

*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.*

*April 13, 2014*

*First Reformed Church  
8 North Church Street  
Schenectady, New York 12305  
(518) 377-2201  
[www.1stReformed.com](http://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.

### **Non Emergency Number**

Schenectady Police: 518-382-5200

### **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; a baby changing station is in the women's bathroom.

### **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 hearing reinforcement units that will make it easier to hear. Ask an usher.

### **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**

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 on the 2nd floor at the top of the stairs.

### **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 music and crafts.

### **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](http://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.

## Palm Sunday

April 13, 2014

PRELUDE Naphtali Rothrock

*Suite Gothique* Leon Boellmann

I. *Introduction – choral*

II. *Menuet Gothique*

III. *Priere a Notre Dame*

10:00 a.m.

GREETING Stacey Midge

Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. **Hosanna!**

ANNOUNCEMENTS & ORIENTATION

CALL TO WORSHIP Bill Levering

INTROIT *Hosanna to the Son of David*  
Hal Hopson

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN #88  
*All Glory, Laud, and Honor*

\*OUR NEED FOR GOD (*unison*)

Forgive us Lord for our apathy and for our lack of courage to speak up. Forgive us when we walk past and don't help. Forgive us when we get it wrong. We confess that we are afraid and don't want to change in order to be with those who are different. We ask that you would lead us into action: give us strength to be a voice crying for justice and peace and whatever is needed to act justly, love mercy and walk humbly with you.

\*GOD'S FORGIVING LOVE

\*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. **Hosanna!**

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*unison*)

(*adapted from Isaiah 58*)

This is the fast to which we are called: to free those who are wrongly imprisoned and lighten the burden of those who work, to let

the oppressed go free and remove the chains that bind people, to share our food with the hungry and give shelter to the homeless, to give clothes to those who need them, and not hide from those who need our help. Then our salvation will come like the dawn, and our wounds will quickly heal. Then our light will shine out from the darkness, and the darkness around us will be as bright as noon.

\*PASSING THE PEACE

ANTHEM *Look Who's Coming!*

Look who's coming!

Look who's coming through Jerusalem today: It is Jesus Christ, the teacher, spread palm branches on his way.

Sing hosanna, loud hosanna!

Let the joyful song be heard;

Sing hosanna, loud hosanna!

Sound the trumpet, spread the word!

Look who's coming!

Look who's coming through Jerusalem today: It is Jesus Christ, the healer, spread palm branches on his way.

Sing hosanna, loud hosanna!

Let the joyful song be heard;

Sing hosanna, loud hosanna!

Sound the trumpet, spread the word!

Look who's coming!

Look who's coming through Jerusalem today: It is Jesus Christ, the Savior, spread palm branches on his way.

Sing hosanna, loud hosanna!

Let the joyful song be heard;

Sing hosanna, loud hosanna!

Sound the trumpet, spread the word!

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION Jim Miller  
Guide us, O Lord, by your Word and Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

FIRST LESSON Jim Miller  
Guide us, O Lord, by your Word and Holy Spirit. **Amen.** *Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 (pg 565)*

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE *Little Grey Donkey*  
Natalie Sleeth  
Orff Consort/Kirk & Carol Singers  
Samantha Hjelmar, flute  
arr. L. Roe

Little grey donkey, Little grey donkey,  
Little grey donkey, Ho,  
Do you know just who it is you  
carry on your back?  
'Tis no ordinary load,  
no mean or common pack.

You are blessed of all beasts  
to carry into town  
Christ, the Lord of Galilee;  
He wears no earthly crown.

Once you were a simple beast  
Of poor and lowly state.  
Christ Himself hath chosen you  
and honoured is your fate.

Though your path with palms is spread,  
Make haste along the way;  
You were destined here to ride  
on this triumphant day.

Yonder is a grassy hill;  
it's known as Calvary.  
Up against the cloudless sky  
A barren cross you see.

Little grey donkey,  
Little grey mare, don't hide your head in  
shame. For you bear the Lamb of God,  
and Jesus is His name.

SECOND LESSON *Matthew 21:1-11 (pg 23)*

SERMON *The Fear of Enthusiasm*  
Bill Levering

\*HYMN *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna* #89  
Klokken Tower Ringers  
John Norton, piano

MINUTE FOR MISSION

*One Great Hour of Sharing*  
Ellie Rowland

OFFERING

OFFERTORY *How Blest is He Who Comes*  
Alfred Fedak

Let us rejoice in Christ,  
whose Kingdom is at hand!  
he comes to be the Lord of Life  
in ev'ry life and land.

Hosanna in the highest!  
How blest is he who comes!

When, lowly born, he comes,  
for us condemned to die,  
they brought him to Jerusalem  
with this triumphant cry:

Rejoice that now he comes to us  
in those who walk his way,  
to make this stricken world his own,  
And ev'ry day his day.

Then let us yield to him  
the loyalty he claims,  
and never cease to celebrate  
the Name above all names.

Fred Pratt Green

\*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.

\*RECESSIONAL HYMN #91  
*Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!*

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

## 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 FRC & UPC who entered eternal rest in previous years about this time:

*Kouan Fong, Ann W. Matthews, Iris Read, Susan E. Shepherd, Barbara Weber*

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.

### **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 chancel flowers to remember a loved one or to honor a special event. Please inform the office of your wishes. The cost of the flowers is \$30 for the two bouquets. You may send your check payable to Chancel Guild, c/o Marlene Risseeuw, 2140 Niskayuna Dr., Niskayuna, NY 12309.

### **Post Service Refreshments**

Everyone is invited to have refreshments in Assembly Hall right after worship. We are always looking for volunteers to bring in food. It can be cookies, cheese and crackers, fruit, or anything you want. Food should be brought around 9:30am. There is a sign-up sheet in Assembly Hall or fill out a white pew card and place it in the offering plate. If any questions, please contact the church office. **We are in need of 3 volunteers for April 27.**

### **New Member Class**

Interested in a closer relationship with this congregation? Dr. Levering will be leading membership orientation meetings that include a tour of the church and a chat about who we are. It lasts 90 minutes and is held at 3pm on the first Sundays of May and June and October through February.

### **Easter Reception Volunteers**

We are in need of **one or two leaders** for our Easter Sunday reception in Friendship Hall. If you would like to contribute in another way, we are looking for volunteers with set up, cleanup and/or bringing a food item to share. Food items desired are deviled eggs, cheese and crackers, dip and chips, fruit and veggies, and cookies. You can sign up for any of these tasks by calling the church office at 377-2201, by using a white pew card, or by signing up on the bulletin board in Assembly Hall.

### **Easter Flowers**

Each Easter, members of Chancel Guild adorn our church with beautiful Easter Flowers. Your family can contribute to remember a loved one or honor a loved one. Please send your suggested donation of \$20 to Chancel Guild c/o Marlene Risseeuw, 2140 Niskayuna Drive, Niskayuna, NY 12309 **and** contact the Church Office with the name of the person the flowers are in honor or memory of. Even if you have donated in previous years, please place an order for 2014 **by Monday, April 14.**

### **Easter Flowers Delivery Help**

We need volunteers on Easter Sunday, April 20, to deliver Easter flowers to recently-bereaved and home-bound church members. The flowers, an addressed card for each recipient, and a Sunday bulletin will be available for pick up after the service. Members of the Support and Care Committee will be present to assist. Please plan now on participating in this ministry by extending a lovely symbol of God's faithfulness!

### **Faith Bookshop**

All CD's in the Bookshop are on sale today for \$7 plus tax. Other sale items and books chosen specifically for the Lenten are also featured. If you became a member of FRC in 2013 or 2014 be sure to read the bookshop announcement in April's First Things. Browsers welcome!

### **Horizons Bible Study**

The Horizons Bible Study Group meets on Tuesdays at 10am in the Poling Conference room. We are now doing a 6 week Lenten study: *Gospelled Lives: Encounters with Jesus*. Study guides are available at the church office for \$10 each. All are welcome to attend.

### **Forum**

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

**Today:** Union Presbyterian & First Reformed leaders will chat together about how our Joint Witness is going and what the future might hold.

**April 20:** Easter Reception, Friendship Hall

**April 27:** Early Findings & Implementation Strategies on the Community Health Survey. David Pratt, MD, Commissioner, Schenectady County Department of Public Health, Consultant to Ellis Medicine.

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

**Today:** Dave Gleason, piano; Mike Lawrence, bass; Tom D'Andrea, drums; Keith Pray, sax

**April 20:** Peg Delaney, piano; Bill Delaney, bass; Tom D'Andrea, drums; Jim Corigliano, sax

**April 27:** Scott Bassinson, piano; Bill Delaney, bass; Tom D'Andrea, drums; Alex Slomka, trombone.

### **New Writers Group**

A Flash Fiction critique group will meet on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at 7pm in the Walton Conference Room. Flash Fiction is a COMPLETE story, fiction or nonfiction, written in 1,000 words or less. For

more info and signups, contact James Gonda at jamesgonda63@yahoo.com or the church office.

### **Junior & Senior High Youth Groups**

ALL youth in grades 6-12 will meet from 5-7pm on Sunday nights unless otherwise noted, all will meet for dinner, fellowship, service, and learning activities.

**Today:** Regular Meeting

**April 20:** Easter – NO MEETING

**April 27:** Regular Meeting

### **Easter Offering: One Great Hour of Sharing**

Most mainline denominational churches take an offering for basic human needs; both the Presbyterians and the Reformed Church take this offering, occasionally at different times of the year. Both denominations use the money in similar ways to end poverty and help with disasters. This year, our Easter Offering will be the One Great Hour of Sharing and the Presbyterian Church will be administering the gift this year. It goes every year to three efforts: disaster assistance, hunger relief and the self-development of people. These three programs are well administered by our Presbyterian brothers and sisters. Both the RCA and the PCUSA offerings for disaster relief and hunger are usually managed by groups on the ground that are trusted partners in the area of need, so these offerings often end up going to exactly the same places. It is comforting to know that when there is a disaster in some foreign land, we are cooperating as Christians to bring relief in the most efficient way possible. We hope that this year you will be extra generous in your Easter Offering to the One Great Hour of Sharing as a help to human need and as a witness to our cooperation around the world and in our own community.

### **Tuesday Ladies**

Meetings are every third Tuesday of the month in the home of Connie Young. We will meet April 15 to talk and be friends. Hope to see you then.

### **Midweek Vegetarian Dinner**

Beginning April 23 at 6pm our delicious and nutritious plant-based dinners on Wednesdays will resume in Assembly Hall. All are welcome; a sign-up sheet for future meals will be available at the first feast. The worship which follows is optional but certainly fitting and often the destination of diners. Questions regarding the dinner or worship may be directed to Daniel Carlson.

### **Midweek Evening Worship**

Our contemplative service returns to its usual time (7pm) and location (Poling Chapel) beginning Wednesday, April 23. Everyone is welcome to this briefer, quieter, and more reflective gathering at the close of the day in the middle of each week--especially those who long to have their awareness of God's loving presence within them and all creation rekindled. We shall seek to dwell in the mystery and joy of Easter via guitar accompanied songs, guided meditation on scripture, Holy Communion, shared prayers, and God's peace.

### **Prayer Shawl Knitting Group**

We will be meeting on April 24 at 9:30am at the home of Ronnie Bartholic. For questions, contact Ronnie Bartholic 399-7679.

### **Interfaith Dialog April 25**

This year for our interfaith dialog, Congregation Gates of Heaven has invited us to their normal services on Friday, April 25 at 7pm. After the service, Rabbi Cutler and Dr. Levering will have a likely exchange of ideas.

### **Earth Sunday Frolic Along the Mohawk**

Plan on joining our Creation Care Commission (CCC) April 27 for an environmental outing! We'll be picking up trash on the bike-hike trail starting behind Schenectady County Community College (SCCC) as part of the "Canal Clean Sweep" initiative. A nutritious lunch of soup and bread will be shared following worship; we'll leave the church at 11:45 to meet with others at the SCCC trail head at noon. Participants

wanting an event tee shirt should sign up on the CCC bulletin board in Assembly Hall. Work gloves required. Together we'll make a difference in our care for creation!

### **Justice Action Council**

**April 27, 12:15pm-2pm:** *The Health Care Movie and Lasagna for Lunch*

Join the Justice Action Council for the movie and discussion of health care reform. The Healthcare Movie is a serious but entertaining 35 minute film comparing the developments of American and Canadian healthcare. Narrated by Kiefer Sutherland, the documentary explores the health care systems in Canada and the U.S. and considers how the two systems ended up in such different places. In Canada, healthcare is regarded as a human right, treated as a responsibility of the government to be provided to every citizen. In America health care is a profit-making commodity. Discussion will follow led by Richard Propp, MD, Retired Hematologist and Medical Director of the NYS Patient Safety Center, Chair, Capital District Alliance for Universal Healthcare, Inc. Lunch: Lasagna, Salad, Drinks and dessert. For this, a donation of \$5-\$7 per person is suggested. For reservations please call Joe Doolittle 384-1700.

### **Fellowship Luncheon**

Our next luncheon will be on Friday, May 2 at 12 noon in Assembly Hall. Our hostesses will be Ellie Brudos, Ann Hammett, and Connie Young. Speaking will be Jim Salengo. Jim is Executive Director of Downtown Schenectady Improvement Corporation and will be talking about the continuing improvements that are happening in Schenectady. Our luncheon series has been quite successful, with interesting programs, wonderful fellowship, and great food being our winning combination. You can bring a dish to share or just sit back and enjoy; all are welcome, men and women. You may sign up in Assembly Hall or call 346-0304. So, please come and join us, this will be our last luncheon until September, so don't miss out!

### **Annual CROP Walk**

On Sunday, May 4, the annual Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty (CROP) walk will take place at 12:30pm, beginning at Emmanuel Friedens Church and winding 5k through Schenectady. The proceeds support hunger-fighting efforts around the world, with 25% going to local food pantries, Community Crisis Network, and Senior Meals. Want to walk? Get a donation form from the Church Office. Non-walkers can simply drop off their donations at the church office. Checks should be made out to "CWS/CROP." Checks eligible for GE Matching should be made out to SICM. Any questions contact Cathy Lewis.

### **Vale Cemetery Tour**

Join us Sunday, May 4 at 2pm for a tour and lecture of Vale Cemetery/Park led by Laura Linder, Archivist/Registered Historian. We will meet, rain or shine, at the Caretakers House, 907 State St., Schenectady. There is a \$7 donation and children are free. For more information, call 346-0423 or vale@valecemetery.org. **Group V** Our next meeting will be Monday, May 5 at 11:30 am at 1229 Viewmont Drive, Niskayuna. We will be having a Salad Luncheon Picnic. Bring a salad to share. This will be the last meeting of the year. Contact Maria G. Todd to sign up if you are not a member of Group V. All church women are welcome.

### **Wycliffe Bible Translators**

Wycliffe Bible translators are hosting a banquet celebrating their work around the world. If you are interested in attending on May 5 at 7pm, please contact Vernetta Thuener at 355-2543.

### **Art Celebration**

Visit Friendship Hall to see an array of some of the art work... This is an exhibition of some of the art work belonging to our two congregations. Using a variety of media and techniques it is a visual expression of celebration and worship made meaningful by many different artists over the years. So much of this art work has a story to

tell as depicted in the subject of that particular piece. Then there are others that have stories of their own to tell – Where did it come from? Why is it here? How can we best make use of it today? All are part of the story of so many lives of the people of our congregations. It is part of our heritage and reminds us of who we are and why we are a church.

### **Men's Breakfast**

**May 10: 8am** – Presentation by Gene Rowland with a photographic record of his recent trip to Amelia Island FL for the 19<sup>th</sup> Annual *Concours d'Elegance* (Collector Car Show.) Please sign up in Assembly Hall.

### **Group VII**

We will meet Friday, May 16 for "A Surprise Trip." Join us at 10:30am at Scotia Reformed Church for a tour, after we will meet for lunch at Scotia Diner. Contact Ronnie Bartholic with any questions.

### **College Scholarships**

Applications for the Rev. Al Smith Education Scholarship are available through the Church Office. Please submit your completed application to the Church Office by Wednesday, May 15. Questions can be directed to Sara Erickson at 374-4161 or ericksonhs@aol.com

### **Confirmation**

Confirmation is the process by which youth in grades 8 and above learn more about the church and their own faith and decide to commit to being adult members of the church. Bill Levering and Stacey Midge lead the confirmation process, which is a combination of challenges and meetings at noon after the Sunday Forum. You can also see what it's all about online on the church website under Activities >Confirmation. Please let Bill or Stacey know if you intend to participate in this year's Confirmation class.

## Holy Week Through April 20, 2014

### Movie Screening April 16

7pm: "A Place At the Table"

### Maundy Thursday, April 17

7:30pm: Service

### Good Friday, April 18

12pm: Service

### Holy Saturday, April 19

3pm: Musicians of Ma'alwyck

### Easter, April 20

10am: Worship Service

Easter Egg Hunt

5pm: Easter Vespers

### **Movie Screening**

April 16 at **7pm**: *A Place at the Table*

Did you know that over 50 million Americans are food insecure (meaning that they do not know where their next meal will come from), or that hunger affects over 70% of students in Schenectady? This is an eye-opening film about the hunger crisis in the United States.

### **Maundy Thursday Tenebrae April 17**

First Reformed has long celebrated a service of darkening on Maundy Thursday in which the Lord's Supper is celebrated; then a series of readings and a darkening sanctuary create a somber and reflective remembrance of the trials of Jesus. The service begins at **7:30pm**.

### **Good Friday**

At **noon** in our sanctuary gospel readers, intercessors, and the Chancel Choir help lead this service amidst the presence of a rugged cross.

### **Musicians of Ma'alwyck Here Holy Saturday**

Written in 1680, the same year as the founding of the First Reformed Church, Musicians of Ma'alwyck on Saturday, April 19 at **3pm**, will present the gorgeous cantata cycle *Membra Jesu Nostri* of celebrated middle Baroque composer Dietrich Buxtehude. Scored for a small choir of soloists with string and organ accompaniment, this glorious and poignant work is considered the first Lutheran oratorio and depicts the suffering of Christ on the Cross. The Buxtehude performance will be performed with dance interpretation by the acclaimed French contemporary dancer Gwen Chabaud Benolliel who worked with members of the Paris Opera Ballet. The Buxtehude will also feature classic artwork representing the Crucifixion. Two other works are on this program as well, the monumental solo organ piece *Chemin de la Croix* of Dupre and mesmerizing *Chaconne* of Purcell.

### **Easter Sunday**

On Easter Sunday join us for the grand celebration of Easter Joy at **10am** including the *Hallelujah Chorus*.

### **Easter Egg Hunt**

The Church School will be celebrating Easter Sunday with an Egg Hunt (rain or shine.) All children ages 4 yrs – 5<sup>th</sup> grades are invited to participate. Middle school & high school helpers are needed to hide eggs. We will meet in Room 20 at the top of the stairs directly following the Children's Message. Parents can pick up their happy children in Room 20 after the service.

	<b>This Sunday</b>	<b>Next Sunday</b>
<b>Counting Deacons</b>	Victoria McGowan-Horan, Joan Lindsay	Leah Kidwell-Fernandes, Tom Burgoyne
<b>Faith Bookshop</b>	Roberta Blackmer	Bookshop Closed - Easter
<b>Flower Delivery</b>	Palm Sunday, no delivery	Easter Sunday, Many Members!
<b>Greeters</b>	Nancy Davidson	Ron & Jean Lindsay
<b>Kinderwyck</b>		
<b>Liturgists</b>	Stacey Midge	Daniel Carlson
<b>Preacher</b>	Bill Levering	Bill Levering
<b>Processing Elders</b>	Margaret King, Darwin Brudos, Phillip Falconer, Tom Lindsay, Bill Rochelle, Margaret Schadler	Eugene Zeltmann, Barbara Walton, Art Casey, Tom Lindsay, Joe Lovell, Linda Witkowski
<b>Reader</b>	Jim Miller	Barbara Walton
<b>Refreshments</b>	Ellie Rowland	Easter Reception
<b>Ushers</b>	Del Pierce (head usher), David Bundy, Joe Gotwals, Chris Langdon	Bill Clock (head usher), Cathy Allen, Robert Allen, Joe Gallagher, Maurice Robbins

## **First Reformed Church**

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### **THE CONSISTORY**

Bill Levering, Senior Minister  
Daniel Carlson, Associate Minister  
Stacey Midge, Minister of Mission, Outreach, and Youth  
Keith Muse & Mary Jewett, Senior Elders  
Catherine Lewis, Treasurer  
Linnea D'Andrea, Clerk

### **ELDERS**

Veronica Bartholic  
Robert Dickson  
Joyce Griggs  
Mary Jewett  
Margaret King  
Keith Muse  
Katherine Trimarco  
William Ward  
Johnny Willis  
Eugene Zeltmann

### **DEACONS**

Linnea D'Andrea  
Fred Daniels  
Richard Davis  
Gay Doolittle  
Leah Kidwell-Fernandes  
Bill Martin  
Victoria McGowan-Horan  
William Rochelle  
George Trimarco  
Nancy Wainwright

### **COVENANTERS**

Jeremy Bork  
Daniel Eckert

### **CHURCH STAFF**

Naphtali Rothrock, Organist  
Julie Panke, Music Director  
Sarah Bachorik, Director of Kinderwyck  
Jamie Ipsen, Director of Children's Music  
Jamie Ipsen, Director of Children's Ministry  
Judy Moore, Director of Klokken Tower Ringers  
Heather Scribner, Office Administrator  
Linda Malgieri, Assistant Bookkeeper  
Jennifer Anderson, Office Assistant  
Lyn Gordon, Sunday Receptionist  
Gary Nelson, Facility Supervisor  
Diana Wahid, Housekeeper  
Tom Mahan, Sexton

**Sunday, April 13, 2014**

- 10:00 am ..... Worship
- 10:15 am ..... Church School for K-8
- 11:15 am ..... Orff Rehearsal
- 11:20 am ..... Kirk Ringers
- 4:00 pm ..... Youth Orchestra
- 5:00 pm ..... Jazz Vespers
- 5:00 pm ..... JH & HS Youth Group

**Monday, April 14**

- 9:00 am ..... Mens News Group
- 7:00 pm ..... Klokken Ringers

**Tuesday, April 15**

- 10:00 am ..... Morning Prayer
- 10:00 am ..... Horizons Bible Study
- 6:00 pm ..... CRTC

**Wednesday, April 16**

- 9:30 am ..... Kerygma Class
- 7:00 pm ..... Movie Screening

**Maundy Thursday, April 17**

- 7:30 am ..... Breakfast Bible Bunch
- 10:00 am ..... Stitch Group
- 7:30 pm ..... Maundy Thursday Service

**Good Friday, April 18**

- 12:00 pm ..... Good Friday Service

**Holy Saturday, April 19**

- 3:00 pm ..... Musicians of Ma'alwyck

**Easter Sunday, April 20**

- 9:00 am ..... Choir Rehearsal
- 9:15 am ..... High School Choir
- 10:00 am ..... Worship
- 10:15 am ..... Church School for K-8
- 11:15 am ..... Easter Reception
- 4:00 pm ..... Youth Orchestra
- 5:00 pm ..... Jazz Vespers

“You will do foolish things, but do them with enthusiasm.” – Colette

“One of the main reasons that we lose our enthusiasm in life is because we become ungrateful..we let what was once a miracle become common to us. We get so accustomed to goodness it becomes a routine.” – Joel Osteen

“It’s faith in something and enthusiasm for something that makes a life worth living.” – Oliver Wendell Holmes Sr.

“I’m more interested in arousing enthusiasm in kids than in teaching the facts. The facts may change, but that enthusiasm for exploring the world will remain with them the rest of their lives.” – Seymour Simon

“Courage is going from failure without losing enthusiasm.” – Winston Churchill

“Enthusiasm is the electricity of life. How do you get it? You act enthusiastic until you make it a habit.” – Gordon Parks

“I wept because I was re-experiencing the enthusiasm of my childhood; I was once again a child, and nothing in the world could cause me harm.” – Paulo Coelho, The Pilgrimage

“Love springs from the inside. It is the immortal surge of passion, excitement, energy, power, strength, prosperity, recognition, respect, desire, determination, enthusiasm, confidence, courage, and vitality, that nourishes, extends, and protects. It possesses an external objective-life.” – Ogwo David Emenike

“Enthusiasm spells the difference between mediocrity and accomplishment.” – Norman Vincent Peale

“If you want to be enthusiastic, act enthusiastic.” – Dale Carnegie