



FAITH

CHRISTIAN REFORMED

CHURCH

EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD
EXPRESS GOD'S LOVE
EQUIP GOD'S PEOPLE
EXPAND GOD'S KINGDOM

** Please Stand*

God's Invitation Gathers Us

Welcome

*God's Greeting

*"Come Now Is The Time to Worship"

*"By Faith"

God's Grace Claims Us

Praise and Petition

Psalm 144

*"Praise to The Lord the Almighty"

#77 (WC)

Congregational Prayer

Children's Blessing

*"God Is Our Refuge And Our Strength"

#84:1-3 (PH)

Offering: Helping Hands, Helping Hearts

God's Word Speaks to Us

Prayer

1 Samuel 17:31-40

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David Surpasses Saul

Prayer

God's Blessing Equips Us

*"All Hail The Power Of Jesus Name"

#95:1-3 (WC)

*Benediction

*"All Hail The Power Of Jesus Name"

#95:5 (WC)

Leading us in Worship

Worship Leader & Sermon:

Matthew Lanser, Moe Pacheco

Praise Team:

Peter Boonstra, Faith Praise Team, Jake Groenewold, Dan Roelofs

(PH-Psalter Hymnal | WC-Worshiping Church | LH-Lift Up Your Hearts Hymnal)

This Week at Faith

Sunday Morning: we'll read 1 Samuel 17:31-40 for our "David: The Real Champion" series.

Sunday Evening: Pastor Ben will begin a three-week series on the Creeds. We'll begin tonight by reflecting on the Trinity. These services will include both teaching and discussion time, and we'll share a meal after the service.

Next week: we'll read 1 Samuel 17:41-58 in the morning, and we'll celebrate the Lord's Supper. In the evening, we'll continue the Creeds series.

Upcoming Worship

Sunday	Morning	Evening
November 1	Matthew Lanser	Ben Ribbens
November 8	Matthew Lanser	Ben Ribbens
November 15	Moe Pacheco	Matthew Lanser

Offering Schedule

Sunday	Morning	Evening
November 1	Faith Promise Missions	ReFrame Ministries
November 8	Christian Education Fund	Zuni CRC
November 15	Elmhurst Walk-In Ministry	Love INC

Go to faithelmhurst.org/give to give online to General, Benevolence, Building, Christian Education, and Faith Promise Missions funds.

Need support? If you're facing financial hardship, contact your district deacon (the office can connect you). They're ready to help!

Prayer Request

Pray for **Charis Engel**, **Don Oostman**, and **Pete Van Tholen** as they undergo treatments for cancer.

Please keep **Nelly Groenewold** in prayer following some time in the hospital with some potential heart concerns.

Christy Hooker was recently diagnosed with an internal carotid artery dissection. Please pray for healing, strength, peace and protection from stroke as the artery heals.

Recent tests showed that **Dick Huisman's** cancer has spread to his liver. Please pray for Dick and Mary as they await further test results and discern how to move forward.

Praise and Thanksgiving

At the October elders' meeting, we received the memberships of **Zach and Melissa Gardner** and their children **Conner, Charlie, and Grady**, as well as **John and Ruth Harkema** and **Gary Tameling**, all from the former Western Springs CRC. We'll welcome these new members in worship in the coming weeks.

Happy November Birthday to Randy Bosma (Nov. 1), Harry Boerman (Nov. 4), Sharon Herlien (Nov. 9), Peter Holtrop Jr. (Nov. 11), JoAnn Gorter (Nov. 12), Charis Engel (Nov. 14), Annette Heerdts (Nov. 18), William Langeland (Nov. 19), and Larry Vietzke (Nov. 26).

Announcements

We'll be serving at My Brother's Kitchen on October 31st from 8am-12pm and we need your help! This ministry and the service you help provide align with our mission of Expanding God's Kingdom. We are looking for food donations and 5-10 people to serve at My Brother's Kitchen in Lawndale. Please sign up at the Registration Counter if you can help. Contact Steve David with any questions.

Please drop off **donations for My Brother's Kitchen** to the Faith CRC kitchen by Friday, Oct 30. When you drop off food, please be sure to check off the box (by your name) on the signup sheet found on the kitchen counter. Thank you!

Creeds in the Evening: Tonight through November 8, Dr. Ben Ribbens will be leading our evening services. Two beliefs form the foundation of Christianity: (1) the Trinity and (2) Jesus's identity as *both* divine and human. Yet, even though these are the most fundamental doctrines of Christianity, we often struggle to know how exactly to articulate them. In our three-week series on the Creeds, we will look at the events that led the church to formalize positions on these matters at the Councils of Nicaea and Chalcedon. In the process, we will get to know the wrong ways of expressing these doctrines (heresies), learn how to express them faithfully, and discuss how these doctrines help us grow in faith, hope, and love. We'll meet in the fellowship hall, have time for discussion and Q&A, and share dinner after the service. Nursery is provided for these services. Please register at faithelmhurst.org/resources so we can make preparations.

Volunteer to Help with 'Creeds' in the Evening: For the upcoming dinners in the evening, we are offering opportunities to the congregation to sign up to help. If you are able to help in the nursery or kitchen, or able to bring food, please sign up at the Registration Counter. We ask that you sign up no later than one full week before each event so the Discipleship Team can make preparations for the remainder of the food needed. Thank you for your support!

The Diaper Derby ends today so please place all donations in the west entry to church and any gift cards into Nan Loerop's mailbox. The **Right to Life Committee** thanks you for your Diaper Derby participation, and especially, for supporting life and women who have chosen to save their babies!

Seniors Bible Study will meet next on Tuesday, November 3. We're a little behind schedule, so we'll be studying Daniel 4 (Lesson 3 in the study guide).

The **Faith Book Club** has selected *Stay* by Catherine Ryan Hyde as the book to read for our November 17th meeting. A teenage boy befriends a reclusive woman and her dogs, hoping their bond can heal his fractured family and struggling friend. Reviewers share that this is an "emotionally charged" book that deals with a few challenging subjects. We hope you can join us November 17th at 7:00PM!

Don't have a photo to submit for the new church Directory? No worries. We'll be taking photos one last time after the Sunday morning service, during the Sunday school hour, on **November 15**. Stop by the Fellowship Hall for a quick picture. If you aren't able to make that date, let the office know and we'll try to arrange something with your family.

Exploring Faith: If you're newer to Faith, want to learn more, or are considering membership here, you're encouraged to consider our "Exploring Faith" class this month. We'll schedule the time around the group's availability, so contact Pastor Matthew if you're interested or have questions. We'll cover three topics—what it means to be Christian, what's distinctive about being Reformed, and how to connect at Faith Church—we'll have time for conversation, discussion, and Q&A.



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Youth Announcements

Sunday School will begin with singing in the sanctuary at 10:45 before heading to classrooms. 1st and 2nd graders meet in room 13/14, 3rd and 4th graders meet in room 8, and 5th graders meet in room 10.

Faith Foundations meets 10:45-11:30. Middle school meets in room 4/5 and high school meets at the church house.

The Forge meets next on November 22. Email theforge@faithelmhurst.org with any questions.

The Gathering meets next on November 15. Stay tuned for information about the upcoming sub sale! Email thegathering@faithelmhurst.org with questions.

GEMS (1st-8th grade girls) will meet this Wednesday, October 28, at 6:30PM. Email gems@faithelmhurst.org with any questions.

Cadets (4th-8th grade boys) will meet next Wednesday, November 4, 7-9PM. Email cadets@faithelmhurst.org with any questions.

Jr. Cadets (1st-3rd grade boys) will meet next Tuesday, November 3. Email cadets@faithelmhurst.org with questions.

Community Announcements

Holiday Market with A Mission: Ebenezer Community Care Center invites you to its *Holiday Market with A Mission* on **Saturday, November 7, from 9:00 AM–1:00 PM**. Shop local vendors and small businesses while discovering unique gifts, delicious food, handmade crafts, and more! Can't attend in person? You can still participate in the online auction, with **bidding opening Sunday, November 1, at 12:01 AM and closing Saturday, November 7, at 1:00 PM**. If you win an auction item but aren't able to pick it up at Ebenezer, Sandy Turnbull has generously volunteered to pick up items and deliver them to you! All proceeds support the community ministries of Ebenezer Community Care Center. Contact Rosa Maria at 708-620-0162 or Monica Marquardt at 708-247-4931 for event questions.

Greenhouse Christian Co-School Job Openings: Greenhouse Christian Co-School in Wheaton is seeking qualified teachers who desire to serve the Lord through Christian education. Greenhouse partners with homeschool families to provide a classical, Christ-centered education that prepares students to become the next generation of servant leaders. Current openings for the 2026–2027 school year include teachers for Rhetoric American History (freshmen), Ancient History (sophomores), History of Western Civilization (juniors), and Modern History (seniors). Please visit greenhouseschool.org/employment for more information about these opportunities to be part of this wonderful, missional community!

Serving Faith Church

Audio Visual: David Lanser, Andrew Slinkman, Benet Hoogstra

Next Week: Niki Tazelaar, Michael Speelman, Adam Zarek

PM Audio Visual: Jon Huizinga

Next Week: Jon Kinnas

Security Host: Bob Loerop

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October Greeters: Bob Loerop, Chuck Slinkman, Mike Oldenberger

November Greeters: Ed Biesboer, Al Miedema, Matt Huizinga

Refreshments: Ray and Susan Middel

Next Week: Hank and Becky Vander Naald

Children's Church: Ivy Tang, Rachel Kinnas, Grace Tobin

Next Week: Rachel Hoogstra, Laura Lanser, Ezra Lanser

Nursery: Kelly Rauwerda, Laura Van Kampen, Avery Rauwerda,
Katherine Van Kampen

Next Week: Chelsea Van Dyk, Joy Koopmans, Maverick and Summer Ridder

Sunday School: Zach Miedema, Kathy Miedema, Julie Speelman,
Joy Koopmans, Bethany Voss, Rachel Kinnas

Next Week: Bethany Voss, Rebecca Anderson, Kathy Miedema, Trudy Voss,
Heidi Folkerts, Rachel de Nazarie

This Week at Faith

Sunday, October 25

Men's Bible Reading Fellowship | 8:30 AM | Room 4/5
Pre-Worship Prayer Time | 9:10 AM | Room 1
Morning Worship | 9:30 AM | Sanctuary
Sunday School Singing | 10:45 AM | Sanctuary
Sunday School (1st-5th grade) | 11:00 AM | Classrooms 8, 10, & 13/14
HS Faith Foundations | 10:45 AM | Church House
MS Faith Foundations: Intergeneration Connections | 11:00 AM | Sanctuary
The Creeds: Dr. Ben Ribbens | 5:00 PM | Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, October 27

Gathering After School Hangout | 2:45 PM | Church House

Wednesday, October 28

BSF Classes | 9:00-11:30 AM | Church Building
GEMS Meeting | 6:30 PM | Fellowship Hall

Thursday, October 29

Senior Men's Coffee Fellowship | 9:30 AM | Room 1-3

Saturday, October 31

Men's Morning Prayer Group | 7:00 AM | Library
Serve at My Brother's Kitchen | 8:00 AM | Lawndale
Exploring Faith Membership Class | 9:00 AM | Library

Sunday, November 1

Men's Bible Reading Fellowship | 8:30 AM | Room 4/5
Pre-Worship Prayer Time | 9:10 AM | Room 1
Morning Worship | 9:30 AM | Sanctuary
District 7 Get-Together | 10:45 AM | Room 1-3
Sunday School Singing | 10:45 AM | Sanctuary
Sunday School (1st-5th grade) | 11:00 AM | Classrooms 8, 10, & 13/14
HS Faith Foundations | 10:45 AM | Church House
MS Faith Foundations | 10:45 AM | Room 4/5
The Creeds: Dr. Ben Ribbens | 5:00 PM | Fellowship Hall



Faith Focus of the Week:

Creeds in the Evening

by Dr. Ben Ribbens

Join us tonight as our Teaching Pastor, Dr. Ben Ribbens, opens an engaging series and on the Creeds and explores two foundational Christian beliefs: The Trinity and Jesus's identity as *both* divine and human. In this 3-week series on the Creeds, we will look at the events that led the church to formalize positions on these matters at the Councils of Nicaea and Chalcedon. In the process, we will get to know the wrong ways of expressing these doctrines (heresies), learn how to express them faithfully, and discuss how these doctrines help us grow in faith, hope, and love. We'll meet in the fellowship hall, have time for discussion and Q&A, and share dinner after the service.

Sermon Notes:



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Sunday worship times:
9:30 AM & 5:00 PM