



# Faith Reformed

BOLDLY LIVING GOD'S WORD

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Ric Villa

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\*Greeting One Another

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We offer a cheerful welcome to each worshiper. We're pleased that you're here. We especially greet all veterans, remembering that November 11 is Veteran's Day.

Join us this evening for a special Veteran's Day Service at 6:00 p.m. at Faith Church. The speaker for the evening will be Carl Minnick. Refreshments/fellowship to follow the service.

Today the **Missions/benevolent offering** will be received. The offering this month is for Local Care and also Compassion International. Please give generously to our missions offering

**Cedar Grove Area Food Pantry update** - The pantry will be open again this week Thursday, November 13th from 4:30 to 6:30 PM at Faith Reformed Church. If you know of anyone who could benefit from the food pantry, please let them know about it. If anyone is interested in donating, right now we are low on cereal, canned fruit, pasta sauce, pancake mix, and paper products. (Please check the expiration dates on the food you donate.)

Please pray for Mary's heart issues, that Mark would find full-time employment, and that Amber and Justin would be able to make ends meet.

**Children's Sunday School Christmas program** — The program will be held **Sunday, December 21<sup>st</sup> at 9:00 a.m.** Parents –please look in your church mailboxes for your child's Christmas Program part. We will be practicing songs this morning for the Christmas Program. Children (5 years old through 6<sup>th</sup> grade) will meet in the front of church right after the service. We will practice singing until 10:30 a.m. when Sunday School begins. If you have any questions contact one of the Christmas Program Committee members: Sarah Konzak, Jamie Brill, & Sally Ketterhagen

**The Care Connection will be selling vouchers for a 16 inch take & bake pizza** that you can order from Bada Bing at any time. The vouchers are \$16.00 and a percentage of the profits will go to the Care Connection. **Please make checks out to The Care Connection.** This is our only fundraiser for the year. The vouchers will be sold today in the Great Room after the morning service. The pizza vouchers would make great Christmas gifts! Please purchase a voucher or two and help us reach out to those in need in our congregation and surrounding community.

The Care Connection

**Reminder:** There will be no breakfast next week Sunday morning – join us on Thanksgiving morning.

**This Thanksgiving Day** the men of Faith Reformed will be hosting a breakfast for our congregation, families, and friends. Hopefully, this will be a treat to the ladies of the congregation who will have one less meal to prepare that day. Breakfast will be served from 8:00-8:45 a.m., with a Thanksgiving devotional to follow at 9:00 a.m. right in the Great Room. This will be a time of informal fellowship, worship, and thanksgiving. Feel free to bring your friends and relatives who may be visiting for the holiday. You will be invited to share some of the things for which you are grateful to the Lord, so come prepared if you are willing to share.

### **Advent Worship Readings**

If you as an individual, your family, or your church group is interested in leading an Advent Devotional during one of our worship services, please contact Pastor Ron. All the materials will be provided for you. You only need to read and light the candles. Open to all ages.

<b>TODAY</b>	9:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Service
	10:30 a.m.	Sunday School for all ages
	10:15 a.m.	Christmas Program practice for 5 year olds – 6 <sup>th</sup> graders after Worship service until 10:30 a.m.
	6:00 p.m.	Roots & J-Teams meet at Faith Church
	6:00 p.m.	Veteran's Day Service at Faith Church
<b>Tuesday</b>	3:00 p.m.	Care Connection Meeting
	6:30 p.m.	Prayer Meeting
	7:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study
<b>Wednesday</b>	6:30 p.m.	Adventure Island, Cruisin & Soul Impact
<b>Thursday</b>	4:30-6:30pm	Food Pantry

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### ***Faith Church News and Notes***

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**Sunday Evening Bible Study – Sunday School Guide** — No Bible Study this evening – join us for the Veteran's Day Service at 6:00 p.m.

**Devotionals:** *Words of Hope* and *Our Daily Bread* devotionals are available from the rack on the Visitor's Table for your daily devotions.

**THANK YOU!!!** A great big thank you to every one who came and supported our fundraiser at Fire House Pizza. We had a great turn out. You make our mission to enrich the lives of Pine Haven Residents possible. Thank you again for your support.

#### **The Pine Haven Auxiliary**

**Soup Recipes** – We would like to put out the recipes for the soups brought to the Fall Festival. If you could email Debbie your recipe or bring one into the office - that would be great. We hope to have them on a table next week Sunday so you may pick up a copy. **The Fellowship Committee**

**November 16 — Coming up on Groundwork:** Presented by Words of Hope and ReFrame Media. – **God's Glory in the Tough Places.** As we continue in the Book of Exodus, we come to the first of many times in the history of Israel when the people of God turn against God to grumble and complain. But God's initial reactions to these early times of complaining are quite surprising. Tune in and join the Groundwork conversation on Exodus 16 & 17. You can listen on your local radio stations, WJUB, 1420 AM, Sunday at 7:30 am or WHBL, 1330 AM, Sunday at 8:30 am or listen online at [GroundworkOnline.com](http://GroundworkOnline.com).

**Women's Study** – We will continue with our Women's Bible Study "**Becoming More**" by Lysa Ter Keurst this week Tuesday, November 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. Lunch for the evening will be provided by Bonnie Depies and Mary Broetzmann.

Be sure to check your mailbox for regular church communication



**Christmas Program Practice Supper for kids** – We have put out sheets on the Information Center counter for you to sign up to bring things for the suppers that will be served to the kids in the Christmas Program on Wednesday, December 3, 10, & 17. Any questions contact Debbie Meeusen or Mary Broetzmann.

**Special Birthdays in November:**

*Please remember the following person with cards of Birthday blessings:*

Earl Meinen turns 84 on November 10th

The **Salvation Army** is looking for volunteers to help ring bells for the Red Kettle Campaign again this year at the Piggly Wiggly in Cedar Grove. All area churches are helping one weekend. Faith Church is responsible for **Friday, December 5<sup>th</sup> & Saturday, December 6<sup>th</sup>**. You may sign up to help on the sheets on the counter by the Information Center. Money raised is used year round to provide temporary emergency assistance to those in need. Let's help area churches reach out to those in need!

**Craft Items** – We are in need of craft items for the Pine Haven Auxiliary Craft Sale. Start making those crafts – our craft sale is Saturday, December 6<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions talk to one of our Pine Haven Delegates – Connie Debbink & Sue Droppers.

**Flower Committee Christmas Flower** order forms are available from the Information Center counter. If you wish to purchase a flower fill out the order form and put it in the envelope in the church office. Checks should be made out to Faith

Reformed Church. **Make sure to circle the color of the flower you wish to purchase. The flower order deadline is today!** and the flowers may be picked up after the worship service on Sunday morning, December 7th.

**New Piano for Sanctuary** – A baby grand piano (previously used) is being donated to the church for use in our worship services. While the piano itself is a donation, there will be expenses involved in moving, restoring, and tuning it. Those expenses will come out of our Memorial Fund. However, we would be glad to accept donations for these additional expenses in order to preserve our Memorial Fund for other purposes. Please place your donations in the offering on Sunday (designated for “Piano”), or mail or bring it to the Church Office.

**Attention 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> grade girls!** You are invited to join our **Girls of Grace** group on Friday, November 14<sup>th</sup> at First Reformed Church. Girls of Grace is a joint church-based group that meets the second Friday of each month from October – May immediately after school until 5:00 p.m. If you have any questions call/text Darcie Beernink at 920-912-8274 or email [girlsofgracecg@gmail.com](mailto:girlsofgracecg@gmail.com)

**Looking ahead:** On Sunday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, we will have Communion and our Annual Congregational Meeting will follow the worship service. Plan to attend – be informed!

A letter from Campus Life has been posted on the bulletin board for you to read.

**Blog** – [bjhilbelink.theworldrace.org](http://bjhilbelink.theworldrace.org) for a monthly update on BJ's mission trip.

**HELPING OUT...****Greeters today:**

- Bob/Donna Caljouw (Sanctuary)
- Carl/Pat Claerbout (Great Room)

**Greeters next week:**

- Jon Damkot (Sanctuary)
- Linda Damkot (Great Room)

**Nursery today:**

- Mary Broetzmann
- Sally Obbink
- Brittany Obbink

**Nursery next week:**

- Debbie Meeusen
- Gary Meeusen
- Ethan Wonser

**Ushers for November**

- Mike DeHaai
- Wayne Bloemers
- Mark Hesselink

**Flower Committee contact** person for November is Margie Schultz — If you wish to provide a plant or flowers for a Sunday service, please contact Margie with the date and occasion. Also please give a note to the church secretary for the bulletin.

**Kitchen Committee for November:**

Bonnie Depies

**Elder on call in November:** Jon Damkot

**Hope Café Volunteers for November:** To be announced

**Prayer Chain:** Call your requests to the church office and they will be forwarded to the Prayer Captains of your fellowship group.

***Our Prayer Time***

“Now may the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times and in every way.” 2 Thessalonians 3:16

**Congregational Prayers****Praises and Thanksgivings --**

The freedoms of our nation  
The ministry of the Gideons

**Petitions --**

Protection of our religious freedom  
Strong, biblical male leadership in the home  
Those struggling with addictions

**Health –**

Kim Hoitink - undergoing cancer treatment

**Mission –**

BJ Hilbelink – World Race  
For unchurched neighbors  
For persecuted Christians  
Chris & Heather Sawdon - Philippines

**Residents of Pine Haven – Oostburg**

- Jean TenPas – Room # 128
- Doris DeMaster – Room #114

**Pine Haven Memory Care Unit**

- Phyllis Joosse – Room # 301

**At Home:**

- Elda Veldboom

**Missions**

SayuriKist-Okazaki/Elly Kajaminyo/Mike & Ann Prom/Chris & Heather Sawdon/Todd & Darlene Voskuil/Words of Hope/Sheboygan County Campus Life/Pine Haven Christian Home

**Deeply Loving God  
Authentically Loving Others  
Boldly Living God's Word!**

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***News and Notes from the Christian Community***

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**Cedar Grove Senior Center** meals program meets every Monday at First Reformed Church at 10:30 a.m. All senior citizens are invited to attend. Our Faith Church contact person is Delores Meinen (668-6863). Programs for November are:

**November 10** – Mark Post – Cedar Grove Village President

**November 17** – Roger Peterson – Medication and Driving

**November 24** – Birthday Party & Bingo

**The Community Thanksgiving Feast** will be held again this year on Thanksgiving Day at First Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Cedar Grove. Everyone is invited – infants to seniors, singles and families – to join us for this festive dinner. If you have friends or neighbors without family nearby, or who are unable to prepare a traditional feast, please pass the invitation on to them. Punch and fellowship will begin at 11:30 AM – dinner at noon. Carry-outs and deliveries will be available for those unable to dine at the church. Reservations by November 19<sup>th</sup> are appreciated so that we can be adequately prepared, but they are not essential. For information and reservations contact Joy Huenink at 920-668-6930.

**IT'S TIME FOR CABIN FEVER RELIEVER** at Oostburg Christian School! Yes, our first event for this year will be held on Thursday, November 20 from 8:30-10:00 in our beautiful gym with balls, toys, tumbling mats, and friends! Parents, guardians, babysitters, preschoolers, homeschoolers—all are invited!!!

**November is National Adoption Month** – Please join Bethany Christian Services this November in raising awareness and praying for children in foster care who are waiting for a family to call their own. Learn more at [Bethany.org/NOW](http://Bethany.org/NOW)

Thanksgiving and Christmas can be particularly difficult times for those who are adjusting to the death of a loved one. Wenig Funeral Homes are hosting a **“Holiday Service of Remembrance”** to be held at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Sheboygan Falls this afternoon, November 9, 2014 at 2:00 p.m. The public is welcome. Call 467-3431 for more information.

**Sharing the Story of God's Grace – 91.3FM The Message** – 2014 Fall Sharathon. Listen from November 3-14, 2014. Support your local Christian Radio Station to donate CALL: 1-800-246-9582 or Mail: PO Box 259, Plymouth, WI 53073 or give ONLINE: at [wstmfm.org](http://wstmfm.org)

**Cedar Grove Belgium Elementary Toy Drive** – November 24<sup>th</sup> – December 10<sup>th</sup>. Donations of unwrapped toys will be accepted at school. If you have any questions please talk to Kris Sass.

**Living Nativity** – St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church will have a live-outdoor presentation of the Nativity on Friday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, Saturday, December 6<sup>th</sup>, & Sunday, December 7<sup>th</sup> – see the brochure on the bulletin board for times and directions to the church.

## Youth News – Upcoming Weeks

**Roots & J-teams** will meet tonight at Faith Reformed Church at 6:00 p.m.

**Wednesday night activities** – Adventure Island, Cruisin' & Soul Impact this week Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.

**Cornhole Tournament** at First Reformed Church at 4pm on Sunday, November 16<sup>th</sup>

**Cookie bakers:** Thank you to all the ladies who signed up to make Christmas cookies. Please put them in the kitchen on December 3 by 1:00p.m. Thank you. **Wendy Wonsler**

Parents! Get **text updates and announcements** by texting FFPARENT to 84483.

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**Girls of Grace are excited to again be supporting A Patient Helping Patients.** A Patient Helping Patients was created by Emma Rose of Thiensville after she was diagnosed with Leukemia in January 2012. For almost three years, Emma Rose has been bringing gifts to some of the sickest kids at Children's Hospital to help brighten their day or at least take their mind off of their situation for a little bit. Suggested items to be collected include the following (please make sure items are new and in their original packaging): Scented Hand Sanitizer, Nail Polish, Nail Polish Remover Pads, Chapstick, Matchbox Cars, Crayons, Colored Pencils, Twistables, Small Pads of Paper, Journaling Pads, Slipper Socks, Gum Mints/TicTacs, Fruit Snacks, Single Serve Snacks (crackers, cookies, pretzels), Crazy Straws, PlayDoh, Gift Cards (iTunes, Restaurants, Amazon). We will be collecting items from now until December 15. If you have any questions please contact Cindy Navis 920-698-2134 or girlsofgracecg@gmail.com. Look for the box on the bench in the Great room.

**Pine Haven's Expansion Project** – There is a green binder on the Visitor's Table with pictures of the progress being made on the new facility. Pictures will be added as we receive them. Take a look at the progress being made on the new project.

**Redeeming Thailand!** "Redeemed", the praise and worship band from First Oostburg Christian Reformed Church is hosting an evening of praise and worship to highlight the missions ministry of Ben and Rebecca Johnson. Come hear how the Johnsons will be working to plant churches in the Kingdom of Thailand, where 98% of the population has never heard the name of Jesus Christ. A freewill offering will be taken to support the Johnson's ministry and there will be opportunities to become recurring prayer and financial partners in their work. Join us on Saturday, November 15<sup>th</sup>, 6-8pm at First Oostburg CRC (216 S. 7<sup>th</sup> St., Oostburg). For more information on the Johnson's work, visit their webpage: [www.johnsonfamilymission.com](http://www.johnsonfamilymission.com).

# Sermon Notes