSON *Acts 2:1-21 (page 119)*

SERMON *Holy Energy* Bill Levering

+ + + **The Response to the Word** + + +

\*HYMN #315      *Every Time I Feel the Spirit*      Irregular

OFFERING

OFFERTORY      *Hymne (1993)* Charles Moose & Julie Panke  
from *Sinfonietta pour orgue quatre mains*      Denis Bédard

\*DOXOLOGY #592      *Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow*

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**



\*RECESSIONAL HYMN #129      *Come, O Spirit*      Ebenezer

\*CHORAL RESPONSE      *Twofold Amen*      Robert C. Bennett

\*POSTLUDE      *God Is Gone Up (2000)*      Robert J. Powell

\*The congregation may stand.

**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 this congregation who entered eternal rest in previous years about this time:

*Chester Buchanan, Helen Costanzo, Burton Delack, Beverly Fasake,*

*Chi Hua Fong, Frederick Junker, Marie Metcalf, and Virginia Stare.*

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

**First Forum**

**May 27:** Coffee & Conversation

**June 3:** JAC: Implications of the Growing Gap in income equality. Claire Hughes and Bill Levering

### **Jazz Vespers Every Sunday, 5pm**

**Today:** Mike Lamkin, piano

**June 3:** Nat Phipps, piano; Pete Toigo, bass; Tom D'Andrea, drums

### **Summer Post Service Sign-up**

Today weather permitting, Post Service will be served in the Huntley Garden.

### **Johnson Library**

New books on the children's display table! In *The Legend of the Golden Snail*, Wilbur and his cat set out in their boat to the ends of the earth to find the Golden Snail. The author is Graeme Base. A "fancy, frilly ballet story" is told in *Fancy Nancy and the Mermaid Ballet*, by Jane O'Connor. Readers of all ages will enjoy the story of the *Twelve Dancing Princesses*, sumptuously illustrated by K.Y. Craft and written by Marianna Mayer. Hans Christian Anderson's *The Ugly Duckling* is retold and illustrated with watercolors by Jerry Pinckney. On the table inside the library entrance is a display of books about friendship.

As the summer begins, books that have been out longer than one month should be returned to the library. Thank you!

### **Musicians of Ma'alwyck Concert**

Friday, June 1 at 7pm in the Sanctuary  
Musicians of Ma'alwyck presents its final subscription concert of the 2011-2012, *A Musical Travelogue*. Guest artist Kara Cornell, mezzo soprano, a nationally recognized young opera singer who will be performing the title role in *Carmen* this summer with the Opera Theater of Pittsburgh.

Free tickets available to church members, call church office.

### **New Members Class**

On Sunday, June 3 right after worship there will be a new member class in the Dirck Romeyn Room. The session should last an hour and a half.

Childcare is available if folks call the church office a few days beforehand. We will go over the basics of church membership and beliefs. Folks who attend this meeting are not assumed to be joining, so people can come just to check things out. To complete the process of joining, there is a meeting with consistory and a welcome in worship on Sunday, June 24.

### **Open House Celebration**

Sunday, June 3 celebrate Dr. Jeanne Shoulder's new PhD, new job in New Jersey and her many contributions to First Reformed. 4-7pm at Bob and Peggy Ridgway's, 1105 Rosehill Blvd, Niskayuna. Serving burgers (veggie and meat,) hotdogs, ice tea and lemonade. Please bring side dish and/or favorite drink to share. RSVP to Sarah Howes 382-8675 or [sarah\\_howes@msn.com](mailto:sarah_howes@msn.com) by Wednesday, May 30.

### **Open Invitation**

We teachers at A Different Way In Reading Center would like to invite any interested parishioners to our second graduation on Friday, June 8, at 6:30pm in the Poling Chapel. We appreciate what you're doing for us and for our students, and would like to thank you.



## First Reformed Church Honor Roll

### World War I

George Albert Abbe  
Roger O. Ackerman  
Albert V.V. Ball  
Ronald P. Boardman  
J. Scott Button  
Charles G. Briggs  
George A. Brown  
Albert Edward Carmichael  
Harold Bright Chrisler  
Vere Ward Cleminshire  
Garrett Marcellus Clowe  
Harold Lee Clowe  
S. Vedder Clute  
William P. Faust  
William J. Foster, Jr.

Deforest Van Slyck Garnsey  
Lewis H. Gibbs  
Stillman S. Ham  
John W. Hoag  
Pierre Hoag  
Garrett V. Johnson  
Leslie W. Jones  
R. Faust Krueger  
Frank E. Kruesi  
John Kruesi  
Walter E. Kruesi  
Judson Stuart Landon  
Edward P. Lawsing  
Charles G. McMullen  
William McMullen  
Donald W. Moore

William T.B. Mynderse  
Frank Edmund Robinson  
Richard Ravenel Spring  
Karl M. Stoller  
Harman D. Swits  
Jack D. Underhill  
Lance Underhill  
Oliver C. Underhill  
Robert Johnson Van Epps  
Harold Garrett Veeder  
Edward Clifton Vrooman  
Harold V.V. Vrooman  
Alonzo P. Walton, Jr.  
John Wendell  
Howorth Young

### World War II

Sanford L Archer  
Robert A. Aussicker  
Frank D. Barclay, Jr.  
W. Garner Bee II  
William B Biggs  
C. William Bowman  
Suvier Bralley  
Walter Briggs  
Thomas B Case  
Charles F. Clowe  
F. Howard Croninger  
Mary R. Croninger  
John W Eddy  
John H. Faber  
John A. Friday  
John E. Glen  
Romer Good  
Richard Gordon  
Douglas B. Hatmaker  
John Howell  
James N. Howie, Jr.

O.H. Junggren  
Robert Kingsbury  
H. Stetson Kinkaid  
Ralph F. Krueger, Jr.  
James F. Lawsing, Jr.  
C. Beecher Lockwood  
John N. Marcellus, Jr.  
Peter Paul Miller, Jr.  
Richard Moore  
Edward P. Mure  
Henry B. Parker, Jr.  
Jesse Perkins  
Noel F. Phillips  
Clark V. Poling  
Charles Rasher  
Hans M. Rozendaal  
Walter C. Ryon  
Harrison S. Sayre  
John L. Schoolcraft, Jr.  
David G. Schwenker  
Grant Smith

Roy Stratton  
Mills Ten Eyck, Jr.  
Peter Van A Ten Eyck  
Horace S Van Voast, Jr.  
Horace S Van Voast, III  
Kenneth T. Vedder  
Garrett A. Veeder  
David V. Vrooman  
John J. Vrooman, Jr.  
George C. Von Borstel  
Stewart C. Wagoner  
Clark Wemple  
Arthur W. Wheeler  
Arthur W. Wheeler, Jr.  
William McKim White  
Malcolm Wilson, Jr.  
William T Winne  
Frederick A. Wyatt  
John McM. Yates

If you are aware of a church member who has been inadvertently omitted to the list of veterans or who have served their country, please contact the church office so they can be remembered in the future.

	<b>This Sunday</b>	<b>Next Sunday</b>
<b>Counting Deacons</b>	Claire Hughes, Leah Kidwell-Fernandes	Bill Martin, Caroline Welch
<b>Faith Bookshop</b>	Veronica Bartholic	Roberta Blackmer
<b>Flower Delivery</b>	Patricia & Fred Mett, Victoria McGowan & Michael Horan	Roberta & Richard Blackmer
<b>Kinderwyck</b>	Sarah Bachorik, Joanne Bedell	Sarah Bachorik, Linda Stanhope
<b>Liturgist</b>	Stacey Midge	Daniel Carlson
<b>Preacher</b>	Bill Levering	Stacey Midge
<b>Procession Elders</b>	Darwin Brudos, Peggy King, Rob Dickson, Gay Doolittle, Phil Falconer, Del Pierce, William Rochelle, Linda Witkowski	Veronica Bartholic, Mary Jewett, Carol Jones-Assini, Keith Muse, Rob Dickson, Eric Evans, Catherine Lewis, Del Pierce
<b>Reader</b>	Catherine deSalle	Carol Troost
<b>Refreshments</b>	Virginia McDermott, Inge-Lise Pangburn	Mary Jewett
<b>Ushers Offertory Deacons</b>	Earl Wainwright (head usher), Kip Arnold, Joanne Arnold, Philip Youarno, William Faulkner, Louis Acquasanta	Tom Burgoyne, Rachael Cox, Richard Davis, Leah Kidwell- Fernandes, Bill Martin, Caroline Welch, David Bundy, Kimberly Burgoyne

### Calendar for the Week of May 27, 2012

<b>Sunday</b>	9:00 a.m.	Chancel Choir, Choir Room
May 27	10:00 a.m.	Worship, Sanctuary
Pentecost	11:00 a.m.	Post Service, Huntley Garden or Assembly Hall
	5:00 p.m.	Jazz Vespers, Poling Chapel
<b>Monday</b>		Office Closed, Memorial Day
May 28		
<b>Tuesday</b>	10:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer, Dykstra Chapel
May 29		
<b>Wednesday</b>	9:30 a.m.	Discipleship Discussion, Poling Conference Room
May 30		
<b>Thursday</b>	6:00 p.m.	Purls of Wisdom, Mezzanine
May 31	7:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts, Assembly Hall
<b>Friday</b>	7:00 p.m.	Musicians of Ma'alwckk, Sanctuary
June 1		
<b>Sunday</b>	9:00 a.m.	Chancel Choir, Choir Room
June 3	10:00 a.m.	Worship with Communion, Sanctuary
	11:00 a.m.	New Members Class, Dirck Romeyn Room
	11:00 a.m.	Post Service, Huntley Garden or Assembly Hall
	11:15 a.m.	First Forum, Poling Chapel
	5:00 p.m.	Jazz Vespers, Poling Chapel

***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.*



May 27, 2012

***Energy of God  
dynamic, moving  
force  
of nature  
in us***

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