

Welcome

January 20, 2019

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

Mon:

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

Tues:

7:00 pm Ministry Board

Thurs:

5:30 pm Community Meal
7:00 pm Bible Study

Sat: 5-7 pm GEMS Taco Supper

Prayer Commitment: Mwaya & Munyiva W, Africa

Our Church Family

Linda E's experimental brain surgery went very well. They were able to remove all of the viable cancer and infuse a virus to help her body fight the cancer. She hopes to be discharged soon and have rehab at Silver Cross. Praise God for this uplifting news!

Joann M is home and receiving home health care. She has lost some motor skills. Please continue to pray for a full recovery.

The Honduras Serve Team is leaving on Saturday. Please pray for health and safety for Marley B, Bob & Cheryl D, Alex & Sandee D, Jim D, Fred & Barb H, and John & Elaine H (along with 20 others). They return Feb. 2.

Announcements

It's Taco Time! Skip dinner prep and let Faith GEMS and counselors serve you tasty tacos and sides followed by scrumptious desserts this Saturday, Jan. 26, 5-7 pm. Donations accepted at the door to help us "Be a Blessing" by supporting GEMS girls' clubs and counselor training in Kenya. Placemat ads are due today. Please give the info and check to Shanna H. Asante (Thank you in Swahili)

Adult Church School: Join us in the library as we view & discuss the new DVD series, "Capernaum: Ministry Headquarters", based on the book: *The Rock, The Road, & The Rabbi* with Kathie Lee Gifford & Rabbi Jason Sobel. All are welcome.

Tinley Park Food Pantry donations will be collected next Sunday.

The 2019 Iron Sharpens Iron-National Men's Equipping Conference is coming Orland Park CRC on Saturday, February 16. This all-day conference is designed to build up and equip men with a variety of seminars geared to Christ-centered living and on-going discipleship. Last year 4 men from Faith CRC attended this conference which attracted over 500 men from the Midwest. Register by Feb. 4 for an early registration discount for groups of 10 or more. Contact Fred H for tickets.

Upcoming Worship Services

Jan 27 "A Holy Humility" Philippians 2:5-11

Feb 3 "A Salvation Work Out" Philippians 2:12-18

Worship Service: 9:30 am

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Prelude

God Gathers His People

*Call to Worship

*God's Greeting

*We Greet Each Other

*Gathering Song – *Our God*

*Confession/Assurance

Songs of Response – *God of This City*

We Hear God's Word

Children's Message

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

Prayer of Illumination – *May the Mind of Christ, My Savior* (#291:1-2, 4)

Bible Reading: Philippians 1:27-2:4 (page 1827)

Message – ***Living the Gospel Together***

Prayer

*Song of Response – *They'll Know We Are Christians*

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Prayer of the People

Offering: Providence Life Services – provides a range of Christian
senior living services in IL, IN, and MI.

During the Offering: *For the One*

God Sends Us with His Blessing

*Statement of Faith (based on Philippians 2:5-11)

*Blessing

*Sending Song – *At Your Name*

Message: Pastor Chris P

Message Notes

Philippians 1:27-2:4

Living the Gospel Together

The gospel is what brings us together holds us together, and moves
us forward together.

Church in Philippi → They were only together because of the gospel.

**What—Living the Gospel Together=Having the Same Mind &
Same Story**

*“Whatever happens, conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the
gospel of Christ.... striving together as one for the faith of the gospel.”*
(v. 27)

Paul is not talking about having the same opinions or pretending that
we do.

Unity is not the goal but the by-product or result of the gospel.

How—The Blessings of the Gospel—Philippians 2:1

1. Encouragement in Jesus Christ—knowing Jesus and being found
in him.
2. We have comfort/consolation of love.
3. The sharing or the fellowship of the Spirit.
4. We share affection and mercy.

The common blessing of the gospel is the same story and same
mind that we live out. This is what holds us together.

Living out the divine drama (a helpful metaphor)

*What matters is that Christians like actors/actresses all focus single-
mindedly on the divine drama that has unfolded before their eyes in
Jesus the king, and is continuing now into the final act with
themselves as the characters. Bringing their thinking into line with
each other wouldn't be any good if they were all thinking something
that was out of line with the gospel. +N.T. Wright*

Gratitude for each other and love put into action: This is what happens
when we focus on Jesus.

Jesus who is humble, self-sacrificing, self-denying, self-giving.

Opportunities to Serve

Today

Greeters & coffee servers

Kyle & Andrea D
Mitzee D
Pete & Norma D

Roving & after church

Jim D
Wes S
Ken H

Ushers

John H
Neal M
Fred S

Nursery

Elaine H
Mitzee D
Hannah V

Walk-out Worship

Mary D
John D

Librarian

Donna A

Coffee setup – Jan.

John H
Bev H

Open & close church – Jan.

Dale V
Jeff D

Offerings

General Fund
SCCS

Next week

Greg & Mary Beth F

Bill & Nancy G

Glenda V
Brad W
Jan V

Greg F
Jerry D
Scott D

Sara W
Dorothy M
Liz B

Mary Beth F
Eva B

Penny D

Feb.

Karen V
Gwen A

Feb.

John D
Ken S

Next week

Benevolence



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