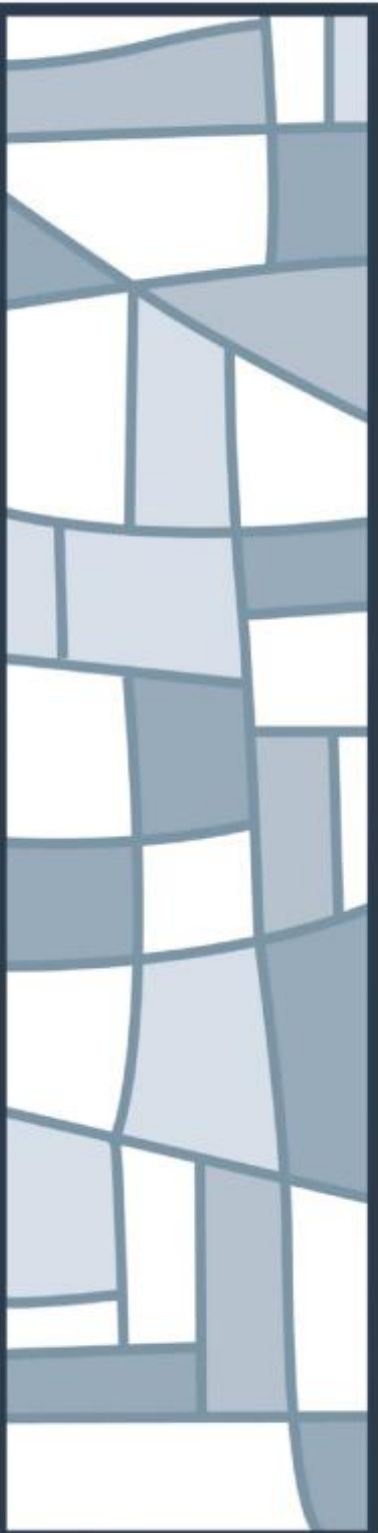


FAITH

CHRISTIAN REFORMED

CHURCH

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



God's Invitation Gathers Us

Welcome

God's Greeting

Mutual Greeting

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

#60 (WC)

God's Grace Claims Us

Professions of Faith

Izzy David, David Lanser, Caleb Lindemulder,
Andrew Lumkes, Virginia Miedema, Jacob Tazelaar

"I Am Not My Own"

"In Christ Alone"

Congregational Prayer

Children's Blessing

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

#2:1-4 (WC)

Offering: Christian Education Fund

Izzy David: "The Adoption Song"

God's Word Speaks to Us

Prayer

John 20:24-31

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That We May Believe

Prayer

God's Blessing Equips Us

"I Know Whom I Have Believed"

#493:1,2 (WC)

Benediction

"I Know Whom I Have Believed"

#493:3 (WC)

Leading us in Worship

Worship Leader & Sermon:

Matthew Lanser

Praise Team:

Maddie Boonstra, Izzy David, Donna Erdman,

Dan Roelofs, Sandy Roelofs, Kristen Voss

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

Welcome & God's Greeting

"Breathe On Me Breath of God"

#295:1,2,4 (WC)

Responsive Reading

Colossians 2:6-15

Prayer

Offering: Bible League International

Ezekiel 37:1-14

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Can These Bones Live

Prayer

Blessing

"Seek Ye First"

#447 (WC)

Leading us in Worship

Worship Leaders & Sermon:

Matthew Lanser, George Tan

Accompaniment:

Chris Tang

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

This Week at Faith

Sunday Morning: we'll conclude our "Gospel of Glory" series by reading John 20:24-31. We'll also have six of our high school students profess their faith!

Sunday Evening: we'll reflect on Ezekiel 37:1-14.

Next week, we'll read John 21:1-19 in the morning.

Upcoming Worship

Sunday	Morning	Evening
May 18	Ben Ribbens	George Tan
May 25	Matthew Lanser	No Service
June 1	Matthew Lanser	Matthew Lanser

Prayer Requests

Need prayer? If you have prayer needs, please contact your district elder or one of the pastors. Send prayer requests at any time to prayer@faithelmhurst.org.

Praise and Thanksgiving

This morning we celebrate the professions of faith of six of our high school students: **Izzy David, David Lanser, Caleb Lindemulder, Andrew Lumkes, Virginia Miedema, Jacob Tazelaar**. On July 27, **Lucy Hoogstra** will be making profession of faith. We're grateful to God for bringing these young people to this point in their lives of faith!

There will be **cake in the fellowship hall** following this morning's service in celebration of the professions of faith made this morning and a thank you to all who served in our various ministries this year. Thanks be to God for working in and through so many individuals this ministry year.

Thank you to everyone who donated time, items, and funds to **Springfest** this past Saturday. And for all who attended, supported, and gave to the event. Your commitment and generosity to support **Christian Education** is greatly appreciated.

Offering Schedule

Need support? If you are experiencing financial hardship, please reach out to your district deacon (the office can get you connected). They are eager to do what they can.

Sunday	Morning	Evening
May 18	Partners Worldwide	Providence Life Services
May 25	Elim Christian Services	No Service

Offering Report

The Deacons gratefully acknowledge the following offerings made in April, 2025:

Budget	\$ 60,749
Benevolence Fund	\$ 947
Building Fund	\$ 857
Christian Education Fund (formerly “Timothy”)	\$ 4,318
Education Fund	\$ 295
Faith Promise	\$ 3,341
Calvin Seminary	\$ 382
Elmhurst Walk-In Ministry	\$ 302
GEMS, International	\$ 1,403
Luke Society	\$ 373
Mission India	\$ 430
Rehoboth	\$ 100
Roseland Christian Ministries (for Women’s Shelter)	\$ 906
Zuni Christian Reformed Mission	\$ 1,049

Actual General Fund receipts for this fiscal year, which began on June 1, 2024, total approximately \$626,232 compared to budgeted receipts of \$696,817, which is a \$70,585 shortfall to budget. Actual expenses for the same period total approximately \$635,433, a cash deficit versus collections of \$9,201. As of April 30th we are woefully short of our goal to meet our Christian Education Fund obligation for the current school year: we still need to raise \$54,524! The current Treasurer is presuming that his successor’s first task in June will be pleading for EXTRA help from us in slaying this particular dragon BUT said current Treasurer has a prayerful hope that the efforts of the Congregation will result that this Fund collections during May, as well as the amount raised by Springfest, will make a significant dent in this figure.

Announcements

Women of all ages and stages are welcome to join **Faith's Summer Bible Study** 2025. We're back reading Liz Curtis Higgs! We'll enjoy her engaging style and fellowship with each other while applying God's Word to our lives. Sign up at the registration counter by May 18 and pick up your book (\$10) in the church office. Come for the dates that work for you! Wednesdays at 7PM at Faith. June 4, 18, July 2, 16, 30, & August 13.

Join us for Vacation Bible School (VBS)! All Kids ages 3 years through 5th grade are invited to join us as we brave the woods and head True North, learning to trust Jesus in a wild world through worship, games, lessons, and fun! VBS is happening Monday through Friday, June 23-27, from 9:00-11:30am. Spread the word and invite your friends. **Register now at faithelmhurst.org/vbs.**

The Right to Life Committee is supporting Caring Network's Baby Bottle Drive starting today. How about a family project to fill a baby bottle and support mothers who choose life for their unborn babies? Find that spare change, add a few bills, or even write a check to place in that baby bottle. Baby bottles are available at the Sign-up Counter, in the Fellowship Hall and in the Nursery, starting today and continuing **through June 15, 2025. Happy Mother's Day!**

Senior Men: We are planning a morning out at the **Volo Car Museum** on Tuesday, May 27th. We will meet in the church parking lot at 9:00 AM and leave around 9:15. We can carpool up there, or you may meet us there (27582 Volo Village Road, Volo, IL). If interested, we can stop on the way home for lunch at Culvers. Tickets for the museum are \$20. Questions? Contact Dirk Glaubke.

God is working at Faith CRC! Beginning soon, this is a new theme you'll see in the Faith Focus spot on the back of the bulletin and in our Friday emails. We want to hear from you! How do you see God working in and through Faith CRC? What are you thankful for? Send in your experience (about 150 words or less) to office@faithelmhurst.org, text 330-223-5216, or put it in the Faith Focus collection box at the registration counter.

Giving and Volunteer Opportunities

We need your help turning church into a forest for **VBS**! Let us take that old Christmas tree off your hands! Happen to see a faux tree being thrown out, grab it, or give us a call at 630-279-1776! We are looking for artificial trees of any size (Christmas trees or ficus). We could also use heavy duty cardboard of any size, but especially large pieces. **Please bring your trees and cardboard to the church office!** If you need help getting an item here, please contact the office at 630-279-1776 or office@faithelmhurst.org.

VBS Craft Nights are an excellent time to fellowship while also helping to prepare decorations for our VBS week. Come to the church house at 7PM **Wednesdays, May 14 and 21**, to help! Bring strong scissors or handy tools for cutting and working with cardboard.

Our recent trip to serve at **My Brother's Kitchen** was a success thanks to many of you who donated food and volunteered to serve! We will have three more opportunities to donate and serve in this way again. We would love for you to consider donating food or serving on Saturday, June 28, August 30, or November 29. We will post more details and signup sheets as the dates approach.

Community Announcements

Roseland Christian Ministries: Join us for our annual **golf outing** on Thursday, June 5, 2025 at Harborside International Golf Center in Chicago. Your support helps us meet the needs of the Roseland community. Register at bit.ly/RCMgolf2025. Call 773.264.5665 for more information.

The **Men of A-Chord** will present their annual Night of Song on Saturday, May 17, at 7:00 p.m. at First Church OPC (16248 South Park Ave.). Joining them this year are the Singing Crusaders of Kalamazoo, MI. Make your plans now for an evening of praise to our great God. A free will offering will be taken. For information please visit www.menofachord.org.

Youth Announcements

Cadet Father-Son Campout is Friday to Sunday, May 16-18. The campout will be at Tunnel Trail Campground and the Sparta/Elroy Bike Trail in Wisconsin. More specific details will be coming soon.

Sign up for VBS happening June 23-27 from 9:00-11:30 AM for ages 3 years old through 5th grade. Register at faithelmhurst.org/vbs

This Week at Faith

Sunday, May 11

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

Evening Worship | 5:00 PM | Sanctuary

Monday, May 12

Executive Meeting | 6:30 PM | Library

Council Meeting | 7:00 PM | Fellowship Hall

Deacons' Meeting | 7:30 PM | Room 4/5

Elders Meeting | 7:30 PM | Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, May 13

The Gathering Hangout | 3:00 PM | Church House

Wednesday, May 14

The Gathering Hangout | 3:00 PM | Church House

VBS Craft Night | 7:00 PM | Church House

Thursday, May 15

Senior Men's Coffee Fellowship | 9:30 AM | Fellowship Hall

Saturday, May 17

Men's Morning Prayer Group | 7:00 AM | Library

Sunday, May 18

Men's Bible Reading Fellowship | 8:30 AM | Room 4/5

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Serving Faith Church

Audio Visual: David Lanser, Sue Slinkman, Jon Veurink

Next Week: Logan VanProyen, Michael Speelman, Dirk Glaubke

PM Audio Visual: Bern Slinkman

Next Week: Bill Ridder

Security Host: Bern Slinkman

Next Week: Bill Ridder

May Greeters: Len Turnbull, Al Miedema, Steve David

June Greeters: Bill Hoving, Bern Slinkman, Dirk Rauglas

Refreshments: Mike and Thelene Tornow

Next Week: Jay and Melanie Lumkes

Children's Church: Laura Lanser, Melissa Biesboer, Will Hoving

Next Week: Mary Baas, Whitney Ribbens, Grace Tobin

Nursery: Mary Huizinga, Mindy Slinkman, Elaina Slinkman

Next Week: Joy Koopmans, Nicole Huizinga, Alex Koopmans

Faith CRC Supported Missionaries

All God's Children | Honduras | allegodschilddrenhonduras.org

Mission India | India | missionindia.org

Roseland Christian Ministries | Chicago | roselandchristianministries.org

Tom & Kristen Buursma | Philippines | us.worldteam.org

Jim & Ruth Padilla De Borst | Costa Rica | resonateglobalmission.org

Rev. Eric & Penny Schering | Papua, New Guinea | piministries.com

Ray & Angie De Lange | United Kingdom | eastwest.org/missionaries

Tapestries of Life Ministries | Mexico | tapestriesoflifeministries.org

Brad & Ruth Eidsen | Camp Forest Springs: Wisconsin | forestsprings.us

Mike & Victoria Van Der Dyke | Nigeria | resonateglobalmission.org

Re. Jeong & Misook Gho | Japan | resonateglobalmission.org

James & Sarah Zwier - Zuni CRC: New Mexico | zunichristianmission.org

Mo & Erin Pacheco | Grace in Garfield: Chicago | graceingarfield.com

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Accompanist/Worship Planner: Jan Slinkman

Worship Leader: Dan Roelofs

Worship Leader: Kristen Voss

Office Hours

Monday - Thursday: 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Friday: 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Summer Office Hours (Beginning Tuesday, May 27)

Monday - Friday: 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Faith CRC Teams

Care: Dirk Glaubke, Al Miedema

Communion: Al Miedema, Don Miller, Len Turnbull

Worship: Jim Engel, Matthew Lanser, Bob Loerop, Don Miller, Dirk Rauglas

Music: Jim Engel, Donna Erdman, Kathy Greenfield, Bob Leorop,
Mike Oldenburger, Dan Roelofs, Jan Slinkman, Jill Veenstra, Kristen Voss

Discipleship: Melissa Biesboer, Jim Engel, Christopher Koopmans,
Susan Middel, Julie Speelman, Niki Tazelaar

Library: Kim Biesboer, Nancy Boer, Laura Miller, Chuck Slinkman

Expanding God's Kingdom: Steve David, David Egan, Dirk Glaubke

Missions: Mary Baas, Scott Folkerts, Sharon Holtrop, Bill Hoving,
Don Oostman, Susan Slinkman, Len Turnbull, Randy Van Dahm,
Gary Vander Naald

Re4m: Abbie Egan, Dirk Glaubke, Jim Holtrop, Greg Lanenga,
Matthew Lanser, Byron Plate, Dirk Rauglas, Niki Tazelaar, Chelsea Van Dyk

Youth Ministries: Peter Groenewald, Abbie Egan, Laura Lanser,
Kathy Miedema, Mike Oldenburger, Joy Koopmans, Chelsea Van Dyk,
Logan Van Proyen

Sunday School: Kathy Meidema, Bethany Voss

Decorating: Rebecca Anderson, Charis Engel, Joy Hoving, Jayne Lindemulder,
Niki Tazelaar, Megan Veurink

Executive: Matthew Lanser, Don Miller, Mike Oldenburger, Dirk Rauglas,
Marv Tazelaar, Corey Van Dyk

Fellowship: Jon Huizinga, Jay & Melanie Lumkes, Brad & Kathy Meidema,
Ray & Susan Middel, Bill Ridder, Hank & Becky VanderNaald

Finance: Steve De Boer, Mike Hoving, Byron Plate, Marv Tazelaar,
Mike Speelman, Jon Veurink

Nursery: Joy Koopmans, Mindy Slinkman

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John Tazelaar, Matt Tazelaar, Al Tobin

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Timothy Liaison: Jen David, Steve De Boer, Jon Huizinga, Todd Lindemulder,
Corey Van Dyk



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**Faith Focus on Ministries:
Cadets Boys Club**

Cadets Boys Club helps boys, grades 4 through 8, grow spiritually in all areas of life. Outdoor adventures, group activities, hands-on projects, and Bible studies encourage Cadets to become more Christ-like in all areas of life. Cadets meet on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays each month through the school year from 7 pm - 9 pm. They also host a pancake breakfast fundraiser and father son campouts through the year. In addition to our Cadet meetings here at Faith, they also have events bringing all the area cadet groups together with a winter derby, pinewood derby, and competition day retreat.

Sermon Notes:



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Sunday worship times:
9:30 AM & 6:00 PM