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We welcome into the full life and ministry of the church all people, regardless of ability, age, education, ethnicity, family or marital status, gender identity or expression, income, nationality, political affiliation, race, sexual orientation, or any other distinction. At the baptismal font and at the communion table, from the nursery cribs to the church leadership, whether you were raised in a church or have never, before attended one, you are welcome here.



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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday,

9-1 Walk-ins Welcome 1 – 1:30 Closed for Lunch

1:30 – 5 Please call ahead or make an appointment

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Come, Christians, Join to Sing





July 10, 2022 The Worship of God Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

*Please stand as you are able

Prelude Here I Am, Lord (arr. Marianne Kim) Christopher Kiser

*Chiming of the Hour

Introit Ellen Peterson

Welcome Rev. Horton

*Call to Worship Dave Fulton

L: Sometimes it seems as though God is far away.

P: There is so much trouble in the world.

L: We look to the heavens and wonder why God doesn't deal more strictly with the wicked and

more compassionately with the innocent.

P: We are overwhelmed with the needs of others.

L: Come, let us turn to the Lord, whose very heart is compassion and hope.

P: Let us be partners in caring for all who are in need. AMEN

*HYMN Come, Christians, Join to Sing

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*Invocation Dave Fulton

Scripture Luke 10:25-37 Jeremy, Keri, Ethan, and Kyndell Lovell

Unison Prayer of Confession

O Holy God,

We come in confession for our lack of love.

We have neither loved ourselves nor our neighbors.

We have passed by suffering and misfortune

because of fear or busyness or preoccupation.

We have help prejudices against people

as deep as those against the Samaritans.

Heal our pains, amend our faults,

and guide us in ways of danger and compassion, for we pray in the name of Jesus,

our most beloved neighbor,

da most beloved neighbor,

who cared for us even to the cross. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

***Hymn** We are Marching in the light of God

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Young Disciples Rev. Evan Sieges

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Horton

Piano Solo His Eye is on the Sparrow (arr. Fave Lopez) Christopher Kiser

Scripture Reading Amos 7:7-17 Rev. Horton

⁷ This is what the LORD showed me: The LORD was standing by a wall, with a plumb line in his hand. ⁸ The LORD said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" "A plumb line," I said. Then the LORD said, "See, I am setting a plumb line in the middle of my people Israel. I will never again forgive them. ⁹ The shrines of Isaac will be made desolate, and the holy places of Israel will be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword."

Sermon On the Edges of our Faith: In Need of Vision Rev. Horton

The Call to Give and to Serve

Rev. Horton

If you would like to support the ministries of First Reformed, you'll find offering plates in the narthex or you can give online at www.frucc.org/give.

*Prayer of Dedication

Dave Fulton

Doxology LASST UNSERFREUEN

Praise God from whom all blessings flow!
Praise God all creatures here below!
O praise God! Alleluia!
Praise, Holy Spirit, Comforter,
One God Triune whom we adore.
O praise God, O praise God, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Benediction Rev. Horton

Postlude Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing (arr. Jason Payne)

Christopher Kiser

~ Please stay seated for a time of reflection as the worship service concludes ~



Photo:

At the United Nations
Headquarters in New York, a
plumb line is at the center of a
mural on the outside of the
Security Council meeting room.

Credit: Peter Bynum

We are Marching in the Light of God



Additional stanzas

We are dancing...

We are praying...

We are singing...

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Two Opportunities for Community Outreach this Week
Y on Wheels and Cut, Curls, and Chow

WEEKLY CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday 7/10 Sunday Worship
9:30am Adult Sunday School
10:30am Worship Service
6:00pm Youth Group

Monday, 7/11

6:00pm Clothing Ministry open during Open Hands Ministry (St. Stephen)

7:00pm NAMI Family Support Group (online)

Tuesday, 7/12

12:00pm Crucial Conversations on Faith and Race

2CFAR (online)

7:00pm Adult Book Study (online)

His Truth is Marching On by Jon Meacham

Wednesday, 7/13

11am-1pm Y on Wheels

Thursday, 7/14

4-6:00pm Clothing Ministry Workday-Basement

Friday, 7/15

9am-1pm Cut, Curls, and Chow

Salvation Army on 9th Avenue

Saturday, 7/16

12:00pm Saturday Lunch Ministry

Sunday, 7/17 Sunday Worship
9:30am Adult Sunday School
10:30am Worship Service
6:00pm Youth Group

PRAYER CONCERNS

J.W. Bates, Jimbo Hinkle, Lynn McCarn, Bonita Hooper, Jeff Hutchens, Steve Ketner, Lee & Ellen Bouchard

AT HOME: Peggy Bates, Ruth Essick, Gerri Hill, Lib Hinkle, Myrtle Latimer, Deanna Michael, Carolyn Spivey

IN CARE FACILITIES: Vogen Everheart, Sherry Bonner, Marguerite Leonard, Patti Everhart

OUR FRIENDS: Franklin Waters (Cathy Whitley's father), Yvonne Dobey (Frankie Hedrick's sister), Sarah Lovell Biggers (Jerry & Patti Lovell's daughter), Janice Mullineaux (Cathy Browder's mother), Marc Frye (friend of the congregation), Scott Mooney (cousin of Lee Ann Peele)

Our Prayers and Sympathy go out to Rev. June Grubb in the passing of her brother, Jimmy Grubb