

August 20, 2017

MORNING WORSHIP – 9:30 AM

God Calls Us to Worship

Prelude

*Welcome and God's Greeting

*Song of Praise: #187:1-4 (PH)

"Sing to the Lord, Sing His Praise"

God Renews Us By Grace

Song of Confession and Assurance:

"O Great God"

Prayer

*Song of Worship: #425:1,3,4 (LH)

"Jesus, Priceless Treasure"

Offertory Prayer

Offering:

Faith Benevolent Fund

God Speaks to Us Through His Word

Scripture: Proverbs 3:28; 14:20; 20:6; 25:17; 27:6, 14; 3:29,30; 17:9, 17;
25:20,21; 22:24,25; James 1:19; Mark 12:28-31; John 15:15
(pp. 627-647, 1196, 1005, 1069)

Sermon:

**PEARLS OF WISDOM FOR CHRISTIAN RENEWAL #6:
HOW TO LOVE YOUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS**

Prayer

God Meets us in the Lord's Supper

*Song of Preparation:

"Behold the Lamb"

Celebrating the Lord's Supper

Song of Worship: #491 (WC)

"Jesus Is All the World to Me"

(this song will be sung during the passing of the wine)

Song of Praise & Thanksgiving: #9:1,2 (WC)

"Sing Praise to the Father"

*(during this song an offering for our **Benevolent Fund** will be taken*

—as God has met us in our need, we meet others in their need!)

God Blesses Us to Bless Others

*Benediction

*Doxology: #9:3 (WC)

Postlude

"Sing Praise to the Father"

LEADING US IN WORSHIP

Worship Leaders: Pastors Lanser and Schuringa

Organ: Donna Erdman

Sermon:

Pastor Greg Schuringa

Piano: Jan Slinkman

Oboe:

Olivia Schuringa

Violin: Kristen Voss

Guitar:

Mike Printz

**Please stand if you are able*

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

We Enter His Presence

Prelude

*Welcome and God's Greeting

*Song of Praise: #213:1,2,4 (WC)

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

*Profession of Faith:

Heidelberg Lord's Day 21 (*p. 27 in the back of the PH*)

Prayer

*Song of Worship: #523:1,2,4 (WC)

“When We Walk with the Lord”

Offertory Prayer

Offering:

Pacific Island Ministries

We Listen

Scripture:

Mark 3:7-19 (*p. 992*)

Sermon:

FOLLOW THE KING: CALLED TO BE AND TO GO

Prayer

We Are Sent to Serve

*Song of Response: #482:1-2 (PH)

“We Give Thee But Thine Own”

*Benediction

*Doxology: #482:3 (PH)

“We Give Thee But Thine Own”

Postlude

LEADING US IN WORSHIP

Worship Leader:

Pastor Greg Schuringa

Sermon:

Pastor Matthew Lanser

Piano:

Jan Slinkman

**Please stand if you are able*

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

TODAY AT FAITH

In morning worship in the message we will hear what God's Word says about friendship and how we can love our friends and neighbors.

This morning we have an opportunity to celebrate the Lord's Supper or Communion. May the Lord meet us in a special way in this sacrament, reminding and assuring us of His love and grace. In our Communion celebration, first the bread and then the wine will be distributed by Faith CRC elders. As Jesus unites all believers through His work, we will eat and drink each element in unison, when indicated by the pastor. For those who want grape juice instead of wine, it can be found at the center of each tray. If you are a guest this morning, and a professing member of Jesus in another Bible-believing church, you are welcome to join us at the Lord's Table today. If you have not professed Christ as your Savior in His Church, we ask that you not partake of the sacrament, and encourage you to talk to a pastor or elder about what it means to belong to Jesus so that you can join God's people at the table in the future.

This evening we'll read Mark 3:7-19 as part of our *Follow the King* series. This passage shows us that the fundamental identity of Jesus' disciples is people who are called to follow the Lord, and sent out to proclaim the good news.

UPCOMING WORSHIP AT FAITH

August 27, 9:30 AM: We'll celebrate the baptisms of Eloise Huizinga and Maverick Ridder, and hear more wisdom from the book of Proverbs.

August 27, 6:00 PM: We'll focus on Mark 3:20-35 as we *Follow the King*.

September 3, 9:30 AM: We'll wrap up our *Sabbath: Recreation, Restoration, and Rest* series with a look at how God provides true rest for us now and for eternity.

September 3, 6:00 PM: Combined Labor Day weekend worship service at Western Springs CRC.

PRAYER & PRAISE

If you have prayer needs, please visit room 1 on the north side of the sanctuary after the morning service.

We extend our Christian sympathy to **Ed & Kim Biesboer** and their family following the passing of Ed's sister Lois last week. The memorial service will take place today at 2:00 PM followed by a wake from 3:00 - 8:00 PM at Schroeder-Lauer Funeral Home, 3227 Ridge Road in Lansing.

Brent Van Dyk passed away suddenly on Friday, August 11. We extend our sympathy to his wife **Linda**, his children **Brandon, Corey and Bonnie**, and to their entire extended family and friends. A funeral service was held on Thursday at Faith.

Jerry Dykstra had hip surgery last weekend following a fall. He's now at Providence in Downers Grove for several weeks of rehab.

Cindy Klaassens had hip replacement surgery last Friday. Please pray for a good recovery process for Cindy.

Pastor Greg Schuringa is thankful for continued prayers and support as he nears the end of the third of six, six-week cycles of chemotherapy. As always, he posts more detailed health updates and prayer requests at <http://www.carepages.com/carepages/PastorGregsupdates>.

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

OFFERINGS

Today: AM: Faith Benevolent Fund. **PM:** Pacific Island Ministries.

August 27: AM: Faith General Fund. **PM:** Shoebox Ministries.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The church office will return to regular office hours (9:00 AM – 3:00 PM Monday thru Thursday, 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM on Friday) this week. Bulletin announcements should be in by Thursday morning.

Our Faith Jr. Cadet ministry is expanding to include first and second graders. We need Jr. Cadet and Cadet Counselors to make this possible. Please contact Lambert Bronger, 630-346-8324, if you feel led to serve in this special ministry to the boys at Faith.

Elim HOPE Packs school supply drive ends today! In your mailbox you will find a list of the supplies requested for each HOPE Pack and an envelope for your donation. Please consider partnering with our friends at Elim to provide much needed school supplies and meaningful work for the clients of Elim! There will be boxes in the Fellowship Hall for your donations. Any questions - please see Sandy Turnbull. THANK YOU for supporting Elim!

The Adult Ministries and Evangelism Committees will have a joint meeting on Monday, August 21 at 7:30 PM to finalize plans for the Autumn Extravaganza in September.

The Cadet Counselors will have a meeting on Tuesday at 7:00 PM at Church.

This summer Faith will be producing a new church family directory and we need your help to make it complete! Lifetouch Church Directories and Portraits will have professional photographers at the church on August 23-25 from 2:00 – 9:00 PM, and August 26, from 10:00 - 4:00 PM. For your convenience you can sign up online at <https://booknow-lifetouch.appointment-plus.com/y1cmg56m/>; or call the church office at 630-279-1776. **If you still need an appointment but can't make any of the available times please call the church office and we will make special arrangements with LifeTouch.** Each participating family receives a complimentary 8x10 and copy of the new book. You will also have the opportunity to purchase high quality professional portraits at discounted prices. Remember our book won't be complete without you!

If you have already had your family portrait done, the complimentary 8x10's are available for pickup at the signup desk in the narthex.

The Friday Morning Men's Bible Study is resuming on August 25 after a brief summer break. Now would be a great time to join us! We meet in Room 4/5 at 6:30 AM on the second and fourth Fridays of the month. We end punctually at 7:30 AM. Our current study is on the book of 1 Corinthians. Contact Christopher Koopmans or Pastor Matthew if you'd like more information.

Everyone is invited to the combined Labor Day Worship Service at Western Springs CRC, (5140 Wolf Rd.) on Sunday, September 3, at 6:00 PM.

Autumn Extravaganza on September 9: We'll be kicking off this coming ministry year with the Autumn Extravaganza on Saturday, September 9 from 4:30-7:00 PM. This new event is intended to be a celebration as we enter a new ministry year, and a chance to connect or re-connect as summer wraps up and we start another ministry/school year. We'll have free food (including our famous pulled pork) and bounce house and other kids' activities. Come to celebrate Faith and hang out with family, friends, and neighbors.

Creative Connections will be held on Thursday, September 14 from 6:30 - 9:30 PM. Join us for a fun evening of fellowship and crafting. We will be making a wooden photo/recipe/scripture/prayer card holder (see signup sheet for picture). Sign up today to reserve your spot! For more information or questions please call Susan at 630-656-2801.

Save the date! The annual Faith CRC golf outing will be held Saturday, September 23 at Maple Meadows Golf Course in Wood Dale. Golf begins at 1:00 PM with dinner to follow, so whether you have a foursome or are an individual, come out to a great event to help support our Timothy Tuition Assistance fund. All levels of golfers are welcome! Registration will be open in the coming weeks. If you have questions, call Jonathan Huizinga, 708-476-4263.

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 bath soap or body wash to be distributed at the next Mobile Food Pantry. There will be a box marked UCCA in the Fellowship Hall from August 20 to September 3 for your donations. This is the same organization that we have donated toothpaste and dental hygiene products to in the past. Their clients are deeply appreciative of the care shown to them by our generous contributions!

The Middle School Catechism Class will be collecting aluminum cans throughout the summer. The money from the cans will be donated to *Feed My Starving Children*. Please help us by saving your cans and dropping them off in tightly tied bags at the church garage.

Getting involved at Faith: If you're interested in learning more about the range of activities and programs here at Faith, please check out the information on our website at faithelmhurst.org. If you're interested in joining a particular ministry, please contact the office or talk to one of the pastors.

YOUTH NEWS

The Gathering Pool Party (8/20): All incoming 9-12th graders are invited to join us today from 7:00 - 9:30 PM at the De Boer's for water fun, friends and snacks!

Asylum Pool Party (8/25): All incoming 6-8th graders are invited to join us on Friday, August 25 from 6:30 - 9:00 PM at the De Boer's for water fun, friends and snacks!

Youth Ministry Calendar: You can check out and print off our calendar here: <http://faithelmhurst.org/connect/youth>. If you have google calendar you can upload it straight to your phone!

THIS WEEK AT FAITH

TODAY, AUGUST 20

The Gathering (High School Youth) Pool Party at the De Boer's from 7:00 – 9:30 PM.

MONDAY, AUGUST 21

The Adult Ministries Committee will meet at 7:00 PM.

The Adult Ministries and Evangelism Committees will be having a joint meeting at 7:30 PM.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 22

Cadet Counselor meeting at 7:00 PM.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 23

Men's Prayer Group will meet from 7:00-8:00 AM.

Lifetouch Photo Sessions in the Fellowship from 2:00 – 9:00 PM.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 24

Lifetouch Photo Sessions in the Fellowship from 2:00 – 9:00 PM.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 25

Lifetouch Photo Sessions in the Fellowship from 2:00 – 9:00 PM.

Men's Bible Study at 7:15 PM.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 26

Lifetouch Photo Sessions in the Fellowship from 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM.

SERVING FAITH CHURCH

Welcome Team: Steve & Jen David **Next Week:** Cathy Bulthuis

Saratoga Driver: Marv Tazelaar **Next Week:** Ken Teune

Kitchen: Spencer & Rebecca Anderson, Ted & Laurie Vander Naald*

Next Week: Brad & Kathy Miedema*, Bruce & DeDe Terpstra

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

Audio Visual: Sue Folkerts, Al De Los Santos, Ryan Swanson

Next Week: Steve David, Mike Speelman, Ryan David

Nursery Hostess: Joy Koopmans **Next Week:** Kelly Rauwerda

Infant Nursery: Nicole Huizinga, Laurie Van Dahm, Zavien Baron

Next Week: Grace Harbaugh, Kim Kooyenga, Nathan Printz

Toddler Nursery: Rachel Kinnas, Jessica Vander Naald, Jaci Van Dahm

Next Week: Kathy Miedema, Becky Vander Naald, Zachary Miedema

PM Nursery: Bethany Voss, Marta Veenstra

Next Week: Sarah Schuringa, Sophia Schuringa