

Welcome

September 9, 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 donate 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
10:55 am Choir – new members welcome!
11:10 am Adult Church School in the library. All are welcome!

Mon:

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

Tues:

7:00 pm Deacons

Prayer Commitment - Caspar & Leanne G, Honduras

Our Church Family

Alice W's sister, Rachel S, died Aug. 27 at the age of 102.

Bill G's dad, Bill G, age 97, passed away Wednesday. The funeral was held yesterday.

Caspar G, our Honduras missionary, received the news that he is cancer free after some alarming test results were later diagnosed as fungal issues. He received antibiotics and returned to Honduras Friday.

Happy Birthday to Rita V, who will celebrate her 97th birthday on Thursday, September 13!

Hendrik and Theissen D, twin sons of Kyle and Andrea, will be baptized next Sunday.

Opportunities to Serve

Today

Greeters & coffee servers

John & Elaine H
Kyle & Andrea D
Andy & Chris S

Roving & after church

Sandee D
Brad W
Fred H

Ushers

Bob D
Greg F
Tom V

Nursery

Jan B
Deanne S
Matthew V

Walk-out worship

Mary D
John D

Librarian

Nancy T

Garden –Sept. 9-15

Marilynn J
Elaine H

Coffee setup – Sept

George & Bev D
Norma D

Open & close church – Sept

Dale V
Jeff D

Offerings: Last week

General Fund
Gideons

Next week

Fred & Barb H
John & Bev H
Morgan & Donna A

Dave P
Jan V
Wes S

Bernie B
Bill B
Pete D

Jan F
Kim W
Kelsey W

Mary Beth F
Donna A

Alice W
Sept. 16-22
Lindsey H
Carla W

Next week

Resonate Global Mission

Worship Service: 9:30 am

Prelude

Welcome

*God's Greeting

*We Greet Each Other

*Invitation to Worship

*Song of Praise: *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

Children's Message

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

Announcements

Prayers of the People

Bible Reading: Jeremiah 18: 1-16 (page 1203)

Message: *Does God Really Care about Me?*

*Song: The Potter's Hand (solo and congregation)

Prayer

Communion

Bread – *I Surrender All*

Wine - *He Leadeth Me*

Offering: Calvin Theological Seminary, Grand Rapids, MI

During offering: *He is Lord* vs. 1-3

*Blessing

*Sending Song: *He is Lord* vs. 4

Message: Pastor Gerry E

*Communion Note: We serve only gluten-free bread to accommodate those with allergies

Message Notes

Does God Really Care about Me?

Jeremiah 18: 1-16 (page 1203)

Guest Pastor Gerry E

Upcoming Worship Services

Sept 16 Faith Formation Series: "Faith & Unfaith"

Luke 8:22-25, Mark 9:24-24

Sept 23 Faith Formation Series: "A Faith That Continues"

2 Timothy 1

Announcements

Today we welcome back Pastor Gerry E, Chaplain at Park Place of Elmhurst. Pastor Chris is on vacation but will be back in the office on Tuesday.

The Elders met on Tuesday, September 4. We received requests from Cassidy B to transfer her baptismal record to Faith United Reformed Church in Beecher, IL so she could make her profession of faith, and Amanda G to transfer her membership to Grace Chicago Church (RCA), Chicago, IL. Both were approved. Received a request from Steven K to transfer his Ecclesiastical Credentials to Grace CRC in Grand Rapids, MI. This was approved and sent on to Chicago Classis South for further approval. Received an oral report from worship team on the Worship coordinator search. Discussed district prayer needs and visits. Closed in time of prayer and singing of the Doxology. Adjourned to October 2.

Choir begins a new season today with rehearsal at 10:55 in the choir room. New members welcome!

Adult Church School: Join us in the library at 11:10am today as we review a new Ray VanderLaan DVD series and discuss what to study this season.

Church School for students will begin next Sunday. Teachers are needed for grades 5-7 and possibly 1st - 3rd. Contact Sam V.

Bulletin: Please have bulletin announcements in by noon on Thursdays. Karen V will be in the office next week.

Trunk or Treat - mark your calendars and invite your kids, grandkids and neighbors to join us Saturday, October 13 from 2-4:00 pm for a FREE day of fun for the whole family - trick or treat from car to car, organized games, food, crafts and touch-a-truck.

Trunk or Treat – Sign up on the bulletin board by the Fellowship Hall to decorate your trunk (lots of ideas online) or sign up to: serve at the beverage/snack table, oversee kids games (games provided), greet people, be a parking attendant or roaming security, setup or take down. We are also accepting food donations of apple cider (store bought), rice krispy treats (store bought), bags of candy to hand out. Please have these donations to the outer office by October 7.

Announcements, cont.

Trunk or Treat Info Bags - we will be putting together information bags (about 150) to hand out at Trunk or Treat. If your group from church or community would like to provide an informational postcard or flyer to include in the bags, please put in the outer office by September 30.

Window washers are needed to clean church windows during the next two weeks. Supplies are in the kitchen. Come when you can. Check the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board outside the Fellowship Hall for what still needs to be done. You may do just the inside or both but please indicate what you cleaned on the sign-up sheet. Ladders available. Thank you! Property Team

The JOJ committee welcomes new members! We meet every other Tuesday. The next meeting is Sept. 18. Contact Carla W for details.

Note: There is a macramé and stone creation hanging on the bulletin board outside the Fellowship Hall by Paolo R and Ruth M, both from Honduras. They have just begun a handcraft business, "BONSAI MANDALA'S HANDCRAFTS", which they hope to support their family. The piece is called, "Upon this rock I will build my church." The rock, from Central America, represents Jesus Christ as the foundation of the church, while the tree represents a growing and vibrant church, built and sustained by God and his people. Caspar and Leanne G write: Please accept this gift as a token of appreciation for your faithful support and partnership with us. To purchase one, contact the G's.

Rooted: Back by popular demand, Trinity Christian College is rebooting "Rooted" for 2018 & 2019 at 6 pm in the Ozinga Grand Lobby on the third Sunday of each month: Sept. 16, Oct. 21, and Nov. 18. Join Trinity students and folks from CRC and RCA churches for a service of singing, testimony, preaching and sharing in the Lord's Supper. The Elders of Hope and Roseland Christian Reformed churches serve as hosts. Rev. Reggie Smith, Dir. of Race Relations and Social Justice for the CRCNA, will preach on Sept. 16. There is room for all.

The 23rd Elim Dutch Festival will be held on Sat., Sept. 22. See details in the Community Activities sheet in mailboxes and the foyer. For more info, call Cheryl D.