

Gathered to Worship in Faith by Grace

Prelude

Welcome and God's Greeting

Song of Faith:

"I Believe"

Prayer

Song of Worship: #52 (WC)

"I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

(children ages 3 - Kindergarten are dismissed for Children's Church)

Giving with Thanks

Offertory Prayer

Offering:

Faith Promise Missionaries

Hearing God's Word

Scripture Reading:

Judges 4:12-16; 5:19-21 (p. 236)

Scripture Text:

Judges 5:20

Sermon:

WHY THE STARS ARE ALIGNED FOR YOU

Prayer

Celebrating the Lord's Supper

Song of Preparation:

"It Is Well"

The Meaning of the Lord's Supper

Songs of Worship: #356:1,2 (WC)

"All Creatures of Our God and King"

#60:2,3 (WC)

"Great is Thy Faithfulness"

(sung during the passing of the wine)

Song of Praise: #466:1-3 (PH)

"Onward, Christian Soldiers"

(during this song, we'll receive an offering for those in need—the money given will go to our Benevolent Fund)

Blessed to Serve

Benediction

Doxology: #466:4 (PH)

Postlude

"Onward, Christian Soldiers"

Leading us in Worship

Worship Leaders:

Pastors Lanser and Schuringa

Sermon:

Pastor Greg Schuringa

Organ:

Donna Erdman

Piano:

Jan Slinkman

Violin:

Kristen Voss

Bass:

Carter Bulthuis

Guitars:

Matt Bulthuis, Mike Printz

(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: #191:1-3 (LH)

"Praise the Savior, Now and Ever"

We Express Our Faith and Gratitude

Profession of Faith:

Apostles' Creed

Prayer

Song of Worship:

"Before the Throne of God Above"

Offertory Prayer

Offering:

Pacific Island Ministries

God Speaks to His People

Scripture:

Romans 3:21-26 (*p. 1114*)

Sermon:

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Prayer

We Go Out with God's Blessing

Song of Response:

"There is Power in the Blood"

Benediction

Doxology: #191:4 (LH)

"Praise the Savior, Now and Ever"

Postlude

Leading us in Worship

Worship Leader:

Pastor Matthew Lanser

Sermon:

Pastor Greg Schuringa

Piano:

Jan Slinkman

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

Worship at Faith

This morning we continue in our sermon series on the book of Judges: *Silver Linings in Dark Ages*. We'll hear from a small portion of a larger account that we'll complete next week. This week we'll learn about the lengths to which the Lord goes to keep and secure His people.

Also this morning we celebrate Communion or the Lord's Supper. First the bread and then the wine will be distributed by our 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 prefer 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.

This evening, we continue to make our way through one of our confessions, the Canons of Dort, on the occasion of the 400th anniversary of the Synod of Dort (it was held in 1618-1619). Sometimes, though not entirely accurately, the canons have been referred to as the 5 Points of Calvinism. The acronym TULIP has helped many remember the canons. In this second message we are up to the "L," Limited Atonement.

Offerings

Today: AM: Faith Promise Missionaries. PM: Pacific Island Ministries.

October 14: AM: Timothy Tuition Assistance Fund. PM: New Leaf Resources.

October 21: AM: Faith Youth Group. PM: Life on Wheels.

October 28: AM: Faith General Fund. PM: Back to God Ministries.

Prayer & Praise

If you have prayer needs, please visit room 10 on the north side of the sanctuary after the morning service.

Keep **Lambert Bronger** in prayer as he undergoes ankle replacement surgery this Friday.

Peter De Vries has moved to a new address: Lexington Square, 400 W Butterfield Rd. #352, Elmhurst, IL 60126. Peter's new phone number is 630-617-4122. Please update your church directory.

Remember to pray for those who are unable to join us in worship. Today we think of **Grace Bolt** who lives in Providence Healthcare.

Announcements

Meeting Jesus in the Old Testament: Beginning at 11:00 this Sunday morning in Rooms 1-3, Dr. Derke Bergsma will be leading a brief course: "The Unfolding Mystery: Meeting Jesus in the Old Testament." Dr. Bergsma will walk us through the key movements in the story arc of the Bible, and he'll share with us a little bit about his new book *Monday through Friday in the Word*. The course will be meeting from 11:00-11:45 today and on the next two Sundays – October 14 & 21.

For the Life of the World Group: Pastor Matthew and Laura Lanser will be hosting a monthly study entitled *For the Life of the World*. This study reflects on living as exiles in this world in the areas of family, work, justice, wisdom, wonder/art, and hope. We'll watch a brief video together, read a section or two of Scripture, talk, pray, and have a snack too. Our first meeting is this Tuesday at 7:15 PM at the Lansers' house on the second Tuesday of each month, with our first meeting on October 9. Contact Pastor Matthew or Laura Lanser for more information or if you plan to attend.

Creative Connections is planning a "Pinterest" theme night! Who doesn't love Pinterest? And who doesn't pin crafts and recipes that they will probably never make? Well Creative Connections is the place to be to fix that! Ladies join us on Thursday, October 11 from 6:30 to 10:00 PM to make a Pinterest craft! We will be making a rustic style mason jar wooden wall sconce, or two if you would like! (Cost: \$7.00/per sconce) Also, you are encouraged to bring a copy of your favorite Pinterest inspired recipe and a Pinterest craft you have made or would like to make to share and inspire others. Crafting is more fun with friends, so bring your neighbor, coworker or anyone else who would enjoy a night out with other women. Sign up is in the narthex or if you need more information please call Susan Middel, 630-656-2801.

Seniors' Bible Study will continue or *Generosity* study with Lesson 3: "Hospitality and God's Grace" at our next meeting at 1:15 PM on Tuesday, October 16. Pick up a study guide on the sign-up counter if you'd like to join.

The Faith Book Club has chosen *The Church in Babylon* for discussion at the next meeting. Dr. Erwin Lutzer answers the question "How do we live faithfully in a country becoming more and more hostile to our faith in Christ?" The next meeting will be held on October 23 at 7:00 PM at Park Place of Elmhurst. As always, new members are welcome to join us.

Caring Network's Annual Banquet will be held on October 25, from 6:00-8:30 pm at Drury Lane in Oakbrook. The Keynote Speaker is Alistair Begg. Right to Life Committee members will be contacting you to extend a personal invitation. You may also sign up on the sheets located in the narthex or on the table in the Fellowship Hall to reserve your seat.

Young Adult Meal: Join us for food, fellowship and discussion on Sunday, October 28 at 7:15 PM. Please RSVP to Jonathan, jbarney@faithelmhurst.org with a main dish or side.

Fall Men's Breakfast: Our fall men's breakfast this year will be on Saturday, November 10 at 7:30 AM. John H. Erickson will be speaking for us this year. John is the author of the book *What I Saw When I Went Blind*, and he'll be sharing with us his experience of vision loss, perseverance, and grace. Come for a time of good food and fellowship! Sign up in the lobby or online to help us plan how much food to make.

Young Adult Discipleship Groups: Looking to become a more cross-exalting, gospel-saturated disciple of Christ with other like-minded people? Join a discipleship group. Groups meet by gender for encouragement, Bible study and prayer. The men will finish David Platt's *Radical* this fall. Contact Jonathan Barney for more info.

Three Soap Sundays! Today, October 14 and 21 there will be boxes in the Fellowship Hall marked UCCA for your donations of bar soap and body wash. These items will be distributed to the clients of the United Community Concerns, the same organization that we have donated toothpaste to in the past. Their clients are deeply appreciative of our generous donations!

The 7th & 8th Grade Catechism Class will be collecting aluminum cans. Proceeds will be donated to *All God's Children*. Please help us by saving your cans and dropping them off in tightly tied bags by the garage.

Thank you to all who participated in Caring Network's Diaper Derby by bringing in diapers, wipes, and/or Walmart gift cards. Your gifts will bless many families in our community. If you still have items to donate, speak to one of the Right to Life Committee members: Brongers, Loerops, or Slinkmans.

Youth News

Catechism Classes: For the next couple weeks, catechism classes will be meeting in classrooms on the south side of church. Grades 6-8 will be meeting in Room 8. Grades 9-10 will be meeting in Room 10. Grades 11-12 will be meeting in Room 12.

Asylum (6-8th grade students) are invited to join us at the church for friends, food, Bible study, and small groups tonight from 7:00 – 8:30 PM.

Press Pause Youth Fall Retreat at Lake Geneva on October 12-14: All 6th - 12th graders are invited to join us to "press pause" for a time of fellowship, rest, worship and prayer. No teaching. No cell phones. It's time to unplug, slow down and be with the Lord. We will be joining four other Elmhurst church youth groups (Cityview, Pathway, West Suburban and Grace). Please contact Jonathan today if you have not registered and are still interested in going.

The Gathering (high school students) meets again on Sunday, October 21 from 7:00-8:30 PM.

Soup Kitchen: Join us to serve lunch at My Brother's Kitchen in Berwyn on November 3, 8:30 AM. Parent chaperones wanted.

This Week at Faith

Today, October 7

Sunday School and Catechism; 10:45 – 11:45 AM.
Adult Education; Room 1-3 at 11:00 AM.
Asylum; 7:00 – 8:30 PM.

Wednesday, October 10

Men's Prayer Group; 7:00 - 8:00 AM.
Bible Study Fellowship; 9:00 AM.
GEMS Girls Club; 6:30 – 8:30 PM.
Evangelism Committee; 7:00 – 8:30 PM.

Thursday, October 11

Mom2Mom; 9:00 AM.
Creative Connections; 6:30 PM.

Friday, October 12 – Sunday, October 14

Press Pause Youth Retreat.

Serving Faith Church

Welcome Team: Dave Printz **Next Week:** Steve & Jen David

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

Next Week: Spencer & Rebecca Anderson, Brad & Kathy Miedema*

Library: Nancy Boer, Sharon Herlien **Next Week:** Jeri Cook, Laura Miller

Audio Visual: Dan Kooyenga, Al De Los Santos, Chris Slinkman

Next Week: Todd Lindemulder, Adam Zarek, Logan VanProyen

Nursery Hostess: Joy Koopmans **Next Week:** Laura Lanser

Infant Nursery: Laura Van Kampen, Bonnie Van Proyen, Leah De Boer

Next Week: Mindy Slinkman, Julie Speelman, Sophia Schuringa

Toddler Nursery: Diana De Boer, Melanie Lumkes, Jenny Lumkes

Next Week: Emily Hoving, Ruth Flikkema, Leah DeBoer

PM Nursery: Susan Middel, Caleb Lindemulder

Next Week: Jill Veenstra, Marta Veenstra