

Welcome

April 8, 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
10:45 am Seeds of Faith garden meeting
10:55 am Choir
11:00 am Church School
11:10 am Adult Church School

Mon:

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

Tues:

7:00 pm Deacons

Thurs:

8:30 -11:00 am BREATHE women's retreat for women of all ages
Prayer Commitment - Caspar & Leanne G, Honduras

Our Church Family

Pastor Chris and Kim P's contact info is:

Announcements

New elders and deacons will be chosen next Sunday. Ballots must be returned to the box in the foyer TODAY. Deacon nominees 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.

Announcements, cont.

Elders Report: We met Tuesday with Pastor Chris for the first time. We received membership papers of Kyle and Andrea D from Sully CRC and St. Andrew Presbyterian Church in Iowa City, IA. They will be welcomed at a service soon. We also received requests to transfer memberships of those who have moved away - Justin & Emily H and family to the Fuller Avenue CRC in Grand Rapids, Steven and Deb K to Grace CRC and Jessica, Nathan and Samantha to Monroe Community CRC, both in Grand Rapids; Jessica D (H) to Faith Church, Dyer and Amy K to Missio Dei Church in New Lenox. We will miss them, but praise God that they found new churches where they will continue to serve Christ. Received reports from Pastor Chris and Worship. It was noted what a blessing our Holy week services were and we thank all who were involved. A decision was finalized to reinstate an Executive Committee to give immediate attention to important decisions. Members will be the President and VP of council and chairman of the deacons. We discussed district contacts and closed in prayer for our congregation. Next meeting is May 1, 2018.

Budget Update: In an effort to keep the congregation informed on where we stand with our giving vs. the approved 2018 budget, the deacons put an update in mailboxes.

The Wait is Over! Faith Library has reopened today with a bar code scan system to check out resources. Music CDs and Bible Reference books are available for a suggested donation of \$1. Bring your Library Trivia Quiz to find the correct answers and receive a small prize.

Seeds of Faith Garden: Join us for a meeting in the West Overflow after church today if you would like to help or to find out more. See Debbie V.

Shipwrecked VBS: Sign up today on the bulletin board in the hall to help with Vacation Bible School this summer, July 9-13 from 6-8:30 pm.

Adult Church School: Join us at 11:10 am today in the library to view the video, "Confronting the Empire", filmed at Thessaloniki, in Greece.

Offerings: *SW Chr. School Partnership Fund* – helping to make Christian education available to the children of Faith. *General Fund* – provides for the operation of Faith Church, incl. wages, building utilities/upkeep, committee expenses, and our share of classis & denom. expenses.

Rooted: Tonight at 6:00 in the Ozinga Chapel lobby at Trinity is the last Rooted service of the school year, featuring the Trinity Gospel Choir.

Worship Service: 9:30 am
First Sunday of Eastertide

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Acts 1:1-11
Called to Be the Church

Prelude

Christ candle enters

*Welcome

*God's Greeting

*We Greet Each Other

*Call to Worship

Songs of Praise:

Majesty – Choir

Christ is Risen, He is Risen Indeed

Be Still, for the Presence of the Lord

Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Statement of Our Faith: *Credo – Choir*

Children's Message

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

Announcements

Prayers of the People

Offerings: 1) Southwest Chr. School Partnership Fund 2) Gen. Fund

Offertory: *Draw Me Close*

*Song of Preparation: *Breathe on Me, Breath of God, v. 1*

Prayer of Illumination

Bible Reading: Acts 1:1-11 (page 1690)

Message: "Called to Be the Church"

Prayer of Application

*Song of Response: *Breathe on Me, Breath of God, v. 2*

*Sending and Blessing

Our World Belongs to God

*Sending Song: *Go to the World*

Postlude

Message: Pastor Chris P

Luke—Acts: Story of Jesus Continues

+Acts is a "sequel" that picks up where Luke leaves off (ever see a movie like this?)

+The story of Jesus continues in Act in and through the people of God.

Disciples and Their Questions

+Those close to Jesus often miss the kingdom (Jesus hit hard Kingdom lessons after Easter).

→ Are you going to restore the Kingdom to Israel now?

+Jesus redirection: There is work to do now (v. 7-8) *You will be my witnesses....*

+It's not that the church has a mission, but rather that the mission has a church. We join Jesus on His mission.

Jesus Gives work to people

+Jesus gives work and responsibility back. In a very practical sense the disciples can just stay as "students" - they are sent ones (Apostles).

+How does one become a Mormon, Communist, or Jehovah's Witness? (Story)

But Wait.

+Before all of this *going, doing and being is waiting and receiving* (v.8)

"Do we work first & ask God to bless our efforts or do we pray first & ask God to show us how to work?" +John DeVries *Why Pray*

*What does waiting & receiving the Holy Spirit mean for you and for us?

Opportunities to Serve

Today

Greeters & coffee servers

Bert & Roberta K
John & Bev H

Roving

Sandee D
Jan V

After church

Mark T
Dave P
Dave V

Ushers

Sam V
Dave P
Pete V

Nursery

Becky T
Gary T
Hannah V

Walk-out worship

Mary Beth F
Hannah V

Librarian

Dawn T

Coffee setup

Mitzee D
Carrie W

Open & close church

Mark T
Jim D

Offerings: *Last week*

General Fund
World Renew
Missions & Outreach

Next week

Dave & Sue L
Neal & Nancy M
Nancy M

Dave P
Dave V

Sandee D
Jan V
Fred H

Dave V
Bill B
Fred S

Sue H
Glenda V
Heidi V

Tom V
Cindy V

Nancy T

Next week

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