

September 3, 2017

MORNING WORSHIP – 9:30 AM

God Calls Us to Worship

Prelude

*Welcome and God's Greeting

*Song of Worship: #5 (WC)

"Come, Thou Almighty King"

God Renews Us By Grace

Time of Confession

*Song of Assurance: #682 (LH)

"Before the Throne of God Above"

Prayer

Children's Message

*Song of Worship: #45 (WC)

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

Offertory Prayer

Offering:

Faith Promise Missionaries

God Speaks to Us Through His Word

Scripture:

John 14:1-3, Hebrews 4:1-11 (*pp. 1067, 1186*)

Sermon:

SABBATH: REST

Prayer

God Blesses Us to Bless Others

*Song of Response: #21:1,3 (WC)

"How Great Thou Art"

*Benediction

*Doxology: #21:4 (WC)

"How Great Thou Art"

Postlude

LEADING US IN WORSHIP

Worship Leader & Sermons:

Pastor Matthew Lanser

Organ:

Donna Erdman

Piano:

Jan Slinkman

Violin:

Kristen Voss

**Please stand if you are able*

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

EVENING WORSHIP – 6:00 PM

The Annual Shared Labor Day Worship Service

will be held at the Western Springs CRC

(5140 Wolf Road, Western Springs)

Reverend Gerry Erffmeyer will be leading the service.

Daniel Mattix will also lead us as we worship through music.

Refreshments will be served after the service.

TODAY AT FAITH

This morning we'll be reading Hebrews 4:1-11 and John 14:1-3 as we conclude our *Sabbath: Recreation, Restoration, and Rest*. We'll focus on rest for this sermon, and reflect on how Christ's work enables us to develop real trust, freedom, and belonging.

UPCOMING WORSHIP HIGHLIGHTS AT FAITH

September 10, 9:30 AM: We'll begin a *Being Reformed* sermon series on Colossians. As we begin our new church season, this series will help us reflect on how God reforms all of the areas of our lives.

September 10, 6:00 PM: We'll have a prayer service focused on the coming church year. The service will include a brief meditation on Colossians as part of the *Being Reformed* series.

PRAYER & PRAISE

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

Kathy De Vries has been suffering from increasing memory loss. She's now living with her daughter in Rolling Meadows. She deeply appreciates her connection to Faith, and misses being able to be here for worship. Cards and prayers are deeply appreciated. They can be mailed to Kathy c/o Kimberly Balles, 3904 Bluebird Lane, Rolling Meadows, IL 60008.

Jerry Dykstra is at Providence in Downers Grove for several weeks of rehab following hip surgery. **Pearl Dykstra** recently began hospice care. Please pray for comfort, peace, and good days together for Jerry and Pearl.

Pastor Greg Schuringa continues to undergo chemotherapy. Please pray for continued grace and strength in the coming months. Pastor Greg is currently out of the office on a week of study and recovery.

Karen Tazelaar spent last week in the hospital following ankle surgery and pneumonia. Please pray for continued healing for Karen as she looks toward an extended rehab time.

Jack Vos had a minor stroke last weekend and is anticipating some weeks in rehab. Please pray for Jack and Marlene as they deal with a number of health challenges.

Evelyn Wettour continues at Providence in Downers Grove following a fall.

Remember to pray for those who are unable to join us in worship. Today we think of **Peter Voss** who lives in Lexington Square of Elmhurst.

Happy birthdays to **Al Vanderschoot** (81) on September 1, **Robert Laning** (86) on September 2, **Ralph Van Kampen** (88) on September 7, **Pearl Dykstra** (82) on September 10, **Ray Rozendal** (84) on September 12, **Evelyn Zeilstra** (92) on September 17 and **Dirk Zaagman** (85) on September 27.

“Thank you for all the expressions of sympathy in the recent passing of our Mom, Theresa Woldman. We take comfort in the fact that we will see her again. *Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.* Matt. 5:4

Karen Koning, Kathy Laning, Kris VandenAkker and Karyl Bradley

“Thank You to the congregation for all the cards and expressions of sympathy on the passing of Ed’s sister. We are so blessed to be a part of the Faith Church family.” Ed & Kim Biesboer

Next Sunday a group of 16 volunteers is leaving for a week of work in Mexico. Please be in prayer for their safety as they travel, work, and serve God at Tapestries of Life Ministries. Serving from Faith are Lambert Bronger, Randy Heerdt Jr., Bill and Flory Hoving, Greg and Lynda Lanenga, Ria Hoogsteen, Sharon Holtrop, Don Oostman, and Brandon and Corey Van Dyk.

OFFERINGS

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

September 3: AM: Faith Promise Missionaries.

September 10: AM: Timothy Tuition Assistance Fund. **PM:** Lawndale CRC.

September 17: AM: Faith GEMS Girls Club. **PM:** Elmhurst Walk-in Ministry.

September 24: AM: Faith General Fund. **PM:** PADS Du Page County.

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.

Cadets & Jr. Cadets - All 1st - 8th grade boys and their Mothers, Grandmothers or ladies who like to have fun are invited to the Mother/Son outing. It will be at Lost Mountain Adventure Golf, 1535 75th Street in Woodridge at 6:30 PM on Wednesday, September 6, 2017. More information is in your mail box or on the table in the Narthex.

Women of all ages are welcome to our women’s Thursday Bible Studies, on the first and third Thursdays, September – 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. Email Sara Swanson srhnnbrg@gmail.com with any questions.

Autumn Extravaganza this Saturday! We’re kicking off this ministry year with a party this Saturday at Faith. We’ll have Steve De Boer’s famous pulled pork, root beer floats, and other food. We’ll have a bounce house and other kids’ activities. All the food and activities are free. Please bring your own lawn chairs or blankets for the picnic dinner. Come anytime from 4:30 - 7:00 PM. Come to hang out with family and friends and celebrate the start of our church year.

The Faith Book Club will be meeting on Tuesday, September 13 to discuss our summer selection: *Deep Undercover* by Jack Barsky. This former spy for the KGB gives an accounting of his life and how it was changed. Please join us at 7:00 PM at Park Place of Elmhurst.

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.

Sign up today! The annual Faith CRC golf outing is on 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 level of golfers welcome! Registration is now OPEN either online through our church website or on the sign-up sheet in the narthex! If you have any questions, contact Jonathan Huizinga, 708-476-4263.

The Right to Life Committee invites you to save the date for the Care Net Pregnancy Services of Du Page dinner, October 26, 2017 at Drury Lane.

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 one of the ministry leaders listed at the end of the bulletin or talk to one of the pastors.

Email Address Updates: Faith sends out a weekly email every Friday along with occasional prayer needs. If you're part of the Faith community, this is a great way to keep informed about events and needs in the life of the congregation. If you want to be added to this list, or if you need to update your email address, please let the church office know at office@faithelmhurst.org.

YOUTH NEWS

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

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 this Friday, September 8. Drop off and pickup at the church. Bring your Bible and a friend!

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!

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

THIS WEEK AT FAITH

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

The Small Groups Committee will meet at 7:00 PM.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

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

Cadets & Jr. Cadets and their guests will meet at Lost Mountain Adventure Golf in Woodridge at 6:30 PM.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

Women's Bible Study will meet at 9:00 AM.

Women's Bible Study will meet at 7:00 PM.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

Men's Bible Study will meet at 6:30 AM.

Asylum will meet at 7:00 PM.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

Autumn Extravaganza from 4:30 – 7:00 PM.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

Children's Church, Sunday School & Catechism begin.

The Gathering will meet at 7:00 PM.

SERVING FAITH CHURCH

Welcome Team: Len Turnbull

Next Week: Sharon Rozendal

Saratoga Driver: Bob Nicodem

Next Week: Corey Van Dyk

Kitchen: Bob & Linda Loerop*, Gerritt and Lori Wieringa

Next Week: Jim & Kathleen Lindemulder*, Byron & Cathy Plate

Library: Nancy Boer, Sharon Herlien

Next Week: Jeri Cook, Laura Miller

Audio Visual: Steve De Boer, Ryan De Boer, Mary Huizinga

Next Week: Dan Kooyenga, Ryan Swanson, Chris Slinkman

Nursery Hostess: Joy Koopmans

Next Week: Allison Sowers

Infant Nursery: Harma Slinkman, Sara Swanson, Grace Veenstra

Next Week: Dorothy Allen, Nicole Huizinga, Riley Wieringa

Toddler Nursery: Mindy Slinkman, Trudy Voss, Ben Murphy

Next Week: Rachel Kinnas, Christina Muruato, Eli Baron

PM Nursery: **Next Week:** Chelsea Barney, Laura Lanser

FAITH MINISTRY CONTACT INFORMATION

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| 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 |