

Gathered to Worship

Prelude

Welcome and God's Greeting

Songs of Praise:

"Glory to God Forever"

"Our Father"

Relying on Grace

Prayer

Songs of Worship: #388: 1-3 (PH)

#389 (PH)

"Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me"

"Not What My Hands Have Done"

Giving with Thanks

Offertory Prayer

Offering:

Timothy Tuition Assistance

Hearing God's Word

Scripture:

Philippians 3:1-11 (*p. 1163*)

Sermon:

KNOWING JESUS

Prayer

Blessed to Serve

Ministry of Music:

"Knowing You"

Benediction

Doxology: #126: 1,3 (WC)

"O Come, Let Us Adore Him"

Postlude

Leading us in Worship

Worship Leader and Sermon:

Dr. Greg Schuringa

Organ:

Donna Erdman

Ministry of Music:

Dan Roelofs, Corey Van Dyk

Guitars:

Matt Bulthuis, Mike Printz

Percussion:

Ryan De Boer

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

God Calls Us to Worship

Prelude

Welcome and God's Greeting

Song of Praise:

"It is Good to Give Thanks"

We Express Our Faith and Gratitude

Song of Confession: #152 (PH)

"Remember Not, O God"

Profession of Faith:

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

Prayer

Song of Worship: #762 (LH)

"Ancient Words"

Offertory Prayer

Offering:

PADS DuPage

God Speaks to His People

Scripture:

2 Peter 1:12-21 (*p. 1204*)

Sermon:

BIBLE MEMORY

Prayer

We Go Out with God's Blessing

Song of Response: #150 (PH)

"Let Children Hear the Mighty Deeds"

Benediction

Doxology: #805 (WC)

"Glory Be to the Father"

Postlude

Leading us in Worship

Worship Leader & Sermon:

Dr. Greg Schuringa

Piano:

Donna Erdman

Guitar:

Matt Bulthuis

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

Faith's **summer office hours** of 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM began July 1. Questions, prayer requests, and announcements can be sent to office@faithelmhurst.org, 630-279-1776 or dropped into the brown mailbox to the left of the office door.

Men's Retreat – Save the Date: Join us October 4 – 6 for a weekend of fun, fellowship, food and faith-building. Highschoolers and up are invited. Come and go as you please; \$10/night per camper; check-in and check-out is 11:00 AM. Email Jonathan (jbarney@faithelmhurst.org) to RSVP.

This year, **Elim HOPE Packs** will be in the form of a monetary donation only. Please check your church mailbox for a donation envelope. Each Elim HOPE Pack gift provides a blessing in two ways; your donation buys school supplies for a needy student in the Roseland community and provides the Elim client with meaningful work. There will be boxes for our envelopes in the Fellowship Hall throughout the month of July. If you have any questions or need an additional envelope, please see Sandy Turnbull.

Sing! Chicagoland with Keith and Kristyn Getty hosted by Bible League Volunteers – Thursday, October 24 in Crown Point, IN. Morning summit and evening concert tickets are available at bibleleague.org/tickets. Enter EARLYBIRD for \$10 off general admission – Hurry! Code is only valid through July 24.

Youth News

Memphis Trip Reunion: Join us at the Bulhuis' on July 24 at 7:00 PM to reconnect after the trip over refreshments and work on material to share with the congregation.

Join us at Laser Quest Downers Grove for **All Youth Laser Tag** on August 9 from 6:40 – 9:00 PM. Cost is \$5 per person including pizza.

Graduated 5th – 8th graders are invited to **Asylum Summer Small Groups**. Study God's Word, play games and enjoy snacks at the David's home from 7:00 – 8:30 PM on August 14.

Mark your calendars for the **Fall Retreat** set for October 11-13. We will join Pathway, City View, West Suburban and Grace Church youth groups at Lake Geneva Christian Camp in Wisconsin.

This Week at Faith

Sunday, July 14

Memphis Servant Leader Trip (July 14 – 21)
Ice Cream Social 7:00 – 8:00 PM

Monday, July 15

Deacons Meeting 6:30 PM

Wednesday, July 17

Men's Prayer Group 7:00 AM

Serving Faith Church

Welcome Team: Lindy Oostman **Next Week:** Maria Kearney

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

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

Library: Jeri Cook, Laura Miller

Library Next Week: Laurie Wieringa, Kathleen Glaubke

Audio Visual: Steve De Boer, Colin Middel, Al De Los Santos

Next Week: Dan Kooyenga, Adam Zarek, Logan Van Proyen

Nursery Hostess: Cathy Bulthuis **Next Week:** Sarah Schuringa

Infant Nursery: Cindy Vander Naald, Nicole Huizinga, Sophia Schuringa

Next Week: Mindy Slinkman, Charis Engel, Etta Veenstra

Toddler Nursery: Cathy Bulthuis, Cindy Tazelaar, Will Hoving

Next Week: Laura Van Kampen, Ruth Flikkema, Ben Murphy

PM Nursery: Laura Lanser, Hannah Schuringa

Next Week: Jill Veenstra, Marta Veenstra

Council Notes July 2019

- Council passed a recommendation from the Safe Church Team for an updated Safe Church Policy which is now being followed;
- Council passed a recommendation from the Church Property Committee for a security camera system for the church building and it has been installed;
- The Music Committee reported on highlights in recent months, including the Holland Christian Living Hope Singers, Palm Sunday, Good Friday, and Easter worship services as well as the Memorial Day Hymn Sing;
- Council approved the 2019-2020 budget to be brought to the annual Congregational meeting for endorsement;
- At the annual Congregational meeting the congregation elected new elders and deacons from among Council's nominees;
- An elder/deacon orientation time was held to prepare newly elected elders and deacons for service;
- The Missions Committee gave thanks for wonderful financial support from the church and was glad we could welcome several missionaries in the last 6 months;
- Council approved a Church Property recommendation to replace the two front sanctuary A/C units and they have been installed;
- The elders are encouraged by the increasing use of the after-morning service prayer time and those who gather to pray at 9:10 AM for our Sunday worship services;
- The elders, as usual, received monthly pastors' and youth director reports on their ministries;
- The elders discussed and began a process of more strategic and intentional connecting with members of the church;
- Council received a report from Pastor Schuringa and Don Oostman on the March Classis meeting. Classis is a twice a year meeting of the CRCs in our region;
- The elders received reports from our pastors and Jonathan Barney about a number of Timothy Christian School chapels that were led by them this past school year;

- Council gave thanks for Karen Folkerts' years of service in our church office and welcomed Ashley Slinkman to join Niki Tazelaar as an office assistant/coordinator;
- Council and the elders gave thanks for special church family gatherings in recent months, including the National Day of Prayer service, Springfest, two Mission Emphasis luncheons, a seminar on Technology for parents, several births and baptisms and new members Raymond Amegatcher, David Egan, Dirk & Eileen Rauglas, and the Brian & Danielle Voss family;
- The Youth Ministry Committee reported with thanks on the status of and activity surrounding Faith's ministries for children, students, and young adults, as well as all the volunteers who support these;
- Pastor Schuringa represented our classis at Synod in June. He plans to give a report to the congregation during the Sunday School hour, likely in August. Synod is an annual meeting and decision-making body that includes pastor, elder, and deacon delegates from all classes in the denomination;
- Vacation Bible School had its highest attendance in the past number of years with 121 children total attending (up from 96 the previous year), and an average of 115 each day;
- The Faith Strategic Team shared some final conclusions of its work with Council in June; these were discussed and commitment was made to carry out some key strategies going forward;
- To inspire and support ministry throughout the church, Council approved an updated Committee list in June;