

**Our Morning Worship Celebration
March 10, 2019**

*Please stand if you are able. CCLI #757338
In the litany, please read in unison all lines or sections in **bold** print.

We Gather In the Presence of God

- Prelude
- Welcome and Announcements
- *Call to Worship (screens)
- *God's Greeting
- *Opening Song: *"I Will Sing of My Redeemer"* LUYH #568:1, 2 & 4

We Are Renewed By God's Grace

- Prayer of Confession
- Words of Assurance
- Song: *"The Lord, My Shepherd, Rules My Life"* LUYH #732
- Intercessory Prayer
- Offerings for the General Fund and Christian Education Fund
- Offertory Song of Preparation: *"He Will Hold Me Fast"*
(Children in Toddler Church and Children's Worship are dismissed.)

God Speaks from His Word

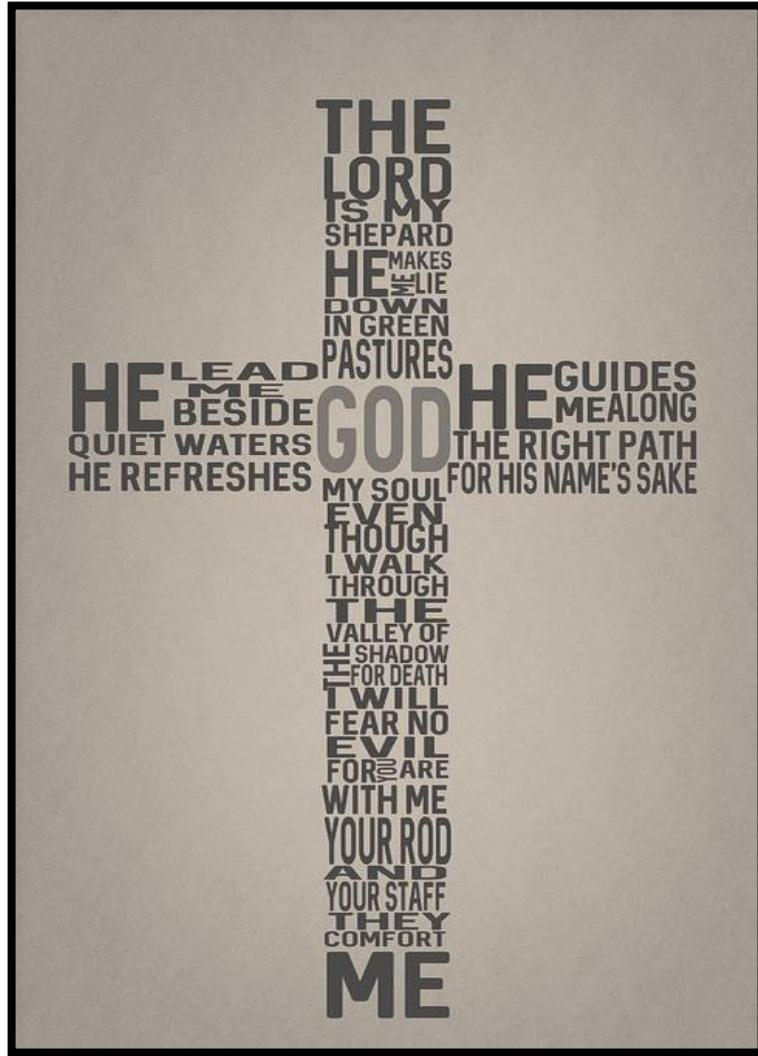
- Reading of Psalm 23 for Three Generations
- Message
- Prayer of Application
- *Song of Response: *"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"* LUYH #330:1, 2 & 3

We Celebrate the Lord's Supper

- Summary of Scripture Teachings
- Words of Institution
- Prayer of Thanksgiving
- Preparing the Bread and Cup (screens)
- The Invitation
- Passing of the Bread: *"Death Was Arrested"*
- Passing of the Juice: Redemption and Grace Scripture
- Prayer of Thanksgiving
- Thank Offering for the Benevolent/Safe Families Fund
- Offertory Song of Thanksgiving: *"Gift of Finest Wheat"* LUYH #815:1, 2 & 5

We Leave with God's Blessing

- *God's Parting Blessing
- *Closing Song: *"Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"* LUYH #590:8
- *Postlude



Faith Christian Reformed Church
First Sunday of Lent

Assisting us in our Worship:

Minister of the Word: Pastor Bob Pollema
Organist: Mary Bierma Violinist: Raelle Van Maanen
Psalm 23 Readers: Kathy Droog, Alissa Roetman, Reagan Roetman
Communion Scripture Readers: Randy and Norma Geels
Ministry through Music: Samantha De Boer

Our Evening Worship Celebration

Prelude
Opening Prayer
Call to Worship (screens)
Opening Songs: *“Lord Most High”*
“Living Hope”
“Oceans”
Intercessory Prayer
Offering for Faith Mission and Outreach
Offertory Song: *“Abide with Me”* LUYH #466
Psalm 23 Responsive Prayer (screens)
*Song: *“Psalm 23”*
Prayer for Illumination
Scripture: Isaiah 49:8-12, Matthew 6:24-34
Message
Prayer of Application
*Song of Response: *“Still, My Soul Be Still”*
*God’s Parting Blessing
*Closing Song: *“Like a River Glorious”* LUYH #699
*Postlude

Assisting us in our Worship:

Minister of the Word: Pastor Bob Pollema
Pianist: Lindsay Mulder
Vocalists: Samantha De Boer, Jordan Harmelink, Lisa Smith
Guitar: Memo Luna

Welcome to everyone who is worshipping with us today! We are thankful that you have joined us for worship and we invite you to make Faith Church your church home if you are seeking a place to worship regularly. Please join us for coffee and fellowship before the service and/or coffee, juice, and fellowship after the morning service. Please dispose of all styrofoam cups prior to entering the sanctuary.

Some information to acquaint you with our worship service:

- Please follow the “Order of Worship” in the bulletin and on the screen as some of the service is responsive and proceeds unannounced.
- For children we offer nursery care for infants through age 2½ downstairs; toddler church for 2½ to 3 yr. olds in church school rooms 2 & 3; and Children’s Worship for 3 yr. olds in church school room 10 and 4-5 yr. olds in rooms 17 & 18 (see order of worship indicating when the children are dismissed).
- To watch our services via Livestream go to our website www.faith-crc.org.

WORSHIP NOTES

Today, the first Sunday of Lent, we will begin a series on Psalm 23. This morning we will celebrate Holy Communion and focus on the words of verse 1: "The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not be in want." Because Pastor Bob will be gone to Croc next Sunday, we will have the second message in the Psalm 23 series this evening and will focus on verses 2-3a: "He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, he restores my soul." The shepherd's staff is set by the cross to remind us that God is our shepherd and we are his sheep. The blue and green cloth swirled at the bottom of the cross symbolizes the green pastures and the quiet waters that God leads us to.

Next Sunday, Pastor Dave Smit will lead our morning service and share God's word from Titus 2:11-14. The Laos team will share briefly about their recent trip and will give a more detailed presentation after the service. The evening service will be a praise and prayer service, focusing on praising God in song and spending time in prayer, thanking God for what he has done for us and presenting our needs before him.

This evening our service start time will go back to 6:00pm.

CHURCH FAMILY

At their last meeting, the elders had the privilege of hearing the testimonies of faith of Georgia Van Essen, Jocelyn Westerbeek and Erin Wieringa. Their public professions of faith will be given the morning of April 7.

Our Croc Mission team will leave on Friday to serve for a week. Members of the team include: Brad and Helen De Vries, Clark De Vries, Jeremy Driesen, Mike Hoekstra, Kelsey Kramer, Jill Miller, Glen Mouw, Pastor Bob, Aneka Pollema, and Byke Van Donge.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- TODAY:

Parents of infants and toddlers: the nurseries have reopened as of today.
10th grade catechism class will not meet today and March 17. Class will resume on March 24.

- THIS WEEK:

SOWing group will meet on Wednesday at 1:00pm in the fellowship hall. All women and girls are invited to join us in making hygiene kits for girls in other countries.

YPS will meet at church on Wednesday at 7:15pm. Snacks – Josh’s group.

Articles for the **April issue of the Faith Focus** are due on Friday, March 15. Please email them to faithfamilyfocus@gmail.com.

- UPCOMING EVENTS:

The Geels/Feekes household dinner will be held next Sunday, March 17, at noon in the fellowship hall. Mark your calendars!

The Worship Committee would like to organize a choir to sing on March 24 and April 21, Easter Sunday. On March 24 we will sing “The Lord Is My Shepherd” by Allen Pote and on Easter Sunday we will sing “The Hallelujah Chorus” from the Messiah at the end of the service. Rehearsals will be held the morning of March 24 and April 21 at 8:15am. If you would like to listen to the Pote selection prior to rehearsal you can YouTube it. We encourage all singers to join us for these two musical worship experiences with a special invitation to our college and high school singers.

- PLEASE NOTE:

From the Prayer Ministry Committee: We would like to introduce you to the “Communication Cards”. There are two wooden boxes located in the fellowship hall; one on the hymnal rack and one on the information table. Please take a card from the holder on the box, fill it out, and put it into the box when you finish. This communication can be as simple as a new address or phone number. It is a way for visitors to let us get to know them and serve them. We also want to share each other’s burdens and joys in prayer. The information you share will only be shared with the pastor and your elder, unless you specifically check the box that says it is okay to share with the congregation. Please use this tool as a means to enhance your prayer life and draw closer as a family of God. We encourage use by all visitors and members, young and old.

Anyone wishing to order an **Easter flower** through the church to place in the front of the sanctuary in memory of a loved one can do so by signing the sheet on the information table by April 7. Payment can be made by putting a check in the secretary’s mailbox. If you would like to purchase one on your own, please deliver it to the church on Friday, April 19, foiled and bowed, with a tag in it indicating who it is in memory of.

OFFERING SCHEDULE:

TODAY: AM: 1st - Budget; 2nd - Christian Education; AM Communion Thank Offering: Benevolent/Safe Families Fund
PM: Faith Mission and Outreach
MAR 17 PM: CAASA (Centers Against Abuse and Sexual Abuse)

THIS WEEK AT FAITH:

Sun. 9:30am-Morning Worship Celebration
10:50am-Church school and catechism classes
6:00pm-Evening Worship Celebration
Mon. 7:00pm-Household team meetings
7:30pm-Council meeting
7:30pm-Facilitators meeting
Wed. 9:00am-Staff meeting
1:00pm-SOWing group
7:15pm-YPS
7:15pm-Cadets

NURSERY SCHEDULE:

TODAY AM Inf – James M. family, Gracie D; **Todd** – Jeremy D. family, Alexa C; **PM Inf & Todd** – Andrew VDV. family, Ellie D;
MAR 17 AM Inf – Lindsay M, Mary Beth P; **Todd** – Brent K. family, Hannah A; **PM Inf & Todd** – Jeff Ni. family, Nicole K.

GREETERS:

AM
MAR 17: Scott & Melanie Wynja
Dan & Linda Kroeze

PM
Garry & Delores Zonnefeld
Steve & Karmin Kruger

REFRESHMENTS: Juice

TODAY: Jon & Teresa Dekkers
MAR 17: Dennis & Joeli Dokter

Coffee (9:00 & 10:30)

Jay & Laura Dekkers
Jon & Teresa Dekkers

CHILDREN’S WORSHIP HELPERS:

TODAY: SR/Megan/Josi
MAR 17: SR/Megan/Josi

RR: Tyra/Emilee
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TOT CHURCH:

TODAY: Kristi/Lorilyn/14
MAR 17: Lorilyn/Shirley/15

SOUND SYSTEM OPERATOR:

TODAY: Piet Westerbeek
MAR 17: Harry Wieringa
MAR 24: Jim Bolkema

PROJECTOR OPERATOR:

David Altena
Roger Broek
Linda Kroeze

USHERS:

March
Center: Jeff Visser
Center: Jeff Van Lingen
South: Peter Hoelsema
North: Ryan Van Beek
Balcony: Byron Bonnema

April

Brent Van Maanen
Andrew Van Der Vliet
Vern Eekhoff
Glen Mouw
Kally Mouw

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“Greetings brothers, sisters and friends in Christ: The weather here in Kuwait is lovely now that the rainy season and flooding is over. We had a bunch of base wide morale boosters to help everyone and keep us all safe through it. I greatly appreciate all the cards and care packages that I have been receiving. I know that I am missed, and I love sharing with the other soldiers that do not get much, if any, gifts. God is so good here. Many do not see religion in the military, but I am doing my best to help those that are here and are unsure what they should do. I have been singing on the praise team every Sunday bringing smiles and joy to others. I have also started 2 Bible studies so far and they are growing. It started out with a few soldiers and now even the chaplains like to attend and listen to what everyone has to say. I miss all of you and cannot wait to smile in front of everyone again. God Bless ~ Shane Kramer”

Members to pray for the week of 03-10-19:

Please pray for the following members this week:

- Mar 11:** Lorraine Nieuwsma
- Mar 12:** Pastor Bob & Mary Beth Pollema, Noah, Micah, Anneka
- Mar 13:** Benji & Alison Obbink, Brevan, Kaleb, Camryn
- Mar 14:** Jesse & Melissa Punt, Hannah, Haley, Chase
- Mar 15:** Marv & Helene Rietema
- Mar 16:** Clayton & Rachel Schoellerman, Brayden, Blake, Emma, Bryant
- Mar 17:** Lisa Smith

WEEKLY LIST OF PRAYER CONCERNS: (03-10-19)

Adoration --

- Ps. 36:5 ~ “Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens, your faithfulness to the skies.”

Confession --

- Prov. 28:13 ~ “He who conceals his sins does not prosper, but whoever confesses and renounces them finds mercy.”

Thanksgiving --

- I Chron. 16:8 ~ Give thanks to the Lord, call on his name; make known among the nations what he has done.”
- Give thanks for the work of the Holy Spirit and the way he works in the hearts of our children and young people.
- Give thanks for health and safety.
- Give thanks for the opportunity Shane Kramer has to share God’s love and good news with his fellow soldiers.
- Prayer of thanksgiving from Christa Longkumer, a follow up on her report that was in your mailboxes last week: praise God that Joy’s mom doesn’t have cancer! Please continue to pray that the Lord would work in her and her husband’s hearts through this ordeal.

Supplication --

- Ps. 51:10 ~ “Create in me a pure heart O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me.”
- Pray for continued healing for Makinley Schreier after her recent surgery.
- Pray for safety and a productive week for the team that leaves for Croc at the end of the week.
- Continue to pray for God’s protection over Shane Kramer as he serves in Kuwait.
- Pray this week for the New Life Reformed Church congregation and the ministry of Pastor Bobby Van Otterloo.

Memory work: spend 5 minutes a day learning this verse:

Jude 1:20 ~ “But you, dear friends, build yourselves up in your most holy faith and pray in the Holy Spirit. Keep yourselves in God’s love as you wait for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ to bring you eternal life.”