

"You will be my witnesses in Jerusalem ... and to the ends of the earth." Acts 1:8



All Saints - Memorial Sunday
November 6, 2022

WE PREPARE OUR HEARTS FOR WORSHIP

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

The Prelude

EIN FESTE BURG Martin Luther
setting by Robert A. Hobby

WE APPROACH OUR GOD

The Welcome

*The Hymn of Praise

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

Isaac Watts, ST. ANNE, William Croft

*The Call to Worship

Leader: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

People: Who made heaven and earth.

Leader: In life and in death we belong to God.

People: Baptized into Christ's death, we live for Him.

Leader: Come, let us worship God.

*The Song of Praise

How Can I Keep from Singing

Chris Tomlin, Matt Redman, Ed Cash

*The Greeting

The Prayer of Confession (*spoken together*)

Eternal God, in every age You have raised up men and women to live and die in faith. We confess that we are indifferent to Your will. You call us to proclaim Your name, but we are silent. You call us to do what is just, but we remain idle. You call us to live faithfully, but we are afraid. In Your mercy, forgive us. Give us courage to follow in Your way, that joined with those from ages past, who have served You with faith, hope, and love, we may inherit the kingdom You promised in Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Assurance of Forgiveness

from Romans 14

Leader: Hear the good news: We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's.

People: For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that He might be Lord of both the living and the dead. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord;

People: His steadfast love endures forever.

*The Song of Assurance

How Sweet the Sound

Ben Calhoun, Josh Calhoun

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

The Prayer for Illumination

The Scripture Lesson

Luke 20:27-38

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Message **“Navigating a New World”**

The Anthem *Arise, My Soul, Arise* Charles Wesley, CHODAN, Dan Forrest

The Recognition of the Saints
 The Memorial Prayer
 *The Hymn of Gratitude ***For All the Saints*** William How, Ralph Vaughan Williams

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S GOODNESS

The Offering of Our Tithes and Gifts
 The Offertory Prayer
 The Offertory *Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken* Franz Joseph Haydn AUSTRIA
 arr. Catherine McMichael
(Please sign and pass the friendship registers.)

The Mission Update Pine Ridge Service Trip Recap

The News of the Church Alive

*The Sending Song ***O Church Arise*** Keith & Kristyn Getty, Stuart Townend, Chris Tomlin

*The Benediction

*The Postlude *For All the Saints* SINE NOMINE, arr. Hal H. Hopson

*All who are able, please stand

Worship Leaders: Preaching – Pastor Bud Pratt; Liturgist – Pastor Melanie Kilgore; Organist – Patty Pratt; Violin, Viola – Mal & Marilyn Brannen; Chancel Choir; Praise Team

Please follow our church social media pages:

Instagram: frcgrandville
 Facebook: First Reformed Church

Stewardship Update:

Oct. 30 Collection Plate	\$ 9,133.00
Online Giving:	<u>\$ 5,322.00</u>
Total Offering:	\$ 14,455.00

Budget update through September 30, 2022:

Total Givings:	\$606,447.00
Total Expenses:	<u>\$611,956.00</u>
	- \$ 5,509.00

Average weekly offering needed
 to make 2022 budget \$ 18,258.00
 2022 Annual budget \$949,429.00

Text to Give - 616-208-4301

TODAY at FRC

Welcome to First Reformed Church in Grandville. If you are visiting, a warm welcome to you. Our prayer is that this worship service will usher you to the throne of grace. Pastor Bud Pratt brings the morning message. If you are searching for a church home and would like more information about First Reformed Church, please stop at the Welcome Desk near the main entrance. We would love to meet you. Please join us for coffee time following the service in the room to your left.

Pastor Melanie started working in the office this week and is looking forward to learning more about the church and is scheduling meetings to get to know people. If you would like to meet with Melanie and share some of your insights on church (worship, mission, discipleship, or anything!), sign up for a meeting time at the Sign Up Center or contact Melanie in the office if none of those times work for you.

Sunday Children's Programming Schedule:

Nursery (birth – 3 year olds) - can be dropped off in the nursery when you arrive and picked up after the worship service. Nursery will also be available during adult Sunday school if you plan to attend.

Children in Worship (ages 3 years – Kindergarten) can be dropped off in room #113 South when you arrive and picked up after the worship service.

Sunday school (Nursery-5th Grade) 10:45-11:45am

- Birth – 3year olds meet in the Nursery
- 3 year olds – PreK meet in room #113 South
- Kindergarten – 3rd grade meet in the downstairs assembly room
- 4th & 5th grades meet in room #113 north

Middle School (6th - 8th grades) & **High School** (9th - 12th grades) **Sunday School** meets in the Youth Lounge following worship.

Middle School youth group (6th-8th grades) from 4:00-5:30pm in the Youth Gym. Snacks provided. Contact Jon Hull – jon@firstgrandville.org or 517-803-5686 for further information.

High School youth group (9th-12th grades) from 6:30pm - 8:00pm in the Youth Gym. Contact Jon Hull – jon@firstgrandville.org or 517-803-5686 for further information.

LOOKING AHEAD

Handbell choir – Tuesday, 5:15pm

Praise Team – Wednesday, 5:30pm

Chancel Choir – Wednesday at 6:30pm

Cran Hill Camping Weekend 2023 - Now is the time again to start planning for next summer's church campout at Cran Hill Ranch. The dates are Friday, July 14 – Sunday, July 16, 2023. There is a signup sheet at the signup center for you to sign up or you can email me (Cheryl DeVries) at youravoncheryl@gmail.com to let me know you are interested.

FOCUS meets on Wednesdays beginning at 5:30pm with a meal followed by programming for grades Kindergarten – 5th grade. This week they will be serving chicken enchiladas.

Pig-in-the-blankets – This is the last day to put in your order! The cost is \$12 per package of 6. They will be available for pick up Thursday, November 10 from noon – 1:00, and after worship on Sunday, November 13. Please place your order on the form at the sign up center.

Women in the Word - meets on Wednesday mornings from 9:30 -11:00am in the upstairs adult education room. This fall we turn our attention to the book of Hebrews. Books will be available for \$10. If anyone needs an alternative form of the book we would be happy to assist. Marilyn Stelma – 616-450-6008.

Men's Bible Study - will meet every second and fourth Thursday of each month at 2:30pm. We meet at Marge's Donut Den at 1751 28th. St. SW. David Bast will discuss the book which he authored on the Psalms. Mark Davis will lead the discussion on some of the Psalms not covered in David Bast's book.

MegaMen Bible study - meets every Wednesday at 6:00am in the Youth Lounge. If you would enjoy fellowship with other men that dig into the Word, come join us. Contact Dave Lidgard – dlidgard@hpseagles.net or Bob Stelma - mstelmau78@yahoo.com if you have questions.

Urbana 2022 - Urbana Missions Conference is happening this December 28-31 in Indianapolis, Indiana. For high school seniors, college students, and grad students. Cost is \$615 for students and \$715 for non-students. Support is available from Missions Endowment Fund for students. Contact Kin Ma (makinm67@gmail.com), Jon Hull (jon@firstgrandville.org), or Jeff Watson (jeffw@firstgrandville.org) for more information.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Pastor Melanie Kilgore will be installed on Sunday, November 20 at 3:00pm.
- Help is needed for Christmas decor on Friday, November 25 at 9:30am.
- Advent Festival, November 27, 4:00-6:30pm. More details to come.
- Celebrate with Pastor Bud and Patty on December 18. Details to come.
- Sunday, Christmas Day, we will worship at 10:00am. **Note the time change.**

YOUTH MINISTRIES

Grandville High School Young Life – Monday, November 7, at 7:27pm. . Contact Jon Hull – jon@firstgrandville.org or 517-803-5686 for location.

Grandville Middle School WyldLife – November 8 at 7:27pm at the Kleinheksel's – 3590 Apache Ct.

Youth Mission Trip fundraiser:

Pop can drive - There will be a labeled trash can in the Youth Lounge all year for you to drop off your empty cans.

OPPORTUNITIES TO GIVE OR SERVE

Thanksgiving Food Collection for the Domestic Crisis Center: For the entire month of November, we will be collecting non-perishable foods, toiletries, diapers of every size, and household items for the Domestic Crisis Center in Grand Rapids. As the "month of Thanksgiving" unfolds, our front steps will grow with your generosity. Please place these items on the front steps of the sanctuary beginning November 6 through Thanksgiving Day when we will gather (10:00 AM) to give thanks to God for His abundance in our lives. Consistory members will be available following each service to help you unload your cars if you so desire. We will also hold a drive through food drop-off event on the Friday after Thanksgiving (11-25-22) from 9:00 AM until 10:30 AM where church members will be available to unload your cars and pack the bus for the journey to the DCC.

Venezuelan Trip and Home Visit: Pastor Jose Rivas will be traveling to Venezuela on November 29 for 6 days to visit his family and bring much needed supplies. Jose's mom has not been in good health, recently diagnosed with high blood pressure in addition to her cancer battle. First Church would like to send some of these things: we have enough hygiene items but are in need of medicines for kids and adults (ie., vitamins, ibuprofen, Tylenol, cold medicine, allergy medicine, etc.), clothing for boys and girls ages 8 to 12, shoes sizes 6,7,8,9 for boys and girls, for adults, 10,11,12. In Venezuela these things are very expensive, (where the basic salary is \$10 per month). There is a box with the Venezuelan flag in the Narthex for these items. Thank you in advance!

Food pantry needs – crackers, cereal/oatmeal, canned meats, Jello, pudding, canned tomatoes, spaghetti sauce, spaghetti noodles, canned beef stew, canned pasta (SpaghettiO's), rice, stuffing, boxed potatoes, hamburger or tuna helper. Please leave donations in the cart in the Activity Center.

Hand2hand – We delivered for the first time this past week to 35 kids at Century Park Learning Center. With the holiday breaks coming up we will be sending them home with a little extra food. Along with the other items we need we would like to include a box of pancake mix, small size syrup, 16 oz. peanut butter. Items needed are: popcorn packets, trail mix, pudding snack packs, granola bars, fruit snacks, applesauce/fruit cups, crackers, pretzels, goldfish crackers, any bagged snack, meat sticks, instant oatmeal, cereal, instant mac 'n cheese, soup, canned pasta, yogurt pouches. These items need to be in individual packets There is a box in the narthex to place your donations. Thank you!

Greeters – We are looking for two families every Sunday to greet at the north and south ends of the narthex. If you would be willing to sign up for 1 or more Sundays please sign up at the sign up center.

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Joyce Ferris	83 on the 2 nd	Helen Dertien	93 on the 27 th
Chuck Porte	86 on the 11 th	Pat Marcusse	91 on the 29 th
Gerald Brouwer	86 on the 22 nd	Bob Brouwer	80 on the 30 th

THANK YOU...

...to those who remembered me with cards and those that came to my 80th birthday party. **Shirley Schuitman**

FIRST REFORMED CHURCH PRAYERS & CONCERNS

For prayer updates during the week, please call the **Prayer Line** – 534-0113

We extend prayers of healing & comfort for:

- **Curt Stoel**, at home under the care of hospice.
- **Ev Lindhout**, at Blodgett after a fall.
- **Mike Longcore**, recovering from back surgery.
- **Bob Verburg**, at Mission Point for rehab.
- **Joyce VanderMarkt**, continues to work on rehab and determine next steps.
- **Sheryl See**, home recovering from a stroke.
- **Ron See**, continues to recover at home.
- **Adrian Donze** (Scott Donze's dad), had a major stroke with a brain bleed and is at Metro Hospital.
- **Carmen Rivas** (Jose's mom), is struggling with hypertension and a cancer battle.
- **Beverly VanDuinen** (Jeff's mom), is under the care of hospice.
- **Arvin Bleyenbergh** (Lila VacaGuzman's dad), who is going through chemo for an aggressive cancer.
- Pray for the people of **Ukraine**.
- Pray for anyone affected in any way by **the Corona virus**.
- **Continued prayers for: Jeff Muller, Joelle Smith, Wayne Veneklasen, Maria Oskam, Terry Jolink, Joyce VanderMarkt, Doug Hunderman, Don Ferris, Lois Morehouse, Roy DeJonge, Don Alderink, Karin Dykstra, Sydney & Ellie Hollen, Bob Waters, Kathy VanRiper.**

Please keep all our military troops in your prayers, especially:

- **Jeremy Stegehuis, Jeff Shuck & Tony Shuck** (Betty Isenga's grandsons), **Edward Peter Tolhurst** (Pat Bird's nephew), **Ben Westrick, Ben DeRuyter** (Jack and Jackie's grandson)

Please keep in your hearts and minds:

- **Our Family at Home members** – Eloise Anderson, Crystal Baum, Mary Lou Besteman, Norma Boss, Dorothy Cook, Helen Dertien, Marilyn DeVree, Karin Dykstra, Arlene Jacobitz, Ev Lindhout, Pat Marcusse, Kay Mekkes, Bob & Lois Morehouse, Janet Pofahl, Art Tusch, Bob Verburg, Trudie Wierda, Mary Zomerlei
FAH Birthday – November 27 – Helen Dertien, Sunset Manor, 725 Baldwin St., #2046, Jenison, MI 49428
November 29 – Pat Marcusse - Lakeside Vista, 340 W. 40th St., Holland, MI 49423

In case of an emergency and no one is at church you may call Pastors Bud Pratt - 708-302-5645, Jeff Watson – 616-250-7148, Matt Cook - 616-893-4189 or consistory vice president Bob Stelma - 616-822-3859, or any of the other elders.