

Welcome

October 28, 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
11:00 am Church School
11:10 am Adult Church School in the library
Noon District 3 lunch in the Fellowship Hall

Mon:

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

Tues:

7:00 pm JOJ committee

Thurs:

7:00 pm Bible Study
7:00 pm Card Ministry

Sat:

7-10 am STIR Breakfast Fundraiser

Next Sunday: Nov. 4 – District 2 lunch

Prayer Commitment - Caspar & Leanne G, Honduras

Our Church Family

Linda E's brain tumor is now in a dormant state. She says that "it is only Jesus' hands of healing that could do this. Praise God!"

Frank and Jan F's son, Frank, also received good news! The mass in his lung has shrunk considerably and his lymph nodes are clear!

Wayne H is scheduled to go home from nursing care today.

Pat V needs a place to stay until she goes back to India. If you can give her hospitality for all or part of the next 3 weeks, please contact her.

Betty V has moved to:

Announcements

Tinley Park Food Pantry items will be collected today.

Picture Directory Proofing: There are black and white copies of the new pictorial directory on a table in the Fellowship Hall for editing purposes. Please proof your page and add/edit info as needed. If the info is correct, please write OK on your page.

Pancake Breakfast! Come out and support STIR this Saturday, Nov. 3 from 7:00-10:00 am for yummy pancakes and more! Donations accepted!

Election Day Volunteers Needed: Tues., Nov. 6, Faith Church will serve as a polling place. Are you willing to welcome voters and give directions to the Fellowship Hall & bathrooms? Contact Jan B to pick your time slot (708-532-8300 or tpfaithcrc@sbcglobal.net).

JOJ info: Check your mailbox for the JOJ info sheet. There are some new things this year.

Take time to Breathe. All women are invited to spend Thursday morning, Nov. 8, from 8:30-11 am in quiet listening. Spiritual direction and exercises will be given. Come, be refreshed and nourished. Childcare is offered. Notify Karen V if your children are accompanying you.

Operation Christmas Child: Please return filled Christmas shoeboxes to the designated containers in Faith Library by next Sunday, Nov. 4. Please remember to label your box, write your check to Samaritan's Purse, place it in the envelope that has your contact information, and place the envelope in 1 of the shoeboxes that you have filled. Thank you so much for sharing simple gifts to brighten children's hearts and share the true meaning of Christmas with children and their families. Shoeboxes are still available after church today.

Upcoming Worship Services

Nov 4 Faith Formation Series: "Live Your Baptism" 1 Corinthians 6:9-11

Nov 11 Faith Formation Series: "A Place at The Table" 1 Cor. 11:17-34

Worship Service: 9:30 am
REFORMATION DAY SUNDAY

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Welcome

*God's Greeting

*We Greet Each Other

Call to Worship: Psalm 46

*Hymn of Praise:

God is Our Refuge and Our Strength (gray hymnbook #46: 1,3,4,5)

Our World Belongs to God #34

Hymn of Praise: *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* (#469: 1,2,4)

Our World Belongs to God #35

Hymn of Praise: *The Church's One Foundation*

Confession: *Our World Belongs to God* #40

Assurance of Pardon: *Our World Belongs to God* #39

Choir: *Beside a Stream of Living Water*

Children's Message

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

Statement of Faith – Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 65 and 67

Bible Reading: John 6:41-59 (page 1657)

Message: Faith Formation Series – “Sacrament: More than Ears”

Prayer

*Response: *Spirit of God, Who Dwells within My Heart* (#419: 1, 3, & 5)

Announcements

Prayers of the People

Offering: Resonate Global Mission – denominational agency which sends missionaries throughout the world

*Blessing

*Closing: *Praise God from whom all Blessings Flow*

Message: Pastor Chris P

Message Notes

John 6:41-59

Faith Formation Sacraments—More than Ears

There is a powerful open channel of communication between what we see, taste, touch and smell, and our feeling and imagination, our mind and heart. This is true of life and it is true of our spirituality.

I. Sacramental World: God Speaks through stuff (Not just words)

See Psalm 19 & Psalm 98—both examples of celebrating God's goodness through creation.

“The universe is before our eyes like a beautiful book in which all creatures great and small are letters to make us ponder the invisible things of God; his eternal power and his divinity.” +Belgic Confession Article 2

**What are some of the more recent ways you have encounter God's goodness like this lately?*

II. How Sacraments Work

They are the dynamic exchange between God and his people.

1. We are united with Jesus Christ in the sacraments through the Holy Spirit.

-The sacraments don't give us a general spiritual experience but a specific encounter of Jesus.

2. Sacraments impart God's grace when they are joined with God's Word.

-Think of them as God's body language.

-They make sense only by way of the Word. They also help make sense of the Word (confirm).

3. Sacraments are received through faith.

-Faith receives the benefits that come through the sacraments.

III. Jesus Christ as sacrament?

+John 6 & Jesus talking about himself as bread—giving life and nourishment.

+Sacraments are God coming down to our level to speak & love us, which is what he does in Jesus.

Opportunities to Serve

Today

Greeters & coffee servers

Andy & Chris S
Ken & Deanne S
Bryan & Tiffany S

Roving & after church

George Z
Ken H
Rich D

Ushers

Alex H
Bert K
Bernie S

Nursery

Glenda V
Jan F
Heidi V

Walk-out worship

Tani K
Brooke A

Librarian

Dawn T

Coffee setup – Oct

Mitzee D
Julie V

Open & close church –Oct

John D
Ken S

Offerings: Last week

General Fund
CRC Disability Concerns

Next week

Dave & Linda S
Doug & Dawn T
Gary & Becky T

Dave P
Brad W
Wes S

John H
Elaine H
Mark T

Wilma P
Gwen A
Hanna V

Cindy V
Tom V

Alice W

Nov

John D
Mary D

Nov

Rich D
Peter V

Next week

World Renew - World Hunger



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