

# *Celebration of Worship*

November 3, 2019

*Welcome to Faith Church!* We come to worship our great God for his grace shown to us in Jesus Christ and for the gift of the Holy Spirit. A special welcome to those who are our guests today. We hope that you may see the love of Christ active among us today. If you are visiting today and are looking for a church home, we invite you to consider Faith Church.

## *We Gather to Worship*

\*Gathering Song: "Lord Most High"

\*Words of Welcome

\*Call to Worship: Psalm 34:17-18, 22

The righteous cry out, and the Lord hears them;  
he delivers them from all their troubles.

The Lord is close to the brokenhearted  
and saves those who are crushed in spirit.

The Lord will rescue his servants;  
no one who takes refuge in him will be condemned.

\*God's Greeting

\*Song of Praise: "I Love to Tell the Story"

## *We Respond in Gratitude and Faith*

Prayer of Dedication

We Offer Our Gifts: "Generation of Peace"

We Pray for One Another

### *We Receive the Word of God*

\*Song of Preparation: "Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God"

Bible Reading: 1 Peter 1:3-6; 1 Peter 2:9-12; 1 Peter 3:15

Sermon: "Sharing the Hope We Have in Christ"

Prayer of Response

\*Song of Response: "I Then Shall Live" (1, 3)

### *We Gather at God's Table*

The Lord's Supper

It is our custom to wait till all are served, then to eat and drink together.

### *We Leave to Serve God and the World*

\*God's Blessing

\*Parting Song: "We Are Called" (v.1, chorus)

Come! live in the light!

Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord!

We are called to be light for the kingdom,  
to live in the freedom of the city of God!

We are called to act with justice.

We are called to love tenderly.

We are called to serve one another,  
to walk humbly with God.

# ***THIS WEEK AT FAITH CHURCH***

November 3, 2019

Nashville, TN

## **WELCOME to Faith Church today!**

**This morning**, Pastor Slings' message is "Sharing the Hope We Have in Christ," based on 1 Peter 2: 9-12 and 1 Peter 3:15.

We will also celebrate the Lord's Supper this morning. Anyone worshipping with us today who is a professing member of another Christian church is welcomed and encouraged to join with us in the celebration of Communion. As we do so, let us remember Scripture's encouragement to examine ourselves before coming to the table (1 Corinthians 11:27-29).

Immediately after the service this morning, you are all invited to the Communion Lunch in the Fellowship Hall.

## **THE FAITH CHURCH FAMILY**

**Prayer Requests:** If you have a request for prayer, either intercession or thanksgiving, please complete the yellow insert in the bulletin and place it in the offering plate during the worship service. Please note on the prayer request form if you would prefer that the request not be placed in the bulletin the following Sunday.

### **Thank God for answered prayers!**

--Praise God for Joyce's successful cataract surgery. Pray for her upcoming surgery on the other eye.

--Praise God that Jeriah's procedure went well. They found abrasions and inflammation in the esophagus (not as serious as an ulcer). Please continue to pray that the new treatment plan will be effective and that there will be no side effects from all his medications.

--Praise God Fred Kelly was not seriously injured in his car accident. He is sore, but doing okay.

**Please pray for these needs:**

--Pray for Carl Silcox as he mourns his wife's passing. Pray for him to move through this season of sadness and despair. Comfort him as he faces the return to life as usual without someone he held dear.

--Pray for Katherine and John. Please continue to pray for their marriage, the move to NC and that the visitation agreement for Cecilia will be resolved in her best interest.

--Pray for Tom's friend, Mo, who is trying to find a job and better her life. She had a job prospect, looked good and looked hopeful. The job didn't come through and she look despondent and disheveled. Pray that she doesn't give up, that she continues to work to improve her life, and that she will find God is working in her life.

--Pray for David Kiemer and his family (Luke's classmate's father). David is a survivor of brain cancer, but suffered a brain injury a few months ago and is struggling for recovery. Please pray for full healing and sustaining his family during this difficult time.

--Pray for Maudelle's health and God's provision for her needs.

--Pray for Tony as he sees the doctor for a follow-up after his surgery.

--Pray for Sheri's sister, Patti's healing and recovery.

--Pray for Sheri's friend, Lisa, who is caring for her brother as she waits to find out if she will be starting a new job.

--Pray for the homeless, pray for those who provide services for the homeless. Pray that those who are living on the streets can find a way to provide for themselves and manage an apartment or some type of housing and become self-sufficient. Pray for those who cannot manage this, those that are caught between the mental health system and the legal system, but end up on the streets trying to find shelter and a meal.

--Pray for Dan & Gloria Jongsma as they consider accepting the call to Faith Church.

--Pray for Pastor Porte and our Reformed brothers and sisters in Valencia, Venezuela as they deal with significant poverty and financial challenges there.

--Pray for our Christian brothers and sisters in Kenya and for Rev. Joseph Murupus and the other pastors as they work with the Reformed Churches in East Africa.

--Pray for our President and Congress as they lead our nation. Pray that God may grant them wisdom and direction.

## **FAITH CHURCH'S VISION**

Faith Church, Nashville is a dynamic and diverse community of God's family, striving to faithfully proclaim and teach the whole word of God and to apply it to all of life. We celebrate God's grace in Jesus Christ through our worship and ministry, seeking out families and individuals whom God is calling to grow with us.

## **WEEKLY SCHEDULE**

### **Today:**

9:45 am Sunday School

11:00 am Morning Worship

## **SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDIES**

**The Brentwood Small Group** meets every second and fourth Wednesday night at 6:45 pm for an excellent dinner and study at the home of Mike and Laura Purswell. For more information call Mike or Laura Purswell at 615-370-8397. Email Mike at [hmstyle@comcast.net](mailto:hmstyle@comcast.net), or Laura at [Impurswell@comcast.net](mailto:Impurswell@comcast.net).

**The Donelson Small Group** is reorganizing its meeting time. Contact Bart and Brynna Spain for the details.

## **SPECIAL EVENTS AT FAITH:**

### **Special Offerings:**

First Sunday of the month - Offering for Benevolent Fund

Second Sunday of the month - Change for Tusculum School.

### **Happy Birthday to**

Leo Lujan

November 7

### **Retreat 2020:** Church Retreat - Response Needed:

Joy Sayers needs to know how many people plan to attend the upcoming retreat May 1-3 at Lake Barkley State Resort Park (same location as 2018.) If you plan to attend please let her know so Faith can continue to hold the accommodations.

## **ITEMS OF INTEREST**

**Adult Sunday School Class:** George Garden is leading a devotional discussion on the Sermon on the Mount.

**Contact Pastor** Dale Slings at (269) 806-1766

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**Last week's offering:** The deacons gratefully acknowledge the offering received last week:

General Fund:           \$670.00

Benevolent Fund:       \$25.00

“A checkbook and financial statements are theological documents; they will tell you who and what you worship.” Brian Kluth

## **OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE**

**Nursery today:** Laura & Mary

**Nursery next week:** Larissia & Ann

**Responsibilities for October:**

**Set Up/Clean Up Crew:** Card, Rivers, Spain, Walker