

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 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.

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

Praise & Worship
August 19, 2018
10:00 am

PRELUDE

* PRAISE and WORSHIP

* PRAYER of PRAISE & LORD'S PRAYER

* GREETING and ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

MINISTRY of MUSIC *"When We See Your Face"* Joe Hill

HYMN *"Come, Christians, Join to Sing"* #60

MESSAGE *"Meanwhile"* Pastor Amy Kemp

OFFERING

* HYMN *"Simply Trusting Every Day"* #320

* 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)

Prayer Request:

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>August 26</u>
Tortorelli family	Greeters	Rich & Maxine Buss
Dorothy Nelson	Refreshments	Jill Hemenway
Steve Tortorelli	Children's Church	Amanda Brewster
<u>September 2</u>		<u>September 9</u>
Janet Moelaart	Greeters	Patti Rittenhouse
Katie Nugteren Amanda Brewster	Refreshments	Loraine Houseman
Maxine Buss	Children's Church	Loraine Houseman
<u>September 16</u>		<u>September 23</u>
Dennis & Tammy Pickens	Greeters	Rod Cramer
Dorothy Nelson	Refreshments	Janet Moelaart
Steve Tortorelli	Children's Church	Amanda Brewster

This Week
Wednesday 6:30 pm Celebrate Recovery
Thursday 10:00 am Bible Study at Prayer Room

Future Events
August 26 10:00 am Ross Tarantino
Sept. 2 10:00 am Ross Tarantino
Sept. 9 10:00 am Nate Bull

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

Announcements - August 19, 2018

- † We are starting to collect items for Operation Christmas Child. Since there are great sales on school supplies are collecting those: pencils, pencil sharpeners, pens, crayons, coloring books, paper, notebooks, markers, colored pencils, erasers, calculators.
- † We are having a Bible Study 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 August 12

General: \$ 693

Building: \$ 55

Missions: \$ 5

Today's Verses

Isaiah 40:31 ESV but they who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.

James 1:2-4 ESV Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters,[a] whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything.

Romans 5:1-7 ESV More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

Romans 8:28 NKJV And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose.

Proverbs 3:5-6 ESV Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.

Hebrews 11:1 KJV Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.

1. Pray
2. Reach out
3. Trust