

Welcome

August 12, 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

Mon:

6:30 pm Prayer Group

Tues:

7:00 pm Deacons

Weds:

6:30 pm GEMS Counselors

Save the Date: Church Picnic – Sunday, August 26

Prayer Commitment - Jena & Reynold P - Bahrain

This Time Tomorrow - John H & Master Auto Supply in Frankfort

Our Church Family

Barb H's brother, Jon, is home and doing very well. With his continuing therapy, he could make a complete recovery. The family is very grateful to God, our Great Physician, who brought him and the family through this time. Thank you for all your thoughts and prayers over the last month.

Eleanor R's son Ken, age 42, was diagnosed with a mass on his pancreas on Wednesday. Tests results are pending.

Upcoming Worship Services

Aug 19 Questions Jesus Asks: "Do You Believe?" John 11
COMMUNION

Aug 26 Questions Jesus Asks: "What Do You Want?" Matthew 20:21

Announcements

The Elders met on Tuesday. We received a request to transfer Don and Gail K's membership to Grace Fellowship in Oak Forest and received the transfer of the P's membership from Cedar Hill CRC in Wyckoff, NJ. Both were approved. Received reports from Pastor Chris of his activities in July and the worship team. We are proceeding with our search for the worship director position. Work will begin soon on the SWCCS bus garage with the entire project being on their property. Spent time in prayer for our congregation and members and their families. Our next meeting will be September 4.

Walk Out Worship will not meet during the month of August.

Picture Directory: If you have not turned in an information sheet for the church pictorial directory, please fill one out at the table in the fellowship hall after church. We also need you to send a digital picture to faithcrcdirectory@gmail.com ASAP. Stop by the table and let us know if you need a family picture taken - Aug. 19 & 26 after church.

Faith Church Picnic: Plan to stay after church on Sunday, Aug. 26 for our picnic on the church lawn. There will be hamburgers, hot dogs, games, water balloons, bean bags, etc. Those with last names A - M are asked to bring a salad or side dish, N - Z are asked to bring a dessert. Contact Lindsey H or Karen V if you can help with grilling, set-up food, and tables and chairs Sunday morning or help with clean-up.

Seeds of Faith Garden: Our garden is producing a lot of vegetables that are being distributed to different missions, families in need and our church members. If you are growing more in your own garden than you can use, we would be glad to take your excess and add it to the food being sent out to people in need. We work out of the kitchen in the basement. Feel free to drop off your produce there either on Sunday or during the week and it will go to good use.

Legos Wanted: Do you have Legos (and Lego people) that aren't being used? Consider donating them to Walk Out Worship. Place them in the box under the mailboxes by the nursery.

HOPE Packs: Information about the Elim HOPE Packs drive, which starts today, is in your mailbox. No need to shop for school supplies. Donations accepted in the box in the foyer until August 26.

Worship Service: 9:30 am

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Message Notes

Prelude
Welcome
*Praise Time
 Open the Eyes of My Heart
 Reckless Love
 God Greeting
 We Greet Each Other
 How He Loves

Time of Confession
Assurance of Pardon

This Time Tomorrow

Children's Message

Bible Reading: John 5:1-15 (page 1653)
Message: *Questions Jesus Asks: "Do You Want to Be Well?"*
Prayer
*Song of Response: *Mighty to Save*

Announcements
Prayers of the People

Offering: Pastor Church Resources
Offertory: *The Lord's Prayer*

*Blessing
*Doxology: *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*

Message: Pastor Chris P

John 5:6
Questions Jesus Asks: *Do you want to be well?*

The Question

The man has been in this condition for 38 years.
Do you want to be 'whole'? Now that seems like an odd question, doesn't it?

Jesus asks the question of you, "Do you want to be well?"

Sometimes we actually enjoy brokenness.

This question reminds us that there are places we are not well or whole.

There are places we are sick, sinful, hurting, and broken.
Forgiveness? Physical healing....?

Change looks good, but we are not sure it's worth the price...

Sometimes this is our true answer to Jesus question today; "No. Really, I guess I don't. I guess when it comes down to it, I prefer things to be the way they are."

God has a way of stepping in and bringing shalom to our broken situations.

*Do you expect, believe, trust and live with that notion?

**Where have you experienced this wholeness in your life—maybe worth reflecting on in your Ebenezer Book...*

Like the man by the pool. We keep our attention fixed on the means which are within our reach...[Then God] contrary to expectation, displays his hand from hidden places, and thus shows how far his goodness goes beyond the narrow limits of our faith. ~ John Calvin

Opportunities to Serve

Today

Greeters & coffee servers

Rich & Donna D
Penny D
Jim & Jeff D

Roving & after church

Fred H
Wes S
Karen V

Ushers

John H
Elaine H
John H

Nursery

Chris S
Roberta K
Hannah V

Walk-out worship

no WOW during August

Librarian

Donna A

Garden – Aug. 12-18

Lindsey H
Carla W

Coffee setup – August

Karen V
Gwen A

Open & close church – August

Rich D
Ken S

Offerings: Last week

General Fund:
Back to God Ministries:

Next week

Brad & Lindsey H
Mitzee D
Pete & Norma D

Bob D
Dave V
Sandee D

Brad H
Dave L
Dave P

Dawn T
Sara W
Eva B

Nancy T
Aug. 19-25
John D
Mitzee D

Next week

CRC Annual Day of Justice



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