

Celebration of Worship

June 2, 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

The Ascension of Jesus: Acts 1:3-11

*Gathering Song: "Crown Him with Many Crowns"
(Lift 223:1-4)

*Call to Worship: Hebrews 4:14

*God's Greeting

To Praise God

Song of Praise: "Rejoice, the Lord Is King" (Lift 224:1-3)

Prayer of Praise

To Give and Pray to God

Prayer of Dedication

Offering: "We Are an Offering" (Lift 874)

The Prayers of God's People

To Proclaim the Word of God

*Song of Preparation: "Open the Eyes of My Heart, Lord"

Bible Reading: Ephesians 2:1-7

Sermon: "Where You Sit Matters"

1. Where you sit matters
 - Two examples
 - People in Jesus' day knew that
2. God seated us with him in the heavenly realms
 - A spiritual reality
 - Resurrection, ascension, session: us!
 - Not a future tense; a past tense
3. What does it mean exactly?
 - We are close to God
 - We receive God's favor
 - We share God's mission

Prayer of Response

*Song of Response: "Alleluia, Sing to Jesus" (Lift 831:1-3)

To Partake of the Lord's Supper

The Thanksgiving

The Prayer

The Profession

The Song: "I am the Bread of Life" (Lift 842:1,3)

The Invitation

The Celebration

Words of Gratitude: II Corinthians 9:15

To Part in God's Service and Grace

*God's Blessing

*Parting Song: "All Hail King Jesus"

THIS WEEK AT FAITH CHURCH

June 2, 2019

Nashville, TN

WELCOME to Faith Church today!

This morning, Pastor Neil's message is: "Where You Sit Matters," based on Ephesians 2:1-7

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!

--Thanks be to God that Alice's pathology report shows that all of the cancer cells are gone. Now she will have radiation and is awaiting a date to begin treatment. Pray for continued health and strength for Alice Rivers.

Please pray for these needs:

- Pray for Gayle Breece's health, that her MS backs down and her symptoms cease.
- Pray for Maudelle's back pain to lessen and that she finds relief from sciatica.
- Pray for the children of Faith Church.
- Pray for others who are struggling with pain and illness, John and Joyce Stewart, Claire Hoek, Cindy Davis, Kim Silcox, Jaden Walker.
- Pray for Sheri's co-worker, Tracy. Her parents were driving north and were run over by a semi truck. They both have broken backs and her father is bleeding internally.
- Pray for the Spirit's discernment in our pastor search and the council's meeting and direction.
- 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
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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.

Happy Birthday to

Sara Bus	June 1
Jennifer Kamper	June 5
Matt Hoek	June 8

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:	\$ 1063.00
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: Sheri & Jenny

Nursery next week: Brynna & Katherine

Responsibilities for June:

Set Up/Clean Up Crew:

Breece, Cole, Garden