

Gathered to Worship

Prelude

Welcome and God's Greeting

Songs of Worship:

"I Believe"

"It Is Well"

Relying on Grace

Cadet Litany

Cadet Song: #569:1,4 (WC)

"Living for Jesus"

Prayer

Song of Worship: #523:1,3,4 (WC)

"Trust and Obey"

(children ages 3 - Kindergarten are dismissed for Children's Church)

Giving with Thanks

Offertory Prayer

Offering:

Cadets International

Hearing God's Word

Scripture:

Judges 14:7-20 (p. 248)

Sermon:

THE WEDDING PLANNER

Prayer

Blessed to Serve

Song of Response: #689:1,4,5 (WC)

"The Church's One Foundation"

Benediction

Doxology: #373:1 (PH)

"Beautiful Savior"

Postlude

Leading us in Worship

Worship Leaders:

Pastors Lanser and Schuringa

Sermon:

Pastor Greg Schuringa

Organ:

Donna Erdman

Bass:

Carter Bulthuis

Guitars:

Matt Bulthuis, Mike Printz

(PH-Psalter Hymnal; WC-Worshiping Church- in pews; LH-Lift Up Your Hearts Hymnal-not in pews)

God Calls Us to Worship

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Welcome and God's Greeting

Song of Praise:

"Blessed Be the Name"

We Express Our Faith and Gratitude

Profession of Faith:

Apostles' Creed (*p. 3 in the back of the PH*)

Prayer

Hymn Sing:

Congregation's Choice

Offertory Prayer

Offering:

My Brother's Kitchen

God Speaks to His People

Scripture:

1 Peter 5:1-11 (*p. 1203*)

Sermon:

THE DOWNWARD JOURNEY UP

Prayer

We Go Out with God's Blessing

Song of Response: #101:1-2 (WC)

"My Jesus, I Love Thee"

Benediction

Doxology: #101:3 (WC)

"My Jesus, I Love Thee"

Postlude

Leading us in Worship

Worship Leader:

Pastor Greg Schuringa

Sermon:

Pastor Matthew Lanser

Organ:

Donna Erdman

Piano:

Jan Slinkman

Guitar:

Matt Bulthuis

(PH-Psalter Hymnal; WC-Worshiping Church- in pews; LH-Lift Up Your Hearts Hymnal-not in pews)

Today at Faith

This morning we continue in our book of Judges sermon series *Silver Linings in Dark Ages* with Samson. This week we're pointed to what the Bible says about the greatest wedding in the history of the world.

This morning we also celebrate Cadet Sunday. Cadets and Jr. Cadets reach and disciple boys grades 1-8, from Faith CRC and beyond. We give thanks today for our Cadets, and for our faithful Cadet Counselors who lead this important ministry.

This evening we'll be reading 1 Peter 5:1-11's call to humility and endurance for our *Hope for the Journey* series. We'll also have the opportunity for the congregation to choose a number of songs.

Reading the Gospel of Luke: Reading Plan A focuses on chapter 7 this week, while Reading Plan B finished the first reading of the Gospel with Luke 21-24. If you're following the Children/Family reading plan, this week's text is Luke 8:1-15.

Mission Emphasis Weeks

Sunday, February 17, 9:30 AM: Rev. Matthew Lanser

Sunday, February 17, 11:45 AM: Potluck Luncheon with Rev. Jeong Gho

Sunday, February 17, 6:00 PM: Rev. Pedro Aviles

Thursday, February 21: Soup & Salad Supper, 6:00 PM with Bob Venhousen,
from All God's Children

Sunday, April 28, 9:30 AM: Rev. Joe Huizenga

Sunday, April 28, 11:45 AM: Potluck Luncheon with Roseland CRC

Sunday April 28, 6:00 PM: Rev. Mike Moore

Offerings

Today: AM: Cadets International. PM: My Brother's Kitchen.

February 17: AM: Resonate Global Missions. PM: Ebenezer CRC.

February 24: AM: Elim Christian Services. PM: Shoebox Ministries.

Prayer & Praise

If you have prayer needs, please visit room 14 on the south side of the sanctuary after the morning service.

Congratulations to **Spencer & Rebecca Anderson** on the birth of their son, **Rory Theodore John**, on February 1, 2019.

Kathy De Vries is at Northwest Community Hospital for rehab following a minor stroke. Please pray for a good recovery process.

During the recent service trip to Honduras, **Clarence Klaassens** fell and injured his foot. Thankfully, tests show that he won't require surgery, but please do pray for complete healing.

Garry Wieringa is at Park Place for some rehab time following back surgery.

Remember to pray for those who are unable to join us in worship. Today we think of **Bill Tate** who lives in Park Place of Elmhurst.

A note from Jack and Marlene Vos: "We thank this wonderful congregation for their prayers, cards, and support these past few months. The phone calls and visits from so many were such an encouragement. Pastor Matthew, Pastor Greg, and Elder Jim Engel were such a comfort and we are so grateful for them. We continue to struggle with health issues and miss seeing everyone, but feel so blessed to be part of the family of God at Faith CRC."

Announcements

Worship Team - If you are interested in joining the worship team as either a singer or instrumentalist, please reach out to Matt Bulthuis (matt@smartgate.com) or Pastor Greg. The more the merrier!!

Technology Team - Every worship service at Faith CRC needs three people serving in the technology booth: someone to run sound, projection, and the video cameras. We can always use more people in these roles. Serving in this way is likely not as challenging as you may think and we will provide training. Please contact Adam Zarek for more information (ajzarek@gmail.com).

The Mission Committee will meet in the Choir Room today at 10:50 AM.

If you want to make profession of your faith, but are not a high school student, please get in touch with Pastor Greg or Jonathan Barney.

The Faith Book Club has selected Harper Lee's Pulitzer Prize-winning novel *To Kill a Mockingbird* for discussion at their next meeting. Set in the Depression-era South, this book gives the reader a child's view of race and justice. Please join us on February 12 at 7:00 PM at Park Place. Newcomers are always welcome.

Fathers & Sons of all ages are invited to the Chicago West Council's Cadet Swimming Party at the Schaumburg Water Works, this Friday, February 15, 8:30 - 10:30 PM. Cost is \$10.00/person. Check your mail box or email for more information.

Young Adult Meal: Join us on Sunday, February 17 (7:00 - 8:30 PM) for a meal and small group discussion. Please RSVP and let Jonathan know if you will bring a soup, salad or dessert.

Senior's Bible Study will be studying Revelation 2-3 at our next meeting on Tuesday, February 19 at 1:15 PM. Study guides are available on the sign-up counter in the lobby.

4th thru 8th grade Cadets and their fathers: Wednesday, February 20, we will meet at Laser Quest (in the mall at the corner of Finley and Butterfield in Downers Grove) for our annual father/son laser tag outing. **Please** arrive by 7:00 PM for two great games of tag and some tasty refreshments. The cost will be \$16 per family. Call Steve Weglarz, 630-217-9683 if you have any questions. Jr. Cadets will still meet at church.

Creative Connections: Have you ever wondered how people make a beautiful yarn/felt wreath? Yarn adds an element of warmth to your home/front door and is perfect for winter/fall or any time of year! All women are welcome to join us Thursday, February 28, from 6:30 to 10:00 PM. We will be providing a variety of felt colors so all we ask is that when you sign up in the narthex you select your yarn color of choice (grey or cream). Cost is \$6.25. Join us for an evening of fellowship and crafting and remember you are welcome to bring a neighbor or friend. If you have any questions please feel free to call Susan Middel, 630-656-2801.

Ebenezer Food Pantry: The Evangelism Committee invites you to join in volunteering at Ebenezer CRC's food pantry on Friday, March 1. We'll have two shifts available (4:30-6:00 PM and 6:00-7:30 PM), and we need seven or eight people per shift. This is part of our ongoing ministry partnership with Ebenezer this year; please consider participating in this as a way to express our unity in love and service with other believers. Register at the sign-up counter. Contact Pastor Matthew or Sandy Turnbull with questions.

Taco Dinner: Join us for fellowship and a meal between 5:00 – 7:00 PM at church on Thursday, March 7! All donations go to our youth ministry and high school trip to Memphis, TN. We will be working with Service Over Self, as they work with homeowners in need of critical home repair in the Memphis neighborhood of Binghampton.

Save the Date for VBS – ROAR! Join us from June 17-20 from 9:00 - 11:30 AM for a week to remember of worship, games, science station, Bible teaching and drama! Free for children aged four through 5th grade. Online registration coming soon.

Photos of Ministry Events! Please send any good photos you have of Faith CRC ministry events to office@faithelmhurst.org. Then we can share all the various things God is doing at Faith on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter! Thank you! As always, please let the office know if you prefer not to be included in online photos.

Youth News

The 9th-12th grade Catechism classes will be meeting together in Room 2 at 11:00 today and next Sunday, February 17.

The Gathering will meet tonight from 7:00 – 9:00 PM. High School students are invited to join us for a meal, games and small group.

Asylum will meet next on March 10 from 7:00 – 8:30 PM. Join us for a meal, fellowship, games and Bible study - invite your friends!!

My Brother's Kitchen: Join us to serve a meal to the homeless on February 16 (9:00 AM - 1:00 PM). RSVP to Jonathan for transportation purposes. All members and chaperones welcome!

This Week at Faith

Today

Sunday School & Catechism, 10:45 - 11:45 AM
Mission Committee, 10:50 AM, Choir room
Sermon Discussion Group, 11:00 AM
Profession of Faith Class, 4:00 PM
The Gathering, 7:00 PM

Tuesday, February 12

Faith Book Club, 7:00 PM @ Park Place

Wednesday, February 13

Men's Prayer Group, 7:00 - 8:00 AM
Bible Study Fellowship, 9:00 AM
GEMS Girls Club, 6:30 - 8:30 PM

Thursday, February 14

Mom2Mom, 9:00 AM

Friday, February 15

Cadets & Jr. Cadets Father & Son Swimming Party, 8:30 PM @ Waterworks

Serving Faith Church

Welcome Team: Herman Vander Naald **Next Week:** Len Turnbull
Kitchen: Spencer & Rebecca Anderson*, Hank & Becky Vander Naald
Next Week: Pete & Barb Holtrop*, Gerrit & Lori Wieringa
Library: Jeri Cook, Laura Miller
Next Week: Kathleen Glaubke, Laurie Wieringa
Audio Visual: Dan Kooyenga, Al De Los Santos, Adam Zarek
Next Week: Todd Lindemulder, Logan Van Proyen, Adam Zarek
Nursery Hostess: Joy Koopmans **Next Week:** Emily Hoving
Infant Nursery: Susan Middel, Julie Speelman, Grace Lindemulder
Next Week: Christina Muruato, Mindy Slinkman, Bonnie Van Proyen
Toddler Nursery: Chelsea Barney, Kathleen Glaubke, Lauren Miller
Next Week: Nicole Huizinga, Kim Kooyenga, Hailey Bernahl
PM Nursery: Sharon Rozendal, Caleb Lindemulder
Next Week: Sue Boonstra, Joy Koopmans