

October 29, 2017

MORNING WORSHIP – 9:30 AM

God Calls Us to Worship

Prelude

*Welcome and God's Greeting

*Songs of Worship: #688 (LH)
#389 (PH)

"How Vast the Benefits Divine"
"Not What My Hands Have Done"

God Renews Us By Grace

God's Will for Our Lives

Ministry of Music:

"Your Hands"

Prayer

*Song of Worship: "Amazing Grace" (My Chains Are Gone)
(children ages 3 - Kindergarten are dismissed for Children's Church)

Offertory Prayer

Offering:

Faith General Fund

God Speaks to Us Through His Word

Scripture:

Ephesians 2:1-10 (p. 1156)

Sermon:

PILLARS OF THE REFORMATION: GRACE ALONE

Prayer

God Blesses Us to Bless Others

*Song of Response: #472 (WC)

"Grace Greater than Our Sin"

*Benediction

*Doxology: #316:3 (PH)

"Now Thank We All Our God"

Postlude

LEADING US IN WORSHIP

Worship Leader & Sermon:

Pastor Matthew Lanser

Organ:

Donna Erdman

Piano:

Jan Slinkman

Guitar:

Matt Bulthuis, Mike Printz

Ministry of Music:

Mike & Carla Printz, Sandy Roelofs

**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: #45 (WC)

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

*Profession of Faith:

New City Catechism Q & A 33-35

Prayer

Congregation's Choice

Hymn Sing:

Offertory Prayer

Offering:

Gideons International

We Listen

Scripture:

Galatians 2:11-21 (p. 1152)

Sermon:

JUSTIFICATION

Prayer

We Are Sent to Serve

*Song of Response: #379 (PH)

"Lord Jesus, I Long to Be Perfectly Whole"

*Benediction

*Doxology: #509:1 (WC)

"O, How I Love Jesus"

Postlude

LEADING US IN WORSHIP

Worship Leader:

Pastor Matthew Lanser

Sermon:

Rev. Dave Armstrong

Organ:

Donna Erdman

Piano:

Jan Slinkman

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TODAY AT FAITH

This morning on this week of Reformation Day, we'll be reflecting on the reality that we are saved by "Grace Alone." We'll read from Ephesians 2, and rejoice in the salvation and new life that God graciously gives us.

This evening Rev. Dave Armstrong will serve as our guest Pastor. He'll be preaching from Galatians 2 about how God justifies us through the work of Christ. During this service, the congregation will have the opportunity to request songs.

NEXT WEEK AT FAITH

November 5, 9:30 AM: We'll conclude our *Pillars of the Reformation* series with a sermon on 'To the Glory of God Alone.' John 1 will show us that our Lord is great and gracious, and call us again to bring glory to Him through everything that we do.

November 5, 6:00 PM: Rev. Mac Wiener will be bringing us the message from God's Word.

PRAYER & PRAISE

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

Congratulations to **Tony & Liz Tabb** on the birth of their son, **Dominic Clarence** on Tuesday, October 24.

Pastor Greg Schuringa is concluding a week of study today. He is also thankful to be halfway through a 5th cycle of chemotherapy. The 6th and final round is planned to start three weeks from tomorrow. Pastor Greg gives more detailed updates and prayer requests on a new website than the one he previously used: <https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/pastorgregsupdates>.

Marilynn Smith had surgery last Thursday to remove a mass from her lung. Please pray for good recovery for Marilynn.

Ron Tazelaar has been diagnosed with Stage 4 abdominal cancer. Treatment options are limited at this point, but he's planning to undergo some chemo. Please keep Ron and Karen in your prayers.

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.

"Thanks to the congregation for the many calls, cards, and visits during Pearl's sickness and after she passed away. Special thanks to the pastors and Rich Vroom for their visits and care during Pearl's sickness and my own recovery from hip surgery."

Jerry Dykstra and family

"We would like to thank the congregation, our elder, and our Pastors for the visits, encouraging cards, phone calls, and prayers. The last few months have certainly been challenging and we continually praise God for this wonderful church family that has been such a blessing to us now and over the years. We returned home last Friday where will continue to get stronger and heal - God willing! We still covet your prayers and look forward to worshipping with you again in the near future. Thank you!"

- Jack and Marlene Vos

Thea Bakker is moving to Park Place in Elmhurst this week. Her new address will be Park Place of Elmhurst, 1050 Euclid Ave, Elmhurst, IL 60126.

Happy Birthday to **Harry Boerman** (86) on November 4, **Cindy Wishnew** (91) on November 8, **Dick Brichta** (89) on November 10 and **Grace Lanenga** (95) on November 11.

OFFERINGS

Today: AM: Faith General Fund. **PM:** Gideons.

November 5: AM: Faith Promise Missionaries.

PM: World Renew-World Hunger.

November 12: AM: Timothy Tuition Assistance Fund.

PM: Back to God Ministries.

November 19: AM: Faith General Fund.

PM: United Community Concerns Association.

November 26: AM: Elim Christian Services. **PM:** Love, Inc.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are looking for families or individuals to be part of our Christmas Giving Tree ministry. If you know of someone who may be struggling, and you would like to have them blessed with a gift, please contact Judy Bronger prior to November 12 with their information. They do not have to be part of our church family. They could be a friend, neighbor or co-worker. Information will be kept confidential.

Faith Church will be participating in the Angel Tree program again this year. In preparation, we're looking for volunteers to call or text recipient families during the next few weeks. All materials and a script will be provided to you and calls can be made at times that are convenient for you from the comfort of your home. Please contact the church office if you can help, 630-279-1776 or office@faithelmhurst.

Have you ever wanted to participate in a serve project but just don't have the time? Why not consider helping with P.A.D.S.? It only requires a few hours of your time, and it's right in your backyard, no passport or shots required. We serve once a month through May and you can help as often as you like. Sign-up sheets for November 4 & 5 are in the Fellowship Hall. If you have any questions please contact Lambert or Judy Bronger, 630-664-9422. Thank you.

Christianity and Islam: On November 5 and 12, Dr. Derke Bergsma will be leading a two-week class on Christianity and Islam. Building on last year's *Understanding Islam* course, these two sessions will focus on understanding the Crusades and other Christian-Muslim confrontation, and on discerning similarities and contrasts between Christianity and Islam. The course will meet after the morning service.

Calling all men! Our Men's Chorus is scheduled to sing on November 12 and also on Thanksgiving. Please consider being part of this group to bring honor and glory to God in these worship services. To prepare to sing on these 2 Sundays, we will rehearse on November 5, 12, and 19 after morning worship (and of course after coffee). We would love to see you there!

The Faith Book Club has chosen *Rescuing the Gospel: the Story and Significance of the Reformation* by Dr. Erwin Lutzer, former senior pastor for the Moody Church in Chicago, for discussion at their next meeting. You are welcome to join us on November 8 at 7:00 PM at Park Place.

Creative Connections will be held on Thursday, November 9 from 6:30 - 9:30 PM. Let it snow! Create a 10x10" string art snowflake accent piece to sit on your mantel or hang on your wall this holiday season. Cost is \$6.50. Please bring a hammer and a needle nose pliers. Sign up today in the narthex to reserve your spot. If you need a night out to craft with other women but want to bring your own craft, we would love to have you join us! For more information please contact Susan Middel, 630-656-2801.

Serve Trip Sub Sale: The Gathering high school youth group is doing their annual sub sale to raise money for their Summer Serve trip to Puerto Vallarta, Mexico this July. Every 10 you buy—get one free! You can pick your subs up from 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM at church on November 11 or they will be placed in the church freezer. Signup sheets are available in the narthex and orders can also be placed online in Youth section of the church's website.

We are collecting Christmas cards for prisoners who are taking part in Crossroads Prison Ministry's Bible study programs. Cards will be collected through November 12. You can find a list of the guidelines that we must follow in the sign-up area in the narthex or on the piano in the Fellowship Hall. There will be a box on the piano for your cards. If you have any questions, please contact Judy Bronger, 630-665-9422.

Join us for a special Senior's event at church on November 21 featuring a presentation by historian Leslie Goddard on the life of Eleanor Roosevelt. A catered lunch will be served in the Fellowship Hall at 11:30 AM with the presentation following. Reservations are required. There is a sign-up sheet available in the narthex or you can call the church office to make reservations. The cost for this event is \$22 and payment can be made to the church office or to Cathy Bulthuis. If you have any questions regarding this event, please contact Cathy Bulthuis, 630-935-1849.

All God's Children, Honduras Service Opportunity: January 27 - February 3, 2018. James 1:27: *Pure religion is looking after orphans in their distress.* Do you like to hold little hands? Are you a Hugger? Well, we will have many opportunities to do just that while serving the children and ministries of All Gods Children in Comayagua, Honduras. Please prayerfully consider joining us for a week of Fellowship, Service and Fun. Please contact Bob Loerop, 630-988-2625 or gtobob@aol.com for details/questions or concerns.

Complimentary Directory Photos have arrived! If you didn't receive yours in your home mailbox, please check the signup counter for your family photo.

YOUTH NEWS

Gathering Bonfire and S'mores: High school students are invited to join us from 7:00 – 9:00 PM on October 29 at the Barney's house (1080 S. Prospect Ave.).

Asylum: Middle Schoolers are invited to join us on select Fridays at church for games, Bible study and small groups. Our next meeting is this Friday, November 3. Drop off and pickup at church. Bring your Bible and a friend!

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!

Summer Serve Trip: All current 8-12th graders are invited to join us for our service trip to Puerto Vallarta, Mexico from July 7-14, 2018. Registration is available online and due by November 12. Cost: \$450.

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

Sunday School meets in the sanctuary at 10:45 AM.
Middle & High School Catechism meet in room 1-3 at 10:45 AM.
The Sermon Discussion Group will meet in room 4/5 at 11:00 AM.
The Gathering Bonfire at 7:00 PM at the Barney's home next to church.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1

Men's Prayer Group will meet from 7:00 - 8:00 AM.
Bible Study Fellowship begins at 9:15 AM.
Cadets & Jr. Cadets will meet from 6:30 - 8:30 PM.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2

Women's Bible Study will meet at 9:00 AM.
Women's Bible Study will meet at 7:00 PM.

SERVING FAITH CHURCH

Welcome Team: Dave Printz **Next Week:** Herm Vander Naald
Saratoga Driver: Randy Van Dahm **Next Week:** Marv Tazelaar
Kitchen: Val Hoving, Mary Huizinga*, Gary & Lisa Vander Naald
 Next Week: Ed & Kim Biesboer*, Bob & Sharon Herlien
Library: Chuck Slinkman **Next Week:** Nancy Boer, Sharon Herlien
Audio Visual: Sue Folkerts, Mike Speelman, Chris Slinkman
 Next Week: Steve David, Ryan Swanson, Ryan David
Nursery Hostess: Mindy Slinkman **Next Week:** Allison Sowers
Infant Nursery: Kathleen Glaubke, Harma Slinkman, Etta Veenstra
 Next Week: Dorothy Allen, Charis Engel, Riley Wieringa
Toddler Nursery: Sue Dillon, Christina Muruato, Emma Dillon
 Next Week: Cindy Tazelaar, Cindy Vander Naald, Grace Lindemulder
PM Nursery: Jill Veenstra, Grace Veenstra
 Next Week: Grace Harbaugh, Sharon Rozendal