

**August 27, 2017**

**MORNING WORSHIP – 9:30 AM**

**God Calls Us to Worship**

Prelude

\*Welcome and God's Greeting

\*Song of Praise: #517 (WC)

"The Solid Rock"

**God Renews Us By Grace**

Baptisms:

Eloise Jennifer Huizinga, Maverick Scott Ridder

Song of Dedication: #416 (PH)

"Our Children, Lord, in Faith and Prayer"

Prayer

\*Songs of Worship:

"Behold Our God"

"Thy Word"

Offertory Prayer

Offering:

Faith General Fund

**God Speaks to Us Through His Word**

Scripture: Deuteronomy 6:4-9; Proverbs 3:11-12; 4:3-4; 7:1,2; 10:1; 13:1,24;  
19:18; 20:7,20; 22:6,15; 23:13-14,22-25; 29:15  
*(pp. 178, 627)*

Sermon:

**PEARLS OF WISDOM FOR CHRISTIAN RENEWAL #7:  
PROTESTING CULTURAL ARMAGEDDON**

Prayer

**God Blesses Us to Bless Others**

\*Song of Response: #946 (LH)

"Go My Children, with My Blessing"

\*Benediction

\*Doxology: #953 (LH)

"Now Blessed Be the Lord Our God"

Postlude

**LEADING US IN WORSHIP**

Worship Leaders:

Pastors Lanser and Schuringa

Sermon:

Pastor Greg Schuringa

Organ:

Donna Erdman

Piano:

Jan Slinkman

Violin:

Kristen Voss

Guitar:

Matt Bulthuis, 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)*

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**EVENING WORSHIP – 6:00 PM**

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**We Enter His Presence**

Prelude

\*Welcome and God's Greeting

\*Song of Praise: #234 (WC)

"Christ the Lord is Risen Today"

\*Profession of Faith:

Heidelberg Lord's Day 2 (*p. 9 in the back of the PH*)

Prayer

\*Song of Worship:

Congregation's Choice

Offertory Prayer

Offering:

Shoebox Ministries

**We Listen**

Scripture:

Mark 3:20-35 (*p. 993*)

Sermon:

**FOLLOW THE KING: THEM OR HIM?**

Prayer

**We Are Sent to Serve**

\*Song of Response: #462:1-3 (PH)

"Take My Life, and Let it Be"

\*Benediction

\*Doxology: #462:5-6 (PH)

"Take My Life, and Let it Be"

Postlude

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**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)*

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## TODAY AT FAITH

**In morning worship** we continue in our series, *Pearls of Wisdom* for Christian Renewal, and see once again how the book of Proverbs remains ever relevant to us today.

**Also in morning worship** we celebrate the baptisms of Eloise Jennifer Huizinga and Maverick Scott Ridder. We give thanks for this sign and seal of God's grace with their parents, Jonathan and Nicole Huizinga and Bill and Alyssa Ridder, and rejoice together as the family of God at Faith CRC.

**This evening** Mark 3:20-35 will highlight the challenge of our divided loyalties. Often we want to be loyal to something else along with the Lord, but following Jesus requires that we look to Him first. During the service, the congregation will have the opportunity to choose several songs to sing.

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## UPCOMING WORSHIP AT FAITH

**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.

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## PRAYER & PRAISE

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

**Jerry Dykstra** is at Providence in Downers Grove for several weeks of rehab following hip surgery.

**Cindy Klaassens** is at home recovering from his replacement surgery a couple weeks ago

**Karen Tazelaar** had ankle surgery last week following a car accident.

Tomorrow **Pastor Greg Schuringa** starts the fourth of six cycles of chemotherapy. The first few weeks of each cycle have tended to be the roughest. Pastor Greg posts more detailed health updates and prayer requests at <http://www.carepages.com/carepages/PastorGregsupdates>. He is thankful for God's sustaining grace throughout these very challenging months and for the congregation's support, prayers, and encouragement.

**Jack Vos** had a heart procedure at Elmhurst Hospital last week. Please pray that Jack's recovery from heart issues and numerous ulcers goes well.

**Evelyn Wettour** is at Providence in Downers Grove following a fall and some time in the hospital.

**Pastor Greg** will begin a week of study on Tuesday.

**Linda Decker's** new home phone number has changed to 630-793-5337 with her move to Glen Ellyn.

**Scott and Jean Gehrke** and family have moved. Their new address is: 636 Independence Ave, Westmont, IL 60559. New phone is 630-430-8853.

Remember to pray for those who are unable to join us in worship. Today we think of **Annette Klein** who lives in Alden Poplar Creek in Hoffman Estates.

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## OFFERINGS

**Today: AM:** Faith General Fund. **PM:** Shoebox Ministries.

**September 3: AM:** Faith Promise Missionaries.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**The church office** has returned to regular office hours (9:00 AM – 3:00 PM Monday thru Thursday, 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM on Friday). 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.

**Women of all ages are welcome to our women's Thursday Bible Studies**, on the first and third Thursdays, Sept-April. Beginning on September 7 at 9:00-11:00 AM (with childcare) or 7:15-8:45 PM. This year, these groups will be using the M'Cheyne Reading Plan to read through the Bible including passages from two Old Testament books and two New Testament books each day. The groups will also be watching *That the World May Know* video teaching sessions in the Holy Land with Ray VanderLaan. Each woman is encouraged to keep a journal. Journals will be available for purchase if desired. Register online today at [faithelmhurst.org](http://faithelmhurst.org). Email Sara Swanson [srhnnbrg@gmail.com](mailto:srhnnbrg@gmail.com) with any questions.

**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 [faithelmurst.org](http://faithelmurst.org). If you're interested in joining a particular ministry, please contact one of the ministry leaders listed on the opposite page or talk to one of the pastors.

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## YOUTH NEWS

**The Gathering:** High schoolers are invited to join us for dinner, Bible study and small groups every Sunday 7-9 PM. Bring your Bible and invite your friends! Our first meeting will be on September 10 at 7:00 pm.

**After Hours:** Students are invited to the Barney's house after school on Wednesday, August 30 from 4:00-5:15 pm for snacks, games and hanging out!

**Asylum:** Middle schoolers are invited to join us on select Fridays at the church for games, Bible study and small groups. Our next meeting is September 8. Drop off and pickup at the church. Bring your Bible and a friend!

**Children's Church (age 3-kindergarten), Sunday School (1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade) and Catechism (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade)** all start up for the year on September 10<sup>th</sup>.

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## THIS WEEK AT FAITH

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### TODAY, AUGUST 27

**Mission Committee Meeting** in the Choir Room at 10:50 AM.

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### MONDAY, AUGUST 28

**The Executive Committee** will meet at 6:30 PM.

**The Deacons** will meet at 6:30 PM.

**The Elders** will meet at 7:00 PM.

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### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30

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

**After Hours** will meet from 4:00 – 5:15 PM.

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## SERVING FAITH CHURCH

**Welcome Team:** Cathy Bulhuis **Next Week:** Len Turnbull

**Saratoga Driver:** Ken Teune **Next Week:** Bob Nicodem

**Kitchen:** Brad & Kathy Miedema\*, Bruce & DeDe Terpstra

**Next Week:** Bob & Linda Loerop\*, Gerritt and Lori Wieringa

**Library:** Chuck Slinkman **Next Week:** Nancy Boer, Sharon Herlien

**Audio Visual:** Steve David, Mike Speelman, Ryan David

**Next Week:** Steve DeBoer, Ryan DeBoer, Mary Huizinga

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

**Infant Nursery:** Grace Harbaugh, Kim Kooyenga, Nathan Printz

**Next Week:** Harma Slinkman, Sara Swanson, Grace Veenstra

**Toddler Nursery:** Kathy Miedema, Becky Vander Naald, Zachary Miedema

**Next Week:** Mindy Slinkman, Trudy Voss, Ben Murphy

**PM Nursery:** Sarah Schuringa, Sophia Schuringa

**Next Week:** Joy Koopmans, Etta Veenstra

## **FAITH MINISTRY CONTACT INFORMATION**

Adult Ministries	Bob Wieringa 312-623-9981 Pastor Lanser 630-530-7900
Asylum (grades 6-8) (Middle School Youth Group)	Jonathan Barney 630-279-0420
Bible Study Fellowship	Jen Cozette 708-491-8241
Cadets Boys Club	Lambert Bronger 630-665-9422
Children's Church	Christy Hooker 630-832-5378
Crossroads Prison Ministries	Ray Middel 630-862-1861
Deacons/Finance	Al De Los Santos 630-592-1906
Evangelism	Peter Holtrop 630-953-2938 Pastor Lanser 630-530-7900
Fellowship	Spencer Anderson 630-853-9912 Pete Holtrop 630-953-2938
Greeters	Karen De Los Santos 630-592-1906
GEMS Girls Club	Flory Hoving 630-279-5294
Hospitality/Meals	Peter Groenewold 630-200-4035
Library	Chuck Slinkman 708-343-1962
Membership Classes	Pastor Schuringa 630-279-1779
Men's Prayer Group	Lambert Bronger 630-655-9422
Missions	Don Oostman 630-983-7239
Mom2Mom Ministry	Sarah Schuringa 630-279-0016
Music Ministries	Len Turnbull 630-941-8213
Nursery	Joy Koopmans 616-610-0259
P.A.D.S.	Lambert Bronger 630-665-9422
Profession of Faith Classes	Pastor Schuringa 630-279-1779
Senior Bible Study	Pastor Lanser 630-530-7900
Shoebox Ministry	Evelyn Wieringa 630-495-8956
Shut-in Visitation	Bern Slinkman 708-492-0114
Small Groups	Greg Lanenga 708-562-6697 Pastor Lanser 630-530-7900
Stephen Ministry	Grace Harbaugh 630-624-9468
Sunday School	Joy Hoving 630-780-9862
Technology Ministries	Adam Zarek 312-434-0527
The Gathering (High School)	Jonathan Barney 630-279-0420
Transportation	Darrell Stodola 630-833-5042
Ushers	Ray Rozendal 630-782-1998
Women's Bible Study	Sarah Schuringa 630-279-0016