

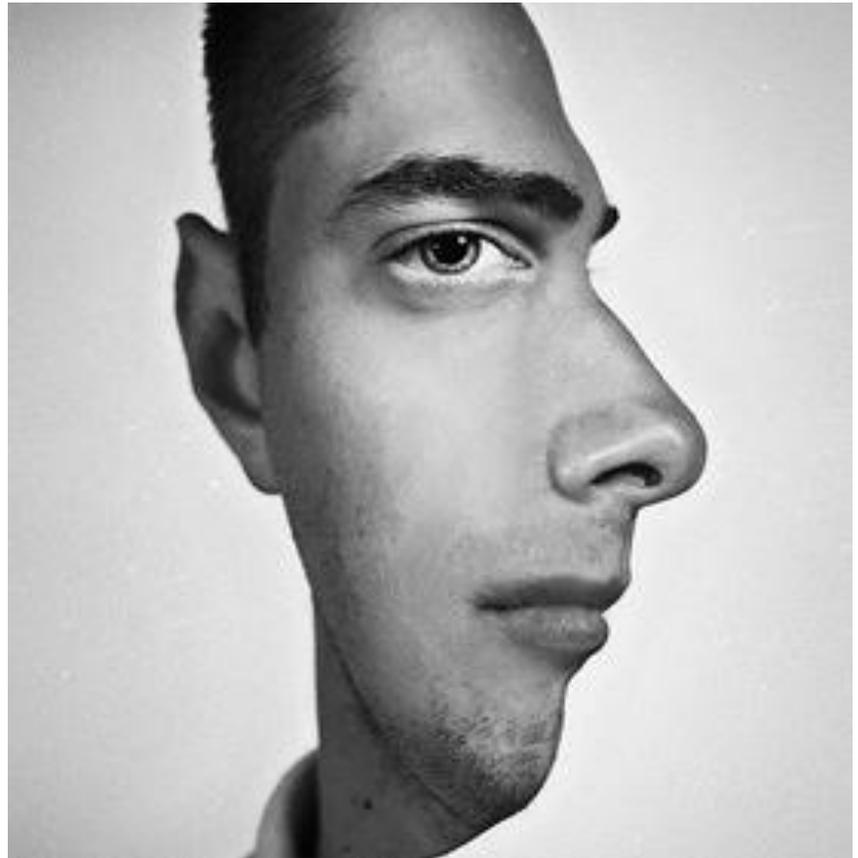
**The Covenant of Our  
Congregation  
Adopted in 1962**

*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.*



Jesus from many angles  
Jesus from many angels

Jesus who was  
Jesus who is  
and Jesus who is to be

What Jesus shall we see?

*May 4, 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 after worship 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 refreshments 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 Basket**

We have a lost and found basket in the Narthex at the Union St. entrance of the church. If you have lost/misplaced an item at church, please check there.

## Third Sunday of Easter

May 4, 2014

\*The congregation may stand.

PRELUDE Eric Marczak, flute  
John Norton, piano/keyboard

*Partita #1 in B-Flat* J.S. Bach

*1. Praeludium*

*The Warrior's Honoring Song* Eric Marczak

*Gnossienne #1* Eric Satie

*The Immigrant Song* arr. Eric Marczak

10:00 a.m.

GREETING Daniel Carlson  
The grace of Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**

### ANNOUNCEMENTS & ORIENTATION

CALL TO WORSHIP Bill Levering

INTROIT *Hallelujah* Zimbabwean

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN #108  
*Christ Is Alive!*

### \*OUR NEED FOR GOD (*unison*)

Loving God, who opens our eyes in the breaking of bread, shatter the shutters of our spiritual sight, that we may discern your presence in common gifts. Break our prejudices and sharpen our senses to see and serve you every day.

### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*unison*)

*Apostle's Creed (RCA, Contemporary)*

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

### \*PASSING THE PEACE

ANTHEM *Eastertide Carol*  
Mainz Gesangbuch  
arr. Richard Proulx

Rise up in early morning;  
Sing of the risen Saviour,  
Sing tidings of salvation with Alleluias ringing,  
in cymbalis in cymbalis benesonantibus,  
in cymbalis benesonantibus.  
(with nice sounding cymbals)

Go forth ye saints, to meet him;  
Light up your lamps of gladness.  
Sing tidings of salvation with Alleluias ringing,  
in cymbalis in cymbalis benesonantibus,  
in cymbalis benesonantibus.  
(with nice sounding cymbals)

FIRST LESSON Mary Jewett  
Guide us, O Lord, by your Word and Holy Spirit. **Amen.** *Revelations 21:5-6 (pg 259)*

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SECOND LESSON *Luke 24:13-35 (pg 90)*

SERMON *Faces of Jesus* Bill Levering

\*HYMN #520  
*Here, O Our Lord, We See You Face to Face*

### OFFERING

OFFERTORY *The River* Garth Brooks

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

### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

### SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

## INVITATION

### COMMUNION PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

**And with your spirit.**

Lift up your hearts.

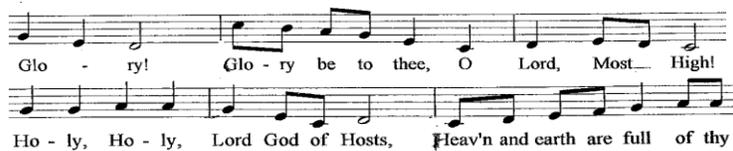
**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give God thanks and praise!**

### SANCTUS (*sung in unison*)

Carl Steubing



## COMMUNION

### 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 #302  
*I Danced in the Morning*

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL RESPONSE *Twofold Amen*  
Dale Wood

### 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:

*Elizabeth Paine, Lloyd Johnston, Albert Zink*

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 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 Risseuw, 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 May 11.**

**Music Note:** Eric Marczak's "Warriors Honoring Song" and "Immigrant Song" are featured tracks on his CD, *Dragonflydays*, available for purchase at the Faith Bookshop. There is an information sheet of historical notes on J.S. Bach/ Eric Satie /Schenectady/and FRC. Sheets are available at the piano for your perusal.

### Entered Into Eternal Rest

Barbara Cockerman on April 28, 2014  
Services are today at 2pm  
at Jones Funeral Home.

### **Prospective Member Class Today**

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.

### **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:** Modeling the Gospel through Fowler Camp and Retreat Center; Rev. Kent Busman, Director

**May 11:** Mother's Day – Stories of Our Mothers – A Story Swap of Stories & Remembrances of our Mothers – led and facilitated by Joe Doolittle

**May 18:** Annual Congregational Picnic – Forum around the outside tables!

### **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:** CROP Walk! No meeting

**May 11:** Regular Meeting

**May 18:** End of Year Party 5pm

### **Horizons Bible Study**

The Horizons Bible Study Group meets on Tuesdays at 10am in the Poling Conference room. April 1 we began a 6 week Lenten study: *Gospelized Lives: Encounters with Jesus*. May 6 will be the last group for the summer.

### **Faith Bookshop**

Remember, there is a \$15 gift certificate in the Bookshop for anyone who joined FRC during this year or last. Come to the Bookshop desk to receive it.

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

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

**May 11:** Azzaam Hameed, piano; Pete Toigo, bass; Tom D'Andrea, drums

**May 18:** David Gleason, piano; Mike Lawrence, bass; Tom D'Andrea, drums

### **Annual CROP Walk**

Today 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 today 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](mailto:vale@valecemetery.org).

### **Group V**

Our next meeting will be Monday, May 5 at 11am 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, so come and join us. 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.

### **Stephen Minister's Monthly Meeting**

Thursday, May 8, 7-9pm, all active Stephen Ministers will gather in the Dirck Romeyn Room for continuing education followed by small group peer supervision.

### **Final Midweek Evening Meal & Worship**

This is the last Wednesday this school year that we'll gather at 6pm in Assembly Hall to share a delicious, plant-based feast of soup, salad, and something sweet. Then all are welcome to our contemplative service at 7pm in Poling Chapel, which includes a guitar prelude, gentle singing, guided reflection on Scripture, Holy Communion, and shared prayers through which we seek to rekindle awareness of God's loving presence within us and all creation.

### **Lights. Camera. Jesus!**

Does there come a point when a life is no longer worth living? Who gets to decide that? Winner of the 2011 Sundance Film Festival U.S.

Documentary Grand Jury Award, *How to Die in Oregon* explores the state's historic and controversial Death with Dignity Act, which legalizes physician aid-in-dying for some terminally ill patients. Join us on Tuesday, May 6 in the Dirck Romeyn Lounge along with a box of tissues, an open mind, and all your hard questions. Because the film runtime is 1 hour and 48 minutes, **we'll begin at 6:30** instead of 7. As always, all older teens and up are welcome.

### **Loyalty and Loss May 9**

Meet, Listen, and talk with Lynn Japinga, Professor at Hope College and author of "Loyalty and Loss: The Reformed Church in America, 1945-1994," a fascinating book about the post WWII history of the RCA. Want to learn more about our small but diverse denomination? Come hear Lynn speak at the Niskayuna Reformed Church on May 9 at 5pm. RSVP to the Regional Synod of Albany by calling Trudi Thun at 374-4573 or email thun.trudi@gmail.com

### **Men's Breakfast**

**May 10 at 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.

### **Capital Community Voices Spring Concert**

Capital Community Voices, directed by Julie Panke, will present "Frontier Fantasies" on Saturday, May 10 at 7:30pm at Genet Elementary School, Rt 4, East Greenbush, NY. Folk and popular songs exploring the frontiers of the American West, space, the sea, and love and romance will highlight the program. Selections will include "Buffalo Gals," "Fly Me to the Moon," "Under the Sea," "Lover Come Back to Me," and "The Shadow of Your Smile." The chorus will be accompanied by pianist John Norton, bassist Tony Riccobono, and percussionist Leonard Tobler. A reception will follow the concert. Ticket prices are \$10 general admission and \$8 for seniors and students.

### **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.

### **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.

### **Youth Lead Worship May 18**

The youth of the church are taking over! The youth will be doing the readings, prayers, and music that morning, and our graduating seniors will be celebrated at the service. Please plan to attend and support our youth.

### **Church Picnic, May 18**

After worship come and join the fun at the annual spring picnic sponsored by the Youth Education and Nurture Committee. We will provide burgers, veggie burgers, hotdogs, and beverages for all. Please bring a side dish, dessert, or snack to share. In addition to food and conversation, games will be available for the children. Bring a friend to share in the fun! See you there!

### **Tuesday Ladies**

Meetings are every third Tuesday of the month in the home of Connie Young. We will meet May 20 at 7pm. Hope to see you then.

### **Prayer Shawl Knitting Group**

We will be meeting May 22 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.

### **Central College Choir**

The Central College A Cappella Choir from Pella, Iowa will present a concert on Friday, May 23 at 7:30pm in the Sanctuary. The choir is an auditioned 60-voice ensemble in its 82<sup>nd</sup> year. Their eclectic repertoire ranges from Renaissance to Modern 21<sup>st</sup> Century music and there will be two selections presented jointly by the choir and area RCA church choir members. The concert is free but donations will be accepted. Please join us for a festive and spirit-filled evening of choral music.

**We are in great need** of families or individuals that can host two or more choir members overnight on Friday evening the 23. If you are able to be a host please contact Julie Panke, Director of Music at kirkechor@earthlink.net or 370-5434. A sign-up sheet will also be available in Assembly Hall.

### **Susan Hale in Concert May 30**

Susan Hale will be giving an eclectic concert celebrating the Easter season on May 30 at 8pm in our Sanctuary. Admission is free and all are invited.

### **Stitch Group**

Our stitch group generally meets every Thursday at 10am in the Poling Conference room, please be advised, the stitch group will **NOT** be meeting again until Thursday, September 4, 2014 at 10am.

### **At Camp Fowler**

Registration is now open for summer camp 2014! Campers are students in grades 3-12; Fowler also offers a family camp where children of all ages and parents can experience camp together. Volunteers are also needed as cabin counselors and kitchen and maintenance staff. You can find more information on the website at campfowler.org or by contacting Stacey Midge (377-2201), who will be spending the week as chaplain for the senior high campers.

### **SICM Book Collection**

Wanted: New or used books for kids 18 and under. Please donate age-appropriate fiction and non-fiction books to enhance SICM's Summer Lunch Program 2014. In addition to feeding thousands of hungry children, the 9-week program provides recreational and educational activities at parks throughout Schenectady. Books can be placed in the bin in the Narthex and will be collected until the program begins. If you have any questions, you can call Karen Gonda at 607-725-4521 or email gonda6@aol.com.

### **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 make the best 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.

### **Patty's Place**

This drop-in center is open and providing a safe, warm place for sex workers to find resources so that they can make safer choices now, and have the referrals and support to leave prostitution when they are ready. Those who are interested in volunteering or donating to this ministry should contact Stacey Midge. Volunteers are needed to staff the center from 7-10pm on Wednesday nights. Contact Stacey Midge if you are interested. Patty's Place also accepts donations of supplies and money. Supplies currently needed include: individual sized shampoo and conditioner, soap, lotion, toothpaste, toothbrushes, ready to eat food items such as soup and microwave popcorn, chocolate, cans of soda (Diet Coke is in high demand,) NEW women's socks, underwear, bras, shorts, and T-shirts. Donations can be left in Stacey's office after church or during normal office hours. Financial contributions should be made out to SICM, with Patty's Place in the memo line. Thank you for your support!

### **Kinderwyck**

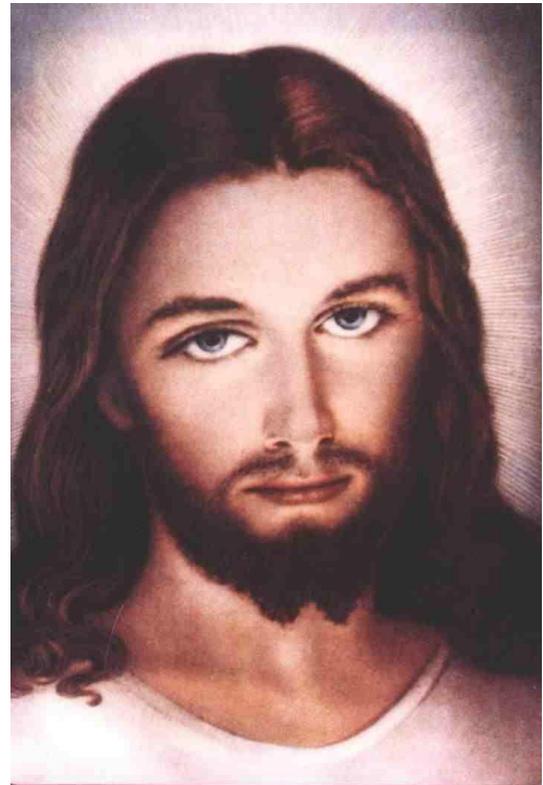
We are looking for helping hands and arms to play with toddlers and rock babies from 9:50-noon each Sunday. Please call the church office if you are willing and able to help with this vital ministry.

### **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.

### **Summer Refreshments**

Beginning June 1, whenever possible, our post service refreshments will be served in the Huntley Garden. Please consider signing up for set-up, refreshments, and clean-up by yourself or with a friend. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in Assembly Hall along with a sheet on "how to" suggestions. Please read these instructions prior to signing up as it is very important in that the set-up and clean-up is done differently. Any questions, please contact the church office at 377-2201.



	<b>This Sunday</b>	<b>Next Sunday</b>
<b>Counting Deacons</b>	Kim Burgoyne, Caroline Welch	Darwin Brudos, Claire Hughes
<b>Faith Bookshop</b>	Roberta Blackmer	Virginia Laumeister
<b>Flower Delivery</b>	Hendrick & Joanne Arnold	Daniel Ertel
<b>Greeters</b>	Ellie & Darwin Brudos	Ellie & Darwin Brudos
<b>Kinderwyk</b>	Sarah Bachorik	Sarah Bachorik
<b>Liturgist</b>	Daniel Carlson	Daniel Carlson
<b>Preacher</b>	Bill Levering	Bill Levering
<b>Processing Elders</b>	Robert Dickson, Mary Jewett, Don Leach, Marilyn Leach, Jeanette Davidson, George Davidson, Phil Falconer, Linda Witkowski	Robert Dickson, Margaret King, Roberta Blackmer, Ron Lindsay, Jean Lindsay, Margaret Schadler
<b>Reader</b>	Mary Jewett	Jim Miller
<b>Refreshments</b>	Lorraine Aumic, Amanda Bogatka	Please Sign Up!
<b>Offertory Deacons/Ushers</b>	Richard Davis, Gay Doolittle, Bill Martin, Victoria McGowan-Horan, Nancy Wainwright, Doug Todd	Earl Wainwright (head usher,) Hendrick Arnold, Joanne Arnold, Richard Davis, Adam Kerwin, Philip Yourno, George Davidson

## **Sunday, May 4**

- 10:00 am ..... Worship with Communion
- 10:15 am ..... Church School for K-2
- 10:20 am ..... Carol Choir
- 11:15 am ..... Forum
- 11:15 am ..... Orff Rehearsal
- 11:20 am ..... Kirk Ringers
- 12:30 pm ..... CROP Walk!
- 3:00 pm ..... New Members Class
- 4:00 pm ..... Youth Orchestra
- 5:00 pm ..... Jazz Vespers

## **Monday, May 5**

- 9:00am ..... Mens Newsgroup
- 7:00pm ..... Klokken Ringers

## **Tuesday, May 6**

- 10:00 am ..... Morning Prayer
- 10:00 am ..... Horizon Bible Study
- 6:00 pm ..... CRTC
- 6:30 pm ..... Lights. Camera. Jesus!

## **Wednesday, May 7**

- 6:00 pm ..... Midweek Vegetarian Dinner
- 7:00 pm ..... Midweek Evening Worship

## **Thursday, May 8**

- 7:30 am ..... Breakfast Bible Bunch
- 6:45 pm ..... Yoga
- 7:00 pm ..... Stephen Ministry
- 7:30 pm ..... Chancel Choir

## **Sunday, May 11**

- 9:00 am ..... Choir Rehearsal-Sanctuary
- 9:15 am ..... High School Choir
- 9:30 am ..... Choir Rehearsal-Poling Chapel
- 10:00 am ..... Worship
- 10:15 am ..... Church School for K-8
- 10:20 am ..... Carol Choir
- 11:15 am ..... Forum
- 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

“The problem then with Jesus is that he cannot be removed from his time and transplanted into our own without simply creating him anew.” – Bart D. Ehrman, *Did Jesus Exist?: The Historical Argument for Jesus of Nazareth*

“Reality is not a function of the event as event, but of the relationship of that event to past, and future, events.” – Robert Penn Warren, *All the King’s Men*

“Agriculture must mediate between nature and the human community, with ties and obligations in both directions. To farm well requires and elaborate courtesy toward all creatures, animate and inanimate. It is sympathy that most appropriately enlarges the context of human work. Contexts become wrong by being too small – too small, that is, to contain the scientist of the farmer or the farm family or the local ecosystem or the local community – and this is crucial.” – Wendell Berry, *Bringing it to the Table: Writings on Farming and Food*

“Wisdom is intelligence is context.” – Raheel Farooq

“When people don’t travel to places different from those they inhabit in their routines they become habituated to the actualities of their worlds. They see things as one, knowing what they see is true. Nothing in their experience has the possibility of exposing the frailty of their illusions, of self, of world, of morality and each other.” – Jeffrey Panzer, *Epoch Awakening*

“When students learn to wrestle with questions about purpose, audience, and genre, they develop a conceptual view of writing that has lifelong usefulness in any communicative context.” – John C. Bean, *Engaging Ideas: The Professor’s Guide to Integrating Writing, Critical Thinking, and Active Learning in the Classroom*

## **First Reformed Church**

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

### **THE CONSISTORY**

#### **MINISTERS**

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

#### **OFFICERS**

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

#### **COVENANTER**

Jeremy Bork

#### **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

## Nominations

The Nominating Committee of First Reformed Church is charged to nominate Elders and Deacons to serve two-year Consistory terms. The Committee begins its work soliciting recommendations from the congregation for Elder and Deacon Candidates. Those being recommended and those making recommendations must be members of First Reformed Church. Candidates for Consistory should be representative of the congregation, have vision, leadership skills, and be active participants in the worship and activities of this church.

Elders and Deacons together with the Ministers form the Consistory, which is the governing body of this congregation. Elders exercise particular concern for the interior life and programs of the church (Worship, Fellowship, Education, and Congregational Care). Deacons exercise particular concern for the outreach of the church (Mission and Benevolence, Finance, Justice Advocacy, and Historical Concerns). Elders and Deacons will be elected at the annual meeting of the congregation on **June 1, 2014**.

The names of recommended candidates for Elder and Deacon may be submitted on this form delivered to the church office or given to any member of the Committee: Bill Ward, Bill Brooks, Peggy King, Carol Troost; Senior Elders: Keith Muse, Mary Jewett; Ministers: Bill Levering, Daniel Carlson, or Stacey Midge. The Nominating Committee would appreciate your response as soon as possible.

I recommend that the Nominating Committee consider the following members for nomination as Elder or Deacon.

### ELDER

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### DEACON

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