

Gathered to Worship

Prelude

Welcome and God's Greeting

Song of Worship:

"Our God"

Relying on Grace

New Member Welcome:

Scott Bryant

Prayer

Songs of Worship:

"O Love that Will Not Let Me Go"

#40 (PH)

"The Lord My Shepherd Holds Me"

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

Giving with Thanks

Offertory Prayer

Offering:

Faith Promise Missionaries

Hearing God's Word

Scripture:

Judges 6 (p. 238)

Sermon:

THE PERFECT PATH TO PREVAILING PEACE

Prayer

Blessed to Serve

Song of Response: #427:1-3 (PH)

"I Need Thee Every Hour"

Benediction

Doxology: #950 (LH)

"Go Now in Peace"

Postlude

Leading us in Worship

Worship Leaders:

Pastors Lanser and Schuringa

Sermon:

Pastor Greg Schuringa

Organ:

Donna Erdman

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: #234 (WC)

Forever Praise:

"Christ the Lord is Risen Today"

"The Spirit Sings" ...Mark Hayes

"Peace Like a River" ...Joel Raney

God Speaks to His People

Scripture:

1 Peter 3:8-18 (*p. 1202*)

Sermon:

IT'S ALL GOOD

Prayer

Song of Response: #472:1,2 (WC)

"Nothing But the Blood of Jesus"

We Express Our Gratitude

Offertory Prayer

Offering:

Luke Society

Forever Praise:

"Declare Your Maker's Praise" ...Lloyd Larson

"Only Believe" ...Paul Rader

"The Prayer" ...Tom Fettke

We Go Out with God's Blessing

Benediction

Doxology: #97:1-2 (WC)

Postlude

"He is Lord"

Leading us in Worship

Worship Leader:

Pastor Greg Schuringa

Sermon:

Pastor Matthew Lanser

Organ:

Donna Erdman

Piano:

Jan Slinkman

Special Music:

Forever Praise

Director:

Patti Nyien

Piano:

Carolyn Gloff

Oboe:

Jacqueline Jellison-Landis

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

Today at Faith

This morning we continue in our sermon series on the book of Judges: *Silver Linings in Dark Ages* with the account of a judge and deliverer named Gideon. In Judges 6 the focus is on the intense oppression of God's people during Gideon's time and how the Lord calls him into His service.

Also this morning we look forward to welcoming Scott Bryant to membership at Faith. Scott is married to Staci, a current member, and, over time, after getting married, he has felt called to join Faith CRC too. Praise the Lord!

This evening our *Hope for the Journey* series continues with 1 Peter 3:8-18. Our musical guests, *Forever Praise*, will sing a number of songs during the service.

Upcoming Worship Highlights

November 11, 9:30 AM: Men's Chorus sings;
Veteran's Day Remembrance after worship
November 22, 10 AM: Thanksgiving Day worship
November 25, 6 PM: Dr. Derke Bergsma preaches

Offerings

Today: AM: Faith Promise Missionaries. PM: Luke Society.
November 11: AM: Partners Worldwide. PM: Unity Christian School.
November 18: AM: Timothy Tuition Assistance. PM: Resonate Global Mission.
November 22: Various Causes.
November 25: AM: Faith General Fund. PM: Bible League International.

Prayer & Praise

If you have prayer needs, please visit room 14 on the south side of the sanctuary after the morning service.

Tom Allen went to be with his Lord this past Tuesday. We extend our Christian sympathy to his wife, **Dorothy**, and siblings, **Sandy & Scott Roelofs** and **Jim & Jody Allen**, and the extended family. A funeral service was held yesterday.

We extend our Christian sympathy to **Wilma Vos** following the death of her husband **Elmer Vos**. A funeral was held on Tuesday. Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

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

"Thank you to everyone at Faith who sent cards and expressed your sympathy on Mom's passing, Shirley Vroom. We feel blessed to be in this caring family of God."
Barb & Rich Vroom

"We thank our family at Faith for all of the kindnesses and well wishes that we received after Winnie's recent surgery. We would also like to thank Pastors Lanser and Schuringa for their visits and support during the time of healing. It is great to be part of the family of Faith."
Winnie & Pete Van Tholen

Upcoming Music Opportunities

Please take note of the following music opportunities for special services. Please sign up in the narthex if you plan to attend and contact Jan or Donna if you have any questions. **Music has been placed in your mailbox.** If the musician in your family is away at college, please get the music to them and let them know of these upcoming services.

Veterans Day (November 11) Rehearsals:

November 4: Men's Chorus, 11:00 AM

Thanksgiving Rehearsals:

November 11: Men's Chorus, 11:00 AM; Orchestra, 4:00 PM

November 18: Men's Chorus, 11:00 AM; Orchestra, 4:00 PM

Christmas Rehearsals:

December 9: Choir, 11:00 AM; Orchestra, 4:00 PM

December 16: Choir, 11:00 AM; Orchestra, 4:00 PM

December 23: Choir, 11:00 AM; Orchestra, 4:00 PM

Announcements

Welcome to *Forever Praise*, a Christian Community Choir from Oak Brook, IL, who will join us in worship tonight. Directed by Patti Nyien and accompanied by Carolyn Gloff, *Forever Praise* is a choir of members from various churches that developed into a concert ministry. Thank you for bringing hope and joy to many by singing together for the Lord.

Seniors' Bible Study will meet this Tuesday, November 6 at 1:15 PM. We'll continue our *Generosity* study with Lesson 4: "Generosity and Ministry."

The Right to Life Committee has provided Right to Life Voter's Guides. You can pick one up in the Narthex or at the Right to Life display in the Fellowship Hall. You are allowed to take these guides with you into the voting booth. In our voting, let's affirm the dignity and worth of every human life.

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.

Cadets/GEMs Annual Roller Skating Party: Everyone (Cadets, GEMs, friends, parents) is welcome to roller skate on Saturday, November 10 from 4:00 - 6:00 PM at the Lombard Roller Rink (201 22nd St. Lombard, IL 60148). Cost is \$7.00 per roller skater. Skate rental is available at additional cost if you do not have your own. Skates will be checked at the door for approval by Lombard Roller Rink. Cadets and GEMs wearing their uniforms will receive a coupon for a free soft drink.

College exam and military care packages: Everyone is welcome to donate items for our young adults. Boxes will be sent out the week after Thanksgiving. To donate, please drop off items (such as snacks, pens, toiletries, candy, gum, post-its) to Jonathan's office by Sunday, November 25. Please contact Laura Miller at lauramiller289@comcast.net if you have any questions. Thank you!

We will begin collecting Christmas cards for Crossroads Prison Ministries' Send-A-Card program. These cards are distributed to men and women in prison who are studying the Bible through courses offered by Crossroads. Please follow the guidelines issued from Crossroads. More information can be found on the sign up counter in the Narthex, or contact Judy Bronger, 630-665-9422 if you have any questions. Cards can be placed in the container on the piano in the Fellowship Hall. Cards will be collected from October 25 through November 11.

Sub Sale: November 17. 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM. Come out and support the youth ministry! All funds collected not only go to the summer service trip but to all retreat and youth ministry events. Sub pick up will be from 10-11:30 AM (otherwise we'll put yours in the church fridge/freezer). Subs cost \$5. Buy 10 subs get 1 free, every 15, get 2 free! These sandwiches freeze very well and are great for lunches!

Faith Book Club has selected *The Magnolia Story* by Chip & Joanna Gaines for discussion at the next meeting. This book gives a detailed look at their life together from their very first renovation to the project that nearly cost them everything. Our next meeting will be November 20 at 7:00 PM at Park Place. Newcomers are welcome!

Creative Connections: Join us Thursday, November 29 from 6:30 - 10:00 PM. We will be making three rustic wooden Christmas trees. They are a fun set to add to your home this holiday season and are perfect for a little farmhouse touch. Each piece is approximately 4.25" x 13". Cost: \$5.00, sign up in the narthex. All women are welcome to join us for an evening of fellowship and crafting and are encouraged to bring a friend or neighbor. Please feel free to contact Susan Middel, 630-656-2801 should you have any questions.

Giving Tree - We are looking for families or individuals that we can help this Christmas. They do not have to be part of our church family. They can be friends, neighbors, co-workers, etc. Please provide their name and telephone number to one of our Deacons or Judy Bronger. All information will be kept confidential. We need this information by November 18. If you have any questions call Judy, 630-665-9422. Thank you.

Ebenezer Christmas Gift Drive: This year our church will be collecting Christmas gifts for the families who make use of Ebenezer CRC's food pantry in Berwyn. We'll be accepting new and gently used toys for a variety of age levels. More details will follow in coming weeks. Contact Pete Holtrop, Evangelism Committee Chair, or Pastor Matthew with questions.

Youth News

Summer Service-Learning Trip: All current 8th – 12th graders are invited to join us on a service trip to Memphis, TN the week of July 14-21. We will be staying at a church and ministering to an underserved Memphis neighborhood through home repair and leadership development. **Registration extended—due December 2. However, please email Jonathan today at Jbarney@faithelmhurst.org** to let him know if your student is likely to go so they can participate in fundraising. Cost: \$250.

Asylum Bowling, Arcade and Laser Tag @ Main Event on November 30: We will meet at the church at 6:30 PM for arranged rides. Return approx. 9:30 PM. Cost includes pizza snack & beverage: \$17. Release form required.

This Week at Faith

Today, November 4

Sunday School & Catechism; 10:45 AM
Men's Chorus; Choir Room at 11:00 AM
Sermon Discussion Group; 11:00 AM in room 4/5
The Gathering; 7:00 PM

Monday, November 5

Executive Committee; 6:30 PM
Deacons; 6:30 PM
Elders; 7:00 PM

Tuesday, November 6

Senior Bible Study; 1:15 PM.

Wednesday, November 7

Men's Prayer Group; 7:00 - 8:00 AM
Bible Study Fellowship; 9:00 AM
Cadets & Jr. Cadets; 6:30 - 8:30 PM

Thursday, November 8

Mom2Mom; 9:00 AM

Saturday, November 10

Men's Breakfast; 7:30 AM
Cadets & GEMS Skating Party; 4:00 PM

Serving Faith Church

Welcome Team: Maria Kearney **Next Week:** Ted Vander Naald
Kitchen: Jim & Kathleen Lindemulder*, Byron & Cathy Plate
Next Week: Val Hoving, Mary Huizinga, Gary & Lisa Vander Naald*
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, Logan Van Proyen, Adam Zarek
Nursery Hostess: Nicole Huizinga **Next Week:** Kelly Rauwerda
Infant Nursery: Charis Engel, Cindy Vander Naald, Grace Lindemulder
Next Week: Karen Folkerts, Laura Van Kampen, Sharon Rozendal
Toddler Nursery: Rebecca Anderson, Chelsea Barney, Will Hoving
Next Week: Diana De Boer, Nicole Huizinga, Leah De Boer
PM Nursery: Julie Speelman, Grace Veenstra
Next Week: Laura Lanser, Bethany Voss