

Celebration of Worship

July 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.

We Gather to Worship

*Gathering Song: "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

*Words of Welcome

*Call to Worship (Psalm 9:1-2):

Leader: I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart;

People: I will recount all of your wonderful deeds.

Leader: I will be glad and exult in you;

People: I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.

*God's Greeting

Song of Praise: "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"

We Celebrate God's Grace

Call to Confession: Hebrews 12:11-17

Prayer of Confession

Words of Assurance: Romans 5:8, I Peter 2:24

Song of Assurance: "Marvelous Grace of Our Loving Lord"

We Respond in Gratitude and Faith

Prayer of Dedication

Offering

Congregational Prayer of Joys and Concerns

We Receive the Word of God

*Song of Preparation: "Open Our Eyes, Lord"

Bible Reading: Joshua 22:10-34

Sermon: "Preserving Our Heritage"

Rev. Gilbert Varela

*Song of Response: "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"

We Leave to Serve God and the World

*God's Blessing

Therefore, my beloved brothers,

be steadfast, immovable,

always abounding in the work of the Lord,

knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ

and the love of God

and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all. Amen.

*Gathering Song: "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" (Lift 581)

*Call to Worship: Hebrews 12:1-2a

*God's Greeting

THIS WEEK AT FAITH CHURCH

July 7, 2019

Nashville, TN

WELCOME to Faith Church today!

This morning, Pastor Gilbert Varela is our guest preacher. The message this morning is: "Preserving Our Heritage," based on Joshua 22:10-34.

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 the pastor search team and the progress made. Pray for the Spirit's discernment in our pastor search and the council's direction.

Please pray for these needs:

--Pray for safe travels for Pastor Neil and Ruth as they vacation around Wisconsin and Michigan, followed by meetings in Chicago.

- Pray for Maudelle's back pain to lessen and that she finds relief from sciatica.
- Pray for others who are struggling with pain and chronic illness, Alice Rivers, Claire Hoek, Kim Silcox, John and Joyce Stewart, Cindy Davis, Joe Cole and Jaden Walker.
- 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, 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

Evan Barnett

July 8

Joy Sayers

July 12

Retreat 2020: Faith Church 2020 retreat plans are underway. This upcoming event will be May 1-3, 2020, at Lake Barkley State Resort Park in Kentucky. (Same location as 2018.) If there is anyone interested in participating on the retreat committee, please talk to Joy Sayers.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Pastor Mark and Stephanie Hofman will be visiting Faith on July 19th - 21st. More details will be coming soon as the council plans the details of this visit.

Adult Sunday School Class: George Garden is leading a devotional discussion on the Sermon on the Mount, starting with Matthew 5.

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

General Fund: \$ 487.00

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: Brynna & Katherine

Nursery next week: Laura & Ann

Responsibilities for June:

Set Up/Clean Up Crew:

Card, Rivers, Spain, Walker