

# Decatur First Reformed Church

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First Reformed Church exists to reach the disconnected  
and grow the connected in Christ.

Our vision at Decatur First Reformed Church is a church on the GROW.

We will grow in our love for God and neighbor  
We will grow God's kingdom  
We will reach out with Christ's light and love  
In two years we will

- 1) grow through focus on our families and our friends
- 2) grow through community outreach
- 3) see each unchurched person of this community as a potential member of this church
- 4) be known as the church that serves

WE BELIEVE - the Bible to be the infallible Word of God and, therefore, the final authority for faith and practice. WE BELIEVE - in Jesus Christ as the only Son of God, and the Savior of those who accept Him by faith. WE BELIEVE - in the forgiveness of sins through the work of Christ on the cross. WE BELIEVE - in the fellowship of the Church of Christian growth through regular worship.

**Praise & Worship**  
**April 1, 2018**  
**10:00 am**

PRELUDE

\* PRAISE and WORSHIP Tara and Andrew Behrman  
*Christ Is Risen*  
*In Christ Alone*

\* PRAYER of PRAISE & LORD'S PRAYER

\* GREETING and ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" #163

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

MINISTRY of MUSIC *What a Beautiful Name* Tara Behrman

SCRIPTURE Luke 24:1-12, 36-43

MESSAGE Pastor Mark Hofstra  
**"There Is Just Nothing Like the Resurrection"**

OFFERING *Amazing Grace* Tara and Dora Behrman

HYMN "I Serve a Risen Savior" #158

\* BENEDICTION

\* CLOSING SONG  
*He is Lord, He is Lord*  
*He is risen from the dead and He is Lord*  
*Every knee shall bow, every tongue confess*  
*That Jesus Christ is Lord. (repeat)*

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**Prayer Request:**

(Place it in the box on the bulletin table in the fellowship room)

**WELCOME TO EVERYONE ON THIS LORD'S DAY!**

We hope that you feel welcomed and encouraged by the Word of God to love and serve our Savior, Jesus Christ.

<u>Today</u>		<u>April 8</u>
Patti Rittenhouse	<b>Greeters</b>	Tortorelli family
Jill Hemenway Katie Nugteren	<b>Refreshments</b>	Amanda Brewster
Amanda Brewster	<b>Children's Church</b>	Sean Ryan
<u>April 15</u>		<u>April 22</u>
Amanda Brewster	<b>Greeters</b>	Dennis & Tammy Pickens
Patti Rittenhouse	<b>Refreshments</b>	Elaine Mroczek
Maxine Buss	<b>Children's Church</b>	Loraine Houseman
<u>April 29</u>		<u>May 6</u>
Rod Cramer	<b>Greeters</b>	Janet Moelaart
Tara Behrman	<b>Refreshments</b>	Maxine Buss
Steve Tortorelli	<b>Children's Church</b>	Amanda Brewster

Wednesday 7:00 pm **This Week**  
 Celebrate Recovery

**Future Events**

April 8	10:00 am	Craig Massey
April 15	10:00 am	Ian Edwards
April 22	10:00 am	Craig Massey
April 29	10:00 am	Brian Fee
May 6	10:00 am	Amy Kemp
May 20	10:00 am	Nate Bull

## Announcements - April 1, 2018

- † Thank you to all who contributed to the purchase of Easter lilies for today's service. Everyone is encouraged to take an Easter lily home with you as well as one for a shut-in, neighbor or friend.
- † We are having a Bible Study on the book of Ruth at the Prayer Room on Thursdays 10:00 am. Please consider joining this group for a closer look at God's Word.
- † Do you shop at Family Fare? Save your receipts and deposit them in the white church on the table under the bulletin board in Social Room. This helps earn money for our church.

### TITHES and OFFERINGS for March 18

General: \$ 531

Building: \$ 30

Missions: \$ 5

### TITHES and OFFERINGS for March 25

General: \$ 1,220

Building: \$ 55

Missions: \$ 5

