

Celebration of Worship

April 7, 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.

The People of God Gather

- *Gathering Song: "Crown Him with Many Crowns"
- *Call to Worship: from Isaiah 55 and John 4
- *God's Greeting

To Praise God

- *Framing our Worship
- *Songs of Praise:
 - "I Will Sing of My Redeemer"
 - Scripture: Isaiah 53:10-11
 - "How Deep the Father's Love for Us"
- *Prayer of Praise

To Pray and Give to God

- Prayer of Dedication
- Offering
- The Prayers of God's People

To Proclaim the Word of God

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

(Lift 746:1,3)

Bible Reading: Romans 5:6-8

Sermon: "The Substitute"

Introduction: Examples of substitution: baseball, school, Dave

1. The teaching of Jesus' substitutionary death: Romans 5:8
2. Objections to this doctrine: two
3. The Old Testament cultivates the concept of substitution:
 - Through figures like Judah
 - Through sacrifices
 - Through prophecy
4. The wonder of it all
5. God's genius

Prayer of Response

*Song of Response: "Before the Throne of God Above"

(Lift 682:1-3)

To Partake of the Lord's Supper

The Preparation

The Song: "Let Us Break Bread Together" (Lift 837:1-3)

The Table of the Lord

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

To Part in God's Service and Grace

*God's Blessing

*Parting Song: "We Are People on a Journey" (Lift 142:1-2)

THIS WEEK AT FAITH CHURCH

April 7, 2019

Nashville, TN

WELCOME to Faith Church today!

This morning, Pastor Neil's message is: "The Substitute," based on Romans 5:6-8

We will also celebrate the Lord's Supper this morning. Anyone worshiping 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 that Jenny's father-in-law is doing better after having a heart attack a few weeks ago and then requiring surgery. Please pray that he continues to recover quickly and completely.

--Praise God for Jerry and Claire and that they came to worship with us.

Please pray for these needs:

--Pray for healing for Alice Rivers and Cindy Davis.

--Pray for Kat Olson as she takes her five Qualifying Exams, the next two weeks will be a "veritable whirlwind." Pray for her peace of mind, her energy and concentration.

--Pray for Lana Sims and other faculty who were let go when Daymar College was suddenly bought out. Pray that they can find suitable employment.

--Pray continually for our council and our pastor outreach team as they do God's work in managing and leading 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

Wednesday:

11:00 a.m. Prayer Meeting

Thursday:

6:00 am Morning Bible Study

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, or Laura at Impurswell@comcast.net.

The Donelson Small Group meets the first and third Wednesday night at 6:30 at the home of Bart and Brynna Spain. Contact Bart and Brynna for the details.

SPECIAL EVENTS AT FAITH:

Special Offerings:

Today -- First Sunday of the month - Offering for Benevolent Fund

Second Sunday of the month - Change for Tusculum School and Supplies for the church in Venezuela.

Easter Breakfast 4/21: On Easter Sunday a breakfast together is planned for 9:30am, opened with an Easter hymn and prayer. Sign up in the Narthex for what you can bring for breakfast.

Community Outreach May 25: We are planning a community outreach fun day at the church on May 25 from 10am-2pm, with games & food. All activities including the entire event, are written in pencil depending on willingness of volunteers to help rotate to supervise at stations during the event. Also we'll ask Faith Church families attending to bring a favorite salad for the lunch. Please let us know if you're interested in helping out with the planning and implementation of this event. Thanks Donald and Joy

Happy Birthday to

Matt Purswell	April 7
Preston Card	April 10
Katherine Campbell-Orde	April 14

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Study during Sunday School 'hour': Kelly Minter's Bible Study No Other Gods.

This is a great study on false gods. It dives deep into the Old Testament struggle of God's people with false gods and represents God's great passion for His people to call on Him alone - showing his faithful deliverance and love. It is both convicting of our modern day idol worship and exhilarating to pull these idols off their pedestals and focus on God. We will be working through the study books together during Sunday School.

Adult Sunday School Class: Donald Walker is teaching a class on 2 Chronicles 20. Please join us in this class!

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

General Fund:	\$ 299.00
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: Larissia & Jenny

Nursery next week: Sheri & Mary

Responsibilities for Next Week:

Set Up/Clean Up Crew: Lujan, Bratt, Bus, Russell