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Faith Christian Reformed Church  
March 17, 2013

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Morning Worship – 9:30 AM

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**God Calls Us Into His Presence**

Prelude  
\*Welcome and God's Greeting  
\*Song of Worship: #307 (PH) "Ye Who His Temple Throng"  
New Member Welcome & Profession: Bruce & DeDe Terpstra  
Prayer

**We Gratefully Give Our Gifts**

Ministry of Music: "See What a Morning"  
\*Song of Worship: "10,000 Reasons"  
*(children ages 3 - Kindergarten are dismissed for Children's Church)*

**(chorus)**

Bless the Lord O my soul, O my soul  
Worship His holy name  
Sing like never before O my soul  
I'll worship Your holy name

**(verse 1)**

The sun comes up it's a new day dawning  
It's time to sing Your song again  
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me  
Let me be singing when the evening comes

**(verse 2)**

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger  
Your name is great and Your heart is kind  
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing  
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find

**(verse 3)**

And on that day when my strength is failing  
The end draws near and my time has come  
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending  
Ten thousand years and then forevermore

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Offertory Prayer

Offering:

Humboldt Community Christian School

**God Speaks to Us in His Word**

Scripture: John 2:1-11 (p. 1050)  
Sermon: THE GLORY OF OUR BRIDEGROOM  
Prayer

## **We are Sent Out to Live for Jesus**

\*Song of Response: #89: 1,2,5 (WC) "Our Great Savior"  
Benediction  
\*Closing Song: #10:2 (WC) "Glorify Your Name"  
Jesus, we love You, we worship and adore You  
Glorify Your name in all the earth  
Glorify Your name, glorify Your name  
Glorify Your name in all the earth

Postlude

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Worship Leader and Sermon: Dr. Greg Schuringa  
Organ: Donna Erdman  
Piano: Jan Slinkman  
Guitars: Matt Bulthuis, Mike Printz  
Bass: Jacob De Master  
*\*Please stand if you are able (PH-Psalter Hymnal; WC-Worshiping Church)*

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**SERMON NOTES  
MARCH 17, 2013**

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## Evening Worship – 6:00 PM

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### Gathering & Giving

Prelude

\*Welcome and God's Greeting

\*Song of Worship: #314 (PH) "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

\*Profession of Faith: Articles 28-30 of the Contemporary Testimony  
Prayer

\*Song of Worship: "Lamb of God"

Your only Son, no sin to hide, but you have sent him from your side  
To walk upon this guilty sod, and to become the Lamb of God

**(chorus)**

O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the holy Lamb of God  
O wash me in his precious blood, my Jesus Christ the Lamb of God

Your gift of love, they crucified, they laughed and scorned him as he died  
The humble King they named a fraud and sacrificed the Lamb of God

I was so lost, I should have died, but you have brought me to your side  
To be led by your staff and rod, and to be called a Lamb of God

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Offertory Prayer

Offering: Love, Inc.

### Listening & Growing

Scripture: John 2:12-25 (p. 1051)

Sermon: **HOUSE CLEANING**

Prayer

\*Song of Response: #563:2-4 (WC) "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian"

\*Benediction

\*Closing Song: "Step by Step"

O God, You are my God, and I will ever praise You  
O God, You are my God, and I will ever praise You  
I will seek You in the morning and I will learn to walk in Your ways  
And step by step You'll lead me, and I will follow You all of my days

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Postlude

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Worship Leader & Sermon:

Pastor Greg Schuringa

Piano:

Jan Slinkman

*\*Please stand if you are able (PH-Psalter Hymnal; WC-Worshipping Church)*

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## Today at Faith

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**This morning and evening** in the messages we continue in the Gospel of John, covering all of chapter 2 this Sunday. We'll continue to see how this book of the Bible speaks to both those who are new to the faith and those who are long-time believers in Jesus.

**On Palm Sunday, March 24, Candidate Derek Buikema** will be at Faith and lead us in both worship services. Please be sure to give Derek a warm welcome and express our excitement about calling him to be our Minister of Congregational Life. Wish him well as he finishes his studies and let him know that we are praying for him as he decides where God is calling him to serve.

**Good Friday worship is March 29, at 7:00 PM.** As in years past we will celebrate Communion and have a "Tenebrae" worship service which is a service of growing darkness organized around a Scripture meditation and seven readings from Scripture focusing us on Christ's sacrificial atonement for our sins on the cross.

**Easter worship is March 31, at 9:30 AM & 6:00 PM.**

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## Offerings

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**Today: AM:** Humboldt Community Christian School. **PM:** Love, Inc.

**Next Week: AM:** Timothy Tuition Assistance Fund.

**PM:** P.A.D.S. of DuPage County.

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## Our Church Family

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Congratulations to **Anne Engel & Steven Loos** who were united in marriage at Faith on March 9, 2013. We wish them God's blessings as they begin their lives together. Their new address is 205 S. Yale, Villa Park, IL.

Remember **Florence Bolt** who is in hospice care.

**Sue Heerdt** continues in recovery after neck surgery.

**Rev. Lee Koning**, former Senior Minister at Faith CRC, who was also scheduled to serve this spring as our interim associate pastor, was recently diagnosed with stomach cancer, which has begun to spread beyond the stomach. As announced last Sunday he and Pat are now home in Michigan making plans for next steps which will include chemotherapy and radiation, followed by, hopefully, surgery in the upcoming months. Rev. Koning and Pat express great appreciation for the support and prayers coming from Faith. You can keep up with them through [www.carepages.com](http://www.carepages.com). Also here is their Michigan address if you'd like to send a note or card: 2624 Village Circle Ct. SW, Byron Center, MI 49315.

**Florian Tazelaar** continues in recovery and therapy at home after knee replacement surgery.

**Pat Wiltjer** is undergoing 6 weeks of radiation.

Remember to pray for those who are unable to join us in worship. Today we think of **Lorraine Hodapp** who lives in Elmhurst.

**Florian Tazelaar and family wish to thank** the congregation & pastors for the kind thoughts, prayers and cards during his recent surgery. We also want to thank all those who remembered our 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary and Florian's 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday. "We are grateful to be a part of the family of God."

**The Rusthoven family** thanks the congregation for your prayers, cards and expressions of sympathy regarding the passing of Ken's sister, Martha Lerche.

**"Just pray.** Is this not a phrase we say too lightly? Is it not the best thing we can do for one another? We hear things like: what do you need, how can I help, etc and while this is also needed and appreciated, we often respond with; we're doing ok just pray for me. Just pray....thank you Faith Church for giving me your best! Your prayers have encouraged me, comforted me and drawn me closer to our awesome God. Thank you."

Grace Harbaugh

**All God's Children Honduras Serve Trip:** We are leaving early on Friday, March 22, for our Adult Serve Trip to Comayagua, Honduras to serve the children at the Hogar de Niños Orphanage. We will return the night of Friday, March 29. The group this year will be: Justin Culver, Gloria Sanchez, Barb Weber, Marcy Taming, Kathleen & Dirk Glaubke, Regina Post, Robert & Judy Venhousen, Juliana Stremmler, Jannette Stremmler, Melissa Venhousen, Cindy & Clarence Klaassens, Bob Loerop, Ria Hoogsteen, Bernie Slinkman, Gerry Wieringa, Lambert & Judy Bronger, Paul & Pam DeBoer, Scott Kuiken, Elizabeth Kuiken, and Ed Libby. We appreciate all of your prayers as we prepare for this trip and seek God's guidance and protection. We pray that God will use us to make a difference in the lives of those we serve and meet while we are in Honduras.

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### Calendar for the Week

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| Sunday:    | 9:30 a.m.<br>10:45 a.m.<br><br>4:00 p.m.<br>6:00 p.m.<br>7:15 p.m. | Worship Service<br>Fellowship Hour, Library, Catechism<br>Sunday School, Choir Rehearsal<br>Instruments Rehearsal<br>Worship Service<br>The Gathering |
| Monday:    | 8:30 a.m.  | Women's Prayer Group  |
| Tuesday:   | 5:30 a.m.<br>1:15 p.m.<br>7:00 p.m.                                | Boot Camp<br>Senior Bible Study<br>Evangelism & Adult Ministries Committee<br>Faith Book Club   |
| Wednesday: | 7:00 a.m.<br>9:10 a.m.<br>7:00 p.m.                                | Men's Prayer Group<br>Bible Study Fellowship<br>Cadets<br>Shoebox Ministry  |
| Thursday:  | 5:30 a.m.<br>9:00 a.m.   | Boot Camp<br>Women's Bible Study  |
| Friday:    | 7:00 p.m.  | The Gathering Laser Tag   |

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## Opportunities to Serve, Grow and Connect

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**Communication with Derek Buikema:** In the narthex on the table near the visitor's booth you can find a list of Derek's prayer needs, a stack of stationery, and a box to leave a letter in. Periodically we will collect all the letters in the box and send them to Derek. Feel free to write him a short note any time and tell him you are praying for him! You are also more than welcome to drop off your own letters or cards to be included in the package. We want him to feel encouraged and supported by the Faith CRC family as he concludes his studies and decides his future. If you are interested in contacting Derek directly: [Derek.buikema@gmail.com](mailto:Derek.buikema@gmail.com) or 5344 Pendleton Ct NE, Comstock Park, MI 49321.

**The 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Passover Seder** celebration that was scheduled for today has been postponed to April 7. Parents are invited to the celebration. More information will be provided at a later date.

**The Choir for Easter morning will rehearse today & on March 24, after the morning service. Instruments will rehearse today and March 24, at 4:00 PM in the Choir room.** It's not too late to join. We so much appreciate the participation from everyone to celebrate through voices and instruments, in praise to our Lord.

**PADS sign-up sheets for April** are in the Fellowship Hall. This is your last opportunity to sign-up to help monitor the site or to bring food for this PADS season. Thank you to everyone who helped out in March.

**Our church's school board election** continues today to elect a new board representative for Timothy Christian School to replace Ray Middel, who is finishing his 3 year term. Thank you, Ray, for your three years of dedicated service to Christian education and representation of our church! Bob Hooker and Traci Hoogendoorn have been approved by council, and both have enthusiastically agreed to serve if elected. Both candidates currently have children attending Timothy Schools and have been involved in school activities. Current Timothy Board members, Steve De Boer and Cathy Bulthuis, will be continuing to serve. An election ballot has been placed in your mailbox. Please prayerfully consider your choice, mark your ballot and place it in the ballot box located on the piano in the Fellowship Hall today. Extra ballots will be next to the box if needed.

**Senior Bible Study with Rev. Dave Armstrong** will meet on Tuesday, March 19, at 1:15 PM.

**The Evangelism Committee** and the **Adult Ministries Committee** will be meeting together on Tuesday night, March 19, at 7:00 PM here at Faith Church.

**The Faith Book Club** has selected *Great Souls: Six Who Changed a Century* by David Aikman for their next discussion. A senior journalist for *Time Magazine*, David Aikman profiles six prominent global figures of his time: Billy Graham, Nelson Mandela, Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn, Mother Teresa, Pope John Paul II and Elie Wiesel. Our meeting is this Tuesday, March 19, at 7:00 PM. Grab a copy, read and be ready to enjoy the discussion.

**This Easter we would like to again display Easter lilies** as a symbol of Christ's resurrection power. You can purchase these lilies as a remembrance of your loved ones who are in God's heavenly presence; and then have their names honored in our Easter bulletin. Order envelopes are available at the narthex sign-up table. Please fill in the needed information, enclose your payment (\$14 each), and deposit your envelope in the Bulletin Announcement Box, by March 24. You may take your lilies with you after morning worship. Thank you for your participation.

**The small group planning committee** has scheduled the Video Parenting series to begin Tuesday evening, April 2, at 7:00 PM and run for the following 7 weeks. If you would still like to be part of this group, there is still room to join. Please contact Greg Lanenga, [glanenga@hotmail.com](mailto:glanenga@hotmail.com) if you are interested.

**The next Night of Worship** is scheduled for Thursday, April 11, at 7:00 PM following the Taco Dinner with The Gathering.

**Taco Dinner!** The Gathering Taco Dinner fundraiser will be held on Thursday, April 11, from 5:00-7:00 PM. Donations will go towards funding the Sr. High summer serve trip to Omaha, Nebraska.

**Please prayerfully consider joining the Evangelism Committee at a Feed My Starving Children event** on Tuesday, April 23. We have only 40 slots available, and they will go quickly. We will be volunteering on the 8:00 to 9:30 PM slot at the Aurora (555 Exchange Court) packing facility. We are hoping that some will use this event as a chance to invite neighbors or friends to a Faith CRC event, and introduce them to some of the Faith family. Kids are able to participate and are welcome. Please use the signup sheet in the back of the church. Questions? Ask a committee member, or you can see the FMSC website at <http://www.fmsc.org/>.

**Whoever said the best things in life are free...didn't know what he was talking about!** Coming June 1! Don't miss it!

**The 7th and 8th grade Catechism class is collecting aluminum cans** to raise funds for Hogar De Ninos in Honduras. Please drop off your cans (securely tied in plastic bags) by the front door of the house south of church. If you have any questions you can contact a 7th or 8th grader, Lambert Bronger or Brad Wieringa.

**Coins for CareNet** - We are waiting for the remaining 7 baby bottles that were taken home. Please return them to the church office as soon as possible.

**Do you miss us?** Please check the fellowship hall for your missing items (coffee & sippy cups, baking dishes, gloves, jewelry, clothes, etc.) left behind after various church activities. Anything left behind after April 1 will be donated to New to You.



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## Youth Ministry News

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### **The Gathering: Col 2:6-7**

- Come and join us tonight as we celebrate Easter on our last night before break.

### **Asylum:**

- Dare 2 Share will be on April 12-13.

### **Cadets & Jr. Cadets** (boys in grades 3-8)

- Cadets will meet on Wednesday, at 7:00 PM at church.

### **Up & Coming**

**TACO DINNER!** Our taco dinner fundraiser will be held on Thursday, April 11, from 5:00-7:00 PM. Donations will go towards funding the Sr. High summer serve trip to Omaha, Nebraska.

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## Serving Faith Church

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**Greeters:** John & Kathy De Vries

**Welcome Center:** Cathy Bulthuis

**Next Week:** Chuck Smith

**Saratoga Driver:** Bill Ridder

**Next Week:** Hank Bos

**Kitchen:** Josh & Kim Biesboer, Dave & Cindy Voss

**Next Week:** Bob & Linda Loerop, Steve & Sue Weglarz

**Coffee Servers:** Jack & Marlene Vos

**Next Week:** Darrell & Linda Stodola

**Library:** Jeri Cook, Betty Klaassens

**Next Week:** Chuck Slinkman

**Audio Visual:** Spencer Anderson, Chris Kakabeeke, Andrew Groenewold

**Next Week:** Steve David, Steve Folkerts, Matt Huizinga

**Infant Nursery:** Lindsey Van Schepen, Sharon Miedema

Heidi Huiner, Allyson Huisman

**Next Week:** Jessica Vander Naald, Ev Wieringa

Ashley Allen, Savannah Baron

**Toddler Nursery:** Jodi De Master, Susan Dillon

Zavien Baron, Sarah Printz, Jodi Van Dahm

**Next Week:** Niki Tazelaar, Grace Harbaugh

Heather Holtrop, Brenna Smits, Riley Wieringa

**PM Nursery:** Karen Folkerts, Bonnie Van Dyk

**Next Week:** Bethany Voss, Brittany Middel

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## Announcements from our Ministry Partners

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**Timothy Christian Schools Open House:** Sunday, March 17, at 2:00 PM. Are you interested in discovering what a Timothy Christian education might be like for your family? Please join us at TODAY'S open house- the tour begins at 2:00 PM. This Open House will feature a tour of the brand new science wing! The entire family is welcome and no preregistration is necessary. Visit <http://www.timothychristian.com/openhouse.php> or contact Marketing Director Rudi Gesch, [Gesch@timothychristian.com](mailto:Gesch@timothychristian.com) or 630-833-4616, for more information.

**Bridges: Reaching Out to Your Muslim Neighbor** – More than ever, Christians are looking for ways to bridge the gap between them and their Muslim neighbors. Grace Community CRC & Calvin CRC are hosting the free seminar *Bridges* on Friday, March 22, 7:00-9:00 PM and Saturday, March 23, from 9:00 AM – Noon at Grace Community CRC (10415 Kedvale, Oak Lawn). Led by Lindy & Cindy Lindquist of *Forerunner Ministries*, participants will work at understanding the Muslim religion and learn how to bridge the cultural gap. Please register in advance by calling the Grace Church office, 708-636-2848, or the Calvin Church office, 708-422-0790, by March 18.

**Women's Day of Joy** – March 23 – Refresh, Renew, Recharge! Trinity Christian College's Women's Guild invites you to a *Women's Day of Joy* with Jane Rubietta. Her riveting teaching and storytelling will leave you refreshed, renewed and recharged. Bring your girlfriends and laugh, learn and feel God's love. Please join us on Saturday, March 23, from 9:00 AM – 3:30 PM in the Ozinga Chapel of Trinity Christian College in Palos Heights, Illinois. Doors open and registration begins at 8:15 AM. The cost is \$32 per person and includes a delicious lunch. Register at [trinitywomensorganization.eventbrite.com](http://trinitywomensorganization.eventbrite.com) or 708-293-4990.

**Don't forget Buona Beef Day** on Tuesday, March 26, to benefit Lampstand Ministries. This means you can use your flyer all day Tuesday, March 26, 2013, at the Lombard location (Roosevelt & Fairfield, across from Ultra Foods). You can only use the flyers provided for the event. They will be in your church information area. Lampstand will receive 15-25% of the sales. Come out and enjoy delicious sandwiches all day.

**All are invited to a special Holy Week program** at Elmhurst CRC. On Wednesday, March 27, at 1:00 PM, Alan Atwood will present his one man play entitled *The Heart of God... the Story of the Bible*. This 45 minute play combines drama and humor as it invites the audience into a deep experience of God's great desire to be known and loved by the people He created. Following the program we will enjoy coffee and light refreshments in the Garden Room. A \$5 donation will help defray costs of the artist's fee and the refreshments. Sponsored by the Elmhurst Senior Ministry, this event is open to all ages and early registration is encouraged. Sign up at the table in the Elmhurst CRC lobby or call Bert or Celia DeJong, 630-530-2924.

**Humboldt Community Christian School's Annual Auction** will be held on Friday, April 12, at Faith CRC. You are invited to an entertaining evening with an opportunity to support HCCS. Auction items and volunteers are also needed. For information or to donate items, call the school, 773-278-6330.