

FAITH REFORMED CHURCH

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Our Worship

As we gather to worship this morning through faith in Christ, we are entering into conversation with God as He speaks in His Word and is with us by the Spirit. Our worship service has an intentional movement that focuses on the Gospel:

- We begin with our **APPROACH TO GOD**, hearing a call to worship from His word and then responding to Him with songs and prayers of praise.
- We then have a time of **RENEWAL IN CHRIST** in which we confess our sins and hear His promise of forgiveness in His word and through song.
- Assured of His grace, we then listen to **THE WORD OF GOD** as it is preached from our passage for that day, and we all receive the sacrament of communion monthly as a “visible word” from God.
- After hearing the Word preached, we end our service with our **RESPONSE TO GOD**. We give offerings, affirm our faith, pray for needs in the congregation and world, and hear a blessing from God before singing a final praise to Him.

Through it all, God intends to bless us and change us by His grace so that we would go into the world to live for His glory. So let us come in humble faith, ready to hear and respond to our God and Savior.

Reflections

“Repentance is neither simply feeling sorry for one’s sins, nor a merely intellectual change of mind about them. It is a radical change of direction, a transforming turn around of the entire person. It involves will and thought and emotion and action, and issues in “fruit in keeping with repentance” (DA Carson, *God With Us*, 23-24)

If you wish to reach Pastor Zach, you may dial the church office or reach him by cell phone at 920-212-5489. His office hours are Tuesday – Friday 9:30 – 5:30. If you are unable to reach Pastor Zach you may contact the Elder on call. The Elder on call for January is Carl Velzke (920-917-0902)

Prayer Guide

Praises and Thanksgivings

Jesus Resurrection
Our living hope in Jesus

Petitions

That our state and nation would value life and protect life in the womb
For people to hear the gospel hope
A heart of submission to Christ
Spiritual wisdom and discernment
Commitment to be reading Scripture
Discipline and courage to obey
To be guided by Scripture, not culture
Courage to stand firm for the gospel
Our ministry in the PCA
Pastor Zach Tarter
Jon Damkot – Youth Director
Lincoln Rus – Pastoral Apprentice
Disciple making at Faith Reformed
Spiritual revival
Our government leaders
Our youth to grow in Christ
Those serving in the military
The Unity of Cedar Grove churches
Those with addictions/in jail or prison
Our persecuted brothers & sisters

Health

Linda Dykstra – prayers that her shoulder would heal well, and she would not need surgery and that the procedure she had to take care of the fluid buildup around her heart would be successful
Ruth Ann Wieberdink – prayers for continued healing
Donna Caljouw – prayers as she goes back on her cancer medication that it will not have an adverse effect on her body in other ways as before
Don Teunissen – continued prayer for healing and strength
Jeff Debbink – prayers that the chemo would have been affective to heal his cancer
Keith R. – (Cancer)
Kristy Weiss – is now at Rocky Knoll for healing and rehab for her broken leg. Prayers for quick healing.

Shut-ins

Wayne Navis
Delores Droppers – Cedar Grove Gardens, Building 1 – room 15
Herb Dirkse – Cedar Grove Gardens, Building 2 – room 10
Don Schreurs – is now at Sharon Richardson Community Hospice
Jean Schreurs – Oostburg Pine Haven Campus – room 112

Mission & Outreach

PCA Missions to the World
PCA Mission to North America
Future Church Planting Efforts
For our unchurched neighbors

Schedule

TODAY

Care Group Meeting – 8:15am
Worship Service – 9:00am
Sunday School for all ages – 10:30am
Core – 2:00pm (MS only)

Wednesday – 6:00pm Connect
-6:30pm Quest
-6:30pm Prayer Meeting

Thursday – 1:00pm Women’s Bible Study
-7:00pm Deacon Meeting

UPCOMING EVENTS AT FAITH:

January 25 – Wisconsin Presbytery Meeting at Faith
February 1 – Game Night

Ushers for January: Eric Meinnert, Jason Hopeman, Jim Wonser

Nursery for January 12: Macy Ewing, Amelia Velzke, Levi Heinen
Nursery for January 19: Margie Schultz, Nolan Brill, Amara Beernink

Refreshments for January: Care Group #1 (Kris & Kim)

Greeters January 12 - **Narthex:** Chris & Sarah Konzak Family
- **Great Room:** John & Kris Kettenhoven
Greeters January 19 – **Narthex:** Kyle & Kayla Korb
- **Great Room:** Richard & Florence Jordan

Serving in the Military:

Jackson DeRuyter
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Family Life at Faith

The Cedar Grove Area Food Pantry served 35 families at the January Food Pantry. The next Food Pantry will be held on Thursday, February 13th. **We are currently low on cereal, pasta, pasta sauce, canned vegetables & fruit.** If you could help us serve one month – please contact Faith Reformed Church (920-668-6725). Thank you for your generosity!

For Love INC in January, we will be collecting **Personal Care Kits:** toilet paper, lotion, combs, tissues, soap, deodorant, feminine products, razors, shaving cream, and shampoo/conditioner. For questions on your donations, please contact your Love, Inc Representative, Jodi Danforth (920-254-1385). Thank you.

Ladies, mark your calendars for the 2025 Women’s Conference at Faith Reformed Church for Saturday, February 8th, from 8:00 AM - 12:15 PM.

We would like to express our many thanks to the congregation for the way we have been supported since the passing of Al. Our thanks to Pastor Zach and Lincoln for their words of encouragement. To those who helped with the memorial service, those who served lunch as well as donated bars. Once again, we believe our God is great and God is good all the time.

Mary Holle & Family

Salvation Army Meal -Thank you to all those who have signed up to make/bring food for the past year. They are always very appreciative. There is now a **sign-up sheet for January & February** in the information center. If you have any questions, please see Wendy Wonser.

Thank you to everyone who remembered me this Christmas with cards and well-wishes and the beautiful poinsettia plant. All were greatly appreciated.

Delores Droppers

The Care Connection is asking for volunteers to continue to communicate with cards or words of encouragement to Kelly Wieberdink. Kelly is the daughter of Shirley Wieberdink and is living at Trempealeau County Health Care Center. She really enjoys getting cards from us. Let’s continue to make her feel that she is being thought of and prayed for even though she is separated from family and people she is familiar with. You can sign up on the sheet in the information center. **There are just 3 spots left.**

Family Life at Faith

Special birthdays in January:

Richard Jordan will turn 77 on January 11th

Edie Beernink will turn 90 on January 23rd

All information for the February Newsletter is due January 26th.

Pictorial Directory: We would also like to update our church pictorial directory. New babies are being born, kids are growing up and new members have joined. Please update pictures and check to make sure all information is right. There are direction sheets in the information center that explain how to do this. If you need help or would like Wendy to update your picture, you can email her one or ask to have a new picture taken here at church.

Faith Church is holding the Wisconsin Presbtery Meeting here on Saturday, January 25th. The Fellowship Team is looking for donations of **25 sweetbreads and/or a dozen muffins.** You can sign up on the sheet in the information center.

Open House: Edie Beernink will be turning 90 years old on January 23rd and the family would like to invite the congregation to an open house to celebrate with her. It will be held here at Faith Reformed Church on Sunday, January 19th from 1-3pm.

Game Night at Faith — Mark your calendars and join us for a night of fun and fellowship at “Game Night” on Saturday, February 1st at 6:00p.m. We are playing Sheepshead, cribbage, and other games. If you have a favorite, bring it along. The game night is open to middle school and above. Come on out and enjoy the fun. **Sign up for the Sheepshead Tournament on the sheet in the Information Center.** Snacks and drinks will be provided.

Please continue to be in prayer for Mara (Jeff and Paula Risseeuw’s daughter) and her unborn twins. We continue to pray for good heart, brain and cord dopplers each week, normal growth and for her water not to break prematurely.

Youth News

HS FORT Weekend - Please pray for God to continue to work in the lives of the high schoolers as they return from the retreat. The bus will return to Faith Reformed around **3:00PM**.

MS CORE **TIME CHANGE** (Grades 6-8) - ***Today, January 12th*** Middle School Core small group Bible studies meet at **Faith Reformed** from **2:00-3:00PM** while the high school groups will take the weekend off due to the retreat.

CONNECT (Grades 6-12) - **Wednesday, January 15th** students are invited to Connect with each other and God at **Faith Reformed** from **6:00-7:30PM!** Worship begins at 6:20.

QUEST (Grades 5K-5) - **Wednesday, January 15th** Quest will meet at **Faith Reformed** from **6:30-7:30PM**. Registration and games begin at 6:00.

Faith Care Groups:

Today you have received your Care Group assignments as they are within the Directory that is in your church mailbox.

You have also received a welcome email from Dan Weiss for each group, that can be used in the future to communicate during the year by simply "replying to all".

Thank you to the many volunteers who signed up for the "Faith Cares" service opportunities.

We have a decent amount from each Care group who are ready and willing to serve.

To that point, I **encourage you** to reach out to your Care Group Leader if you would like to take advantage of a service, they will coordinate with your group to get you the assistance.

Looking forward to a great year of care!

Dan Weiss