

Gathered to Worship

Prelude: "Easter Medley"
Welcome
Choral Call to Worship: "Now and Forevermore" ...Parks
God's Greeting
Resurrection Praises: #235 (WC) "Christ Arose"
#251:1,2 (WC) "Thine is the Glory"

Relying on Grace

Professions of Faith and Baptism: Raymond Amegatcher, David Egan
Bible Presentations: Elders Peter Holthrop and Mike Tornow
Ministry of Music: "Easter Angel Song" ...Berry
Prayer
Song of Faith: "In Christ Alone"
(children ages 3 - Kindergarten are dismissed for Children's Church)

Giving with Thanks

Offertory: "O Worship the King"
"Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks"
Offering: Faith General Fund

Hearing God's Word

Scripture: John 20:1-9, 19-23 (p. 1074)
Sermon: **EASTER IS NOW!**
Prayer
Ministry of Music: "Easter Anthem" ...Schrader

Blessed to Serve

Song of Resurrection Now: #234:1,2,4 (WC) "Christ the Lord is Risen Today"
Benediction
Doxology: "Hallelujah Chorus"
Postlude: "He Lives"
"Christ the Lord is Risen Indeed"

Leading us in Worship

Worship Leaders: Pastors Lanser and Schuringa Sermon: Greg Schuringa
Flutes: Nan Loerop, Sarah Schuringa Organ: Donna Erdman
Sophia Schuringa, Leah Tornow Piano: Jan Slinkman
Viola: Bonnie Van Proyen Oboe: Olivia Schuringa
Trumpets: Greg Lanenga, Luke Miller, Violin: Kristen Voss
Kayla Middel, Dan Roelofs Baritone: Hannah Schuringa
Guitars: Matt Bulthuis, Mike Printz Bass: Carter Bulthuis

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

Today at Faith

This morning we'll focus on the theme *Experiencing Easter Today* by reflecting on an event from the first Easter Sunday evening that is only mentioned in the Gospel of John. We also looked forward to two new members joining Faith CRC today!

No Evening Worship Service today.

Reading the Gospel of Luke: For this week, the Children/Family reading plan reads Luke 22:24-30. Reading Plan A focuses on Luke 20, and Reading Plan B reads Luke 12-16.

Upcoming Worship at Faith

April 28, 9:30 AM: Roseland for Mission Emphasis Sunday

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

May 2, Thursday, 7:00 PM: National Day of Prayer Service

Prayer & Praise

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

Judy Doornbos spent some time in the hospital last week with a number of health issues.

Al Havenga was able to return home recently after some time in rehab, but he continues to have some breathing difficulties.

Pray for strength and recovery for **Eric Johnson** as he undergoes rehab at Park Place.

Adrianna Schuringa fell last week and broke her arm. She's doing well after surgery, but please pray for a speedy and trouble-free recovery.

Keep **Lois Rusthoven** in prayer as she recovers from heart surgery last week.

Karen Tazelaar's health has improved over the last few weeks, but she continues to have significant health challenges. Pray that she remains comfortable and is able to regain some strength.

Barb Vroom is scheduled to have hip replacement surgery on Monday, April 22. Please pray for a quick recovery and not too much pain.

Remember to pray for those who are unable to join us in worship. Today we think of **Marge Stears** who lives in Burr Ridge.

Offerings

Today: AM: Faith General Fund.

April 28: AM: Roseland Christian Ministries. PM: Many People's Church.

Announcements

Easter Lilies: Please remember to pick up your lilies after morning worship.

There is no Sunday school lesson this week, but the kids will meet for singing to practice a couple of songs that they will be performing next week in worship. **Please have your Sunday school age children remain in the sanctuary after the morning worship service** for a short practice. They will be dismissed approximately 10 minutes after the service. Thanks!

Help us bless our college students and military personnel this spring semester by donating snacks, toiletries, candy, stress balls or other fun study tools. Items will be accepted in Jonathan's office through today, and sent out Tuesday in time for spring finals. If your child has changed addresses since last semester contact Laura, lauramiller289@comcast.net.

Creative Connections: All women are welcome to join us on Thursday, April 25 from 6:30 - 9:30 PM to make a canvas wall art. The canvas is secured with wood on the top and bottom and twine is added to the top for hanging. Finished size is 8 1/2 x 10 and cost is \$5.00. You will be able to choose from 20 different sayings. Be sure to bring a friend or neighbor! Please sign up in the narthex and if you have any questions call Susan Middel, 630-656-2801.

Women and Girls of Faith, elementary school age and up and their friends are invited to breakfast this Saturday, April 27 at 8:30 AM. Come to enjoy food & fellowship, and hear returning speaker, Heather Strooboscher.

Mission Emphasis Week continues on Sunday, April 28 with visits from Roseland Christian Ministries and Rev. Mike Moore. Be sure to sign up in the narthex or online for the All-Church Luncheon.

Youth and Young Adult Worship Night: All 6th graders through young adults are invited to join us on April 28 for a meal, fellowship and worshipping God through song and prayer (7:00 -9:00 PM).

Senior Bible Study will have our next meeting on Tuesday, April 30 at 2:15 PM. Please note that we will be meeting one hour later than our usual time on this afternoon. We'll be studying Revelation 13-17 (Lesson 6 in the study guide).

Music and the Mind! On May 3 at 10:00 AM, Mary Helen Ekstam from Journey Life Programs will show us how to use music to enhance one's mind, body and spirit. Come join us for a fun and spirited program guaranteed to get your toes tapping and your heart singing! Contact Cathy Bulthuis, 630-935-1849, or cathy@smartgate.com with questions. Sign up will be in the narthex.

Faith CRC SpringFest will be Saturday, May 4. Save The Date! Lots of fun activities are being planned. You won't want to miss out!

We are still looking for Volunteers for Springfest. If you are willing to donate your time to help at Springfest a sign-up sheet can be found in the narthex.

We are currently looking for auction items for Springfest Saturday, May 4! If you are willing to donate sports tickets, restaurant gift cards, services (i.e. babysitting, cooking etc.) or brand new, unused items, please contact Chris Slinkman at Chris.Slinkman@gmail.com or Corey Van Dyk at vandyk.corey@gmail.com or 224-267-5465.

Faith CRC's Annual Congregational Meeting will be held Sunday, May 5 after the morning worship service. All professing members are encouraged to attend. One purpose of this meeting is to seek congregational endorsement of Council's budget for the June 2019 - May 2020 fiscal year. The budget is a covenant commitment made by our members to support our church's mission and operating expenses. Council encourages both faithful service and giving in recognition that God is the "Great Giver" who has given the life of His Son for our salvation. **We will also elect new elders and deacons to serve our Council.** The nominees for the office of Elder are Al De Los Santos, Jon Rauwerda, Randy Van Dahm, Herm Vander Naald, Ted Vander Naald, John Veldsema, and Brad Wieringa. Council will be asking the congregation to vote for four elder nominees to replace the retiring elders. The nominees for the office of Deacon are Calvin Hoving, Jay Lumkes, Nathan Middel, Brad Miedema, Byron Plate, Justin Vander Naald, and Ryan Vander Naald. Council is asking the congregation to vote for four of the deacon nominees to replace the retiring deacons. Photos of the nominees can be found in your church mailbox today, so you can connect names with faces. The congregation is encouraged to complete proxy ballots for the election of elders and deacons if they cannot attend the meeting. Proxy ballots need to be signed by the voting member and turned in to any Council member by the start of the meeting to be counted. They can also be brought to our church office and placed in the Council Clerk's mailbox. Please pray that our meeting, along with the commitments and decisions made, will be in accordance with God's will for Faith.

Celebrate Life! Please sign up and take a "Life Is Beautiful" baby bottle home with you and be a part of Caring Network's ministry to raise awareness about the sanctity of human life. Check out the display in the Fellowship Hall. Fill it with coins/bills/or a check and return by Mother's Day, May 12, in the Fellowship Hall.

Young Adult Meal: Join us May 12 after evening worship from 7:15 to 8:45 PM.

The Cadet Father/Son camp out is set for May 17 - 19. Fathers & sons of all ages are invited. More information will follow.

My Brother's Kitchen: Join us in the Lawndale neighborhood on May 18 (9:00 AM - 1:00 PM) to serve lunch and build relationships with those in chronic poverty. All youth, young adults and families welcome! RSVP to Jonathan.

The Faith Book Club has selected *The Greatest Generation* by Tom Brokaw for discussion at their next meeting. From military heroes to community leaders to ordinary citizens, the author profiles men and women who served their country with valor, then came home and transformed it. We will meet on May 21 at 7:00 PM at Park Place. Newcomers welcome!

The Annual Memorial Day Hymn Sing will be May 26, 2019 at 6:00 PM!

Young Adult Campout: Join us for camping at Red Oak campground in Baraboo, WI from June 7-9. You're welcome to come and go as you please. Camping supplies are available to borrow. Contact Jonathan Barney or Kayla Middel (vanderzeekayla@gmail.com) with any questions.

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. Register online today.

The Rush Creek Cadet Council is having an All-Michigan Camporee, Wednesday, July 10 – Saturday, July 13, 2019. This is not to be confused with the International Camporee that will be held the Summer of 2020. Cadets, Counselors, Dads, or other interested adults, from outside of Michigan are invited to attend. Cadets must be 9 years old by July 1, 2019. If interested contact Lambert Bronger, 630-665-9422. Registration dead line is May 1, 2019.

Men's Retreat – Save the Date: Join us from October 4-6 for a weekend of fun, fellowship, food and faith-building. More details coming soon!

Administrative Assistant Search: The Staff Relations Committee is searching for a new administrative assistant for Faith. The position would have part-time flexible hours. If you need more details talk to Niki in the office. It would be our preference to have a current Faith CRC member fill the position. If you are interested in applying for this position please forward a resume and letter of interest to assistantsearch@faithelmhurst.org.

Loerop-Honduras. Consider being "helping hands" and donating children's chewable vitamins to La Ceiba, Honduras. Health and nutritional needs are always concerns in third world countries and vitamins help when children's dietary needs suffer. Place your donations in the container marked Loerop-Honduras by the Fellowship Hall piano.

Service opportunity for Faith Church! The Evangelism Committee has received a request from the United Community Concerns Association to assist their clients with donations of toothpaste and dental hygiene products (floss, mouthwash, denture tablets or toothbrushes are welcome) to be distributed at the Mobile Food Pantry. There will be boxes marked UCCA in the Fellowship Hall from April 28 until May 19 for your contributions. This is the same organization that we have donated bath soap to in the past. Their clients are deeply appreciative of the love shown to them through our generous contributions!

Youth News

Avenger's End Game: Join us at York Theater in Elmhurst at 6:00 PM on April 26. Cost: \$5. RSVP to hold your spot!

Youth and Young Adult Worship Night: All 6th graders through young adults are invited to join us on April 28 for a meal, fellowship and worshipping God through song and prayer (7:00 – 9:00 PM).

Asylum Games Night: All 6-8th graders are invited to join us from 6:30-9:30 PM on May 3 for a night of games, pizza and snacks! Feel free to bring your own and invite your friends! RSVP for food purposes.

The Gathering will meet next on May 5.

Asylum will meet next on May 19 from 7:00 – 8:30 PM. Join us for a meal, fellowship, games and Bible study - invite your friends!!

This Week at Faith

Today

Sunday School Singing, 10:45 - 11:00 AM

Wednesday, April 24

Men's Prayer Group, 7:00 - 8:00 AM

Bible Study Fellowship, 9:00 AM

GEMS Girls Club, 6:30 – 8:30 PM

Thursday, April 25

Mom2Mom, 9:00 AM

Creative Connections, 6:30 PM

Friday, April 26

Men's Bible Study, 6:30 AM

Youth to York Theater, 6:00 PM

Saturday, April 27

Women's Breakfast, 8:30 AM

Serving Faith Church

Welcome Team: Barb Vroom **Next Week:** Jen David

Kitchen: Ed & Kim Biesboer, Bob & Sharon Herlien*

Next Week: Brad & Kathy Miedema*, Logan & Bonnie Van Proyen

Library: Kathleen Glaubke, Laurie Wieringa **Next Week:** Chuck Slinkman

Audio Visual: Steve De Boer, Al De Los Santos, Adam Zarek

Next Week: Dan Kooyenga, Logan Van Proyen, Chris Slinkman

Nursery Hostess: Laura Lanser **Next Week:** Sarah Schuringa

Infant Nursery: Mindy Slinkman, Allsion Sowers, Emily Turner

Next Week: Ruth Flikkema, Harma Slinkman, Niki Tazelaar

Toddler Nursery: Chelsea Barney, Alyssa Ridder, Hailey Bernahl

Next Week: April Kieft, Joy Koopmans, Emma Dillon

PM Nursery, Next Week: Sue Boonstra, Marta Veenstra



Easter Lily Memorial List



*"The body that is sown is perishable, it is raised imperishable."
"Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?
Thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."
1 Corinthians 15:42b, 54b-55, 57*

Loved ones Jesus has called home:

Thomas Allen
Richard & Gertrude Bakker
Joe & Alice Boeringa
Anna Bronger
Thomas & Grace Bulthuis
Margie Lee Cutright
Elizabeth De Jonge
Al De Los Santos, Sr.
Thomas de Vries
Jim Decker
Melvin & Jeanette Decker
Beatrice Dykstra
Judy Engbers
Alexander & Justine Erdman
Edward Ernst
Ellerd Folkerts
Clarissa Gates
Jake & Marie Gelderloos
Peter & Bernice Groenewold
W. Bruce Groenewold
Ira & Eva George
Christine Guzik
John R. Hoekstra
Peter & Kaye Holtrop
Erwin Honsa
Lawrence Klaassens
Robert Kooima, Sr.
Henry Koster
Clarence & Nell Laning
Harold & Lena Lindemulder
Sandy Locigno
Philip & Vivian Matravers
Edythe Medema
Otto & Gert Miedema
Sandee Oostman
Evelyn Ottenhoff
Carol Post
Fred & Effie Post
Evelyn Grace Rauglas
Rev. John & Ada Rozendal
Al & Hilda Schurman
John & Marian Slinkman
Charles & Marie Smith

Joseph & Evelyn Stob
Jeff & Jeanette Tazelaar
Kristy Tazelaar
Louis Tazelaar Jr.
Peter & Grace Tazelaar
Ray & Jean Tazelaar
Ron Tazelaar
Tom Tazelaar
Dan & Evelyn Teune
Gladys Teune
Lynda Gay Teune
Joe Teune
Kathi Teune
Ken Van Byssum, Jr.
Ken Van Stedum
Henry & Margaret Van Tholen
Sheri Van Tholen
Peter & Catherine Venhousen
Robert & Donna Venhousen
Sherri Venhousen
Elmer Vos
George Vos
John Vos
Henry Voss
John Voss
Bob Wieringa
Catherine Wieringa
Gerrit & Nellie Wieringa
Agnes Zaagman
Clarence Zaagman
Dirk Zaagman
Garret Joel Zaagman
Gerrit Zaagman
Jacob & Margarethe Zeedyk
Terry Zeilstra

