

Welcome

April 1, 2018

We're glad you're here! You are invited to fill out a blue welcome card from the pew rack and place it in the offering basket. Please don't feel obligated to make a donation during our offering. Join us for refreshments after church in the Fellowship Hall (go left as you exit).

This Week

Today:

8:45 am Morning Prayer - Rm 2
9:30 am Worship
11:00 am No Church School or choir today.

Mon:

6:30 pm Prayer Group
6:55 pm Women's Bible Study Fellowship

Tues:

7:00 pm Elders

Weds:

6:30 pm GEMS

Thurs:

7:00 pm Card Ministry
Prayer Commitment - Mwaya & Munyiva W, Africa

Our Church Family

John K is out of the hospital and appreciates all of the prayers and concerns for him.

Bruce & Jan V will be volunteering with World Renew Disaster Response Services April 7—28, repairing homes in Tarboro, NC due to Hurricane Matthew in 2016. To encourage them, you may send notes to: World Renew – DRS, 2909 N. Main, Tarboro, NC 27886

Pastor Chris and Kim P's contact information is:

Announcements

Council Nominations: Member approval ballots are in mailboxes today. Nominees for Deacon are: Rich D, Wes S, Bryan S, Karen V, Julie V, and Debra V. Elder nominees are: John A, Jim D, Neal M, Glenda V, and Tom V. Please vote yes or no for each nominee and return your ballot to the box in the foyer by next Sunday. Selection is on April 15.

Card Ministry meets on Thurs., April 5, at 7:00 pm. Please contact Chris S if you are coming.

Coming Soon! Faith Library will reopen next Sunday. Books (some audio) and DVDs are available for all ages and interests. We will no longer have music CDs. These CD's, along with discarded Bible Reference materials, will be available for a suggested donation of \$1.00 each. A Library Trivia Quiz is in your mailbox. Bring it to the library next week to find out the correct answers and receive a prize.

Seeds of Faith: Are you interested in helping out or learning more about Faith's garden? We will have a meeting next Sunday after church in the West overflow to discuss ideas and make plans for the coming season. Questions? Contact Debbie V.

Shipwrecked VBS: Venture onto an uncharted island! Vacation Bible School is planned for July 9-13 from 6-8:30pm. Sign up to help on the bulletin board in the hall. Contact Julie V or Carla W.

Rides for Seniors: volunteers are needed to give some of our Seniors rides to church and back, either on a rotating basis or as a sub. Contact Jan V.

Compassion Team: If you are interested in being included on a "Compassion" (visiting) Team to assist the elders & Pastor Chris, please contact Bruce V.

Offerings today: *World Renew* - an organization of the Christian Reformed Church which responds to the needs of people around the world who are suffering from poverty, hunger, disaster, and injustice. *Missions & Outreach* - support of Faith's missionaries and other programs, including Journey of Joy and Vacation Bible School.

Worship Service: 9:30 am
Pastor Chris' First Sunday at Faith

April 1, 2018
Easter Sunday

1 Corinthians 15:12-28:
Easter is Everything!

Prelude
Christ candle returns

Welcome
*God's Greeting
*We Greet Each Other
*Call to Worship
Glory to Our Risen King – Choir

*Easter Praise: See, What a Morning
*The Church's Statement of Faith
*Easter Praise:
Low in the Grave Christ Lay (gray hymnbook # 396: 1,3)
Christ the Lord is Risen Today #388: 1-3

Confession
Assurance of Pardon
Because He Lives – Choir

Children's Message
(Children age 3-K leave for Walk-Out Worship downstairs;
guests welcome!)

Announcements
Prayers of the People

Offerings: 1) World Renew 2) Missions & Outreach
Offertory: *Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks* # 402
Bible Reading: 1 Corinthians 15: 12-28, 50-58 (page 1789)

Message – “Easter is Everything”
Prayer
*Song of Response: *I Serve a Risen Savior* #405

Invitation to Sing the Hallelujah Chorus
*Blessing
*Hallelujah Chorus

Message: Pastor Chris P

+Burial in Jesus' time—The practice of an ossuary (bone box).

1 Cor.15.12-19: Paul highlights what it would mean if Jesus Christ wasn't raised from the dead:

1. V.14 “*If Christ has not been raised, our preaching is useless.*”
2. V.14 not only that but as Paul says, “*your faith is worthless.*”
3. V. 15 “*More than that, we are then found to be false witnesses about God=liars!*”
4. V.16-17 “*Your faith is futile; you are still in your sins..*”
5. V. 18 “*Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ are lost.*”
6. V. 19 “*If only for this life we have hope in Christ, we are to be pitied more than all*”

“*Proclamation of the resurrection of Jesus isn't nearly everything Christians have to offer the world, but it's the platform for everything they have to offer.*” +Neal Plantinga

*How are you standing and building on the platform of the resurrection of Jesus?

But Christ has been raised from the dead...

1-Our preaching/ministry has purpose & power because Christ has been raised from the dead.

2-We do not lie when we declare Jesus is risen. Rather we bear the single most important truth in the history of the world.

3-Our faith is an extension of the resurrection.

4- We have and we proclaim that there is hope for humanity.

5-We need *not* be pitied more than anyone else in the world for our story is true.

Verses 24-28

Resurrection is cosmic in scope. Easter is panoramic. Widescreen. Not only does the resurrection make a *world of difference* for Christ's followers. It has and will make the *world itself* fundamentally different.

The “So-What” of Easter for us now (v. 58)

“*As a result of all this, my loved brothers and sisters, you must stand firm, unshakable, excelling in the work of the Lord as always, because you know that your labor isn't going to be for nothing in the Lord.*”

Opportunities to Serve

Today

Greeters & coffee servers

Ken & Val H
Lucian & Jasmine I
Bill & Marilyn J

Roving

John H
Mark T

After church

George Z
John D
Jerry D

Ushers

John H
Fred H
Bill G

Nursery

Andy S
Chris S
Andie S

Walk-out worship

Lauren G
Luke L

Librarian

Library reopens April 8

Coffee setup

Mitzee D, Carrie W

Open & close church

Mark T & Jim D

Offerings

Next week

Bert & Roberta K
John & Bev H

Sandee D
Jan V

Mark T
Dave P
Dave V

Sam V
Dave P
Pete V

Jan B
Amy S
Auggie S

Mary Beth F
Hannah V

Dawn T

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