

A vibrant image of a sunburst breaking through a layer of white clouds. The sun is a brilliant, glowing orb in the center, with numerous rays of light radiating outwards in all directions. The sky above the clouds is a clear, deep blue, while the area below the clouds transitions into a warm, golden-yellow hue, suggesting a sunrise or sunset. The overall effect is one of hope, renewal, and divine light.

# HE IS RISEN

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CELEBRATE THE RESURRECTION

He has delivered us from the power of darkness.

COLOSSIANS 1:13 (NKJV)

## God's Invitation Gathers Us

"The Stone Was Rolled Away"

*Faith Easter Choir*

Welcome

God's Greeting

"Crown Him with Many Crowns"

*#92:1-4 (WC)*

## God's Grace Claims Us

Psalm of Praise

"Easter Celebration"

*Faith Easter Choir*

"Christ The Lord Is Risen Today"

*#356 (PH)*

Congregational Prayer

Children's Blessing

*Preschool & Kindergartners are dismissed for Children's Church*

"Low in The Grave He Lay"

*#357 (PH)*

## God's Word Speaks to Us

Prayer

John 20:1-20

*pg. 1074*

**The Risen King**

## We Respond to God's Work

Profession of Faith

*Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 1*

Prayer

Offering: World Renew

## God's Blessing Equips Us

"Resurrection Chorus"

*Faith Easter Choir*

"Thine Is the Glory"

*#251:1-2 (WC)*

Benediction

"He Lives"

*#248:1,3 (WC)*

# Leading us in Worship

**Worship Leader & Sermon:**

Pastor Matthew Lanser

**Praise Team:**

Faith Easter Choir, Donna Erdman, Zach Flikkema,  
Lucy Hoogstra, Will Hoving, Dan Roelofs, Susan Slinkman,  
Jan Slinkman, Chase Southwood, Chris Tang, Clement Tang, Grace Tobin,  
Bonnie VanProyen, Jacob Tazelaar, Liam Tazelaar, Kristen Voss

## This Week at Faith

**Sunday Morning:** We celebrate that Christ is risen indeed! On this Easter morning we'll read the good news of Jesus' resurrection from John 20:1-20 as part of our "Gospel of Glory series."

**Sunday Evening:** We will not have a service. You're welcome to view the Good Friday service or a past Easter service on our YouTube channel for a time of individual or family worship.

**Next week,** we'll read John 20:11-23 in the morning, and Matthew 21:1-17 in the evening.

## Prayer Requests

**Need prayer?** If you have prayer needs, please contact your district elder or one of the pastors. Send prayer requests at any time to [prayer@faithelmhurst.org](mailto:prayer@faithelmhurst.org).

**Wilma Folkerts** recently began hospice care.

Please for **Karen Westering** and her family as her son, Bill, recently entered hospice care.

Continue to pray for **Trudy Laning** as she recovers from a recent shoulder surgery.

## Praise and Thanksgiving

The **Mission Team** would like to thank the congregation for their generous offerings for **Mission India**. We collected \$1,534 (that's \$3,068 with the Easter match) which will help so many children attend their Bible camp!

## Upcoming Worship

April 27 AM:	Matthew Lanser	April 27 PM:	George Tan
May 4 AM	Matthew Lanser	May 4 PM	Matthew Lanser
May 11 AM	Matthew Lanser	May 11 PM	Guest Pastor

## Offering Schedule

**Need support?** If you are experiencing financial hardship, please reach out to your district deacon (the office can get you connected). They are eager to do what they can.

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Morning</b>	<b>Evening</b>
April 27	GEMS International	Luke Society
May 4	Faith Promise Missions	ReFrame Ministries
May 11	Christian Education Fund	Bible League International

## Announcements

Faith CRC will be having their annual **Congregational Meeting** on Sunday, May 04 after the morning service. The budget for the 2025-2026 ministry year will be reviewed and voted on and we will elect new officers to Council. Here are the names for the office of Deacon: Dave Denazarie, Brett Harbaugh, Cal Hoving, Jon Kinnas, Brad Miedema, and Chase Southwood. Here are the names for the office of Elder: Spencer Anderson, Scott Folkerts, Matt Huizinga, Bob Loerop, Ray Middel, and Herm Vander Naald. We would like to thank those that have served the past three years and are now ending their term. Your leadership and wisdom will be missed. Jim Engel (Elder), Don Miller (Elder), John Tazelaar (Elder), Marv Tazelaar (Deacon), Gary Vander Naald (Deacon) and Adam Zarek (Deacon). We will be selecting three deacons and three elders to serve the 2025-2028 term.

This year's Christian Education **Tuition Assistance** night is scheduled for **Wednesday, April 30 at 7:00 PM**. If you need help with tuition at Timothy Christian Schools, or other approved Christian school, fill out the forms in your mailboxes or request one from the office ([office@faithelmhurst.org](mailto:office@faithelmhurst.org)) and bring it with on April 30<sup>th</sup> to meet with a deacon.

**Trudy Laning's** phone number has changed to 630-915-2718. Please update your contacts and directories.

**Seniors' Bible Study** will have our next meeting on Tuesday, April 29 at 1:00PM to finish up our study of the gospel of Luke

**Faith CRC Springfest** will be **Saturday, May 10**. Save The Date! Lots of fun activities are being planned. You won't want to miss out on this fun day! We are currently looking for auction items. If you are willing to donate sports tickets, restaurant gift cards, services (i.e. babysitting, cooking etc.) or brand new, unused items, please contact David Egan, Bill Ridder or Matt Sowers.

**Faith Book Club 2.0 reboot?** COVID shut down the Faith CRC Book club and we're reaching out to see if there is any interest to reboot the book club. Look for the signup sheet at the registration counter or talk to Chuck Slinkman.

**Registration is open! Join is for Vacation Bible School (VBS).** Kids ages 3 through 5<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to join us as we brave the woods and head True North, learning to trust Jesus in a wild world through worship, games, lessons, and fun! Our VBS week is Monday through Friday, June 23-27, from 9:00-11:30am. Spread the word and invite your friends. **Register now at [faithelmhurst.org/vbs](http://faithelmhurst.org/vbs).**

**Pray on Wednesday:** This ministry year, we'll have a prayer time on most Wednesdays at 1:00PM. You're welcome to come regularly, occasionally, or even just once. We'll pray for personal needs, for our church, and for the world, with some different focus points each week. Dirk Glaubke, Dirk Rauglas, and Pastor Matthew will be taking turns leading these prayer times; contact any of them with questions.

**God is working at Faith CRC!** Beginning in May, this will be the new theme of our Faith Focus spot on the back of the bulletin and in our Friday emails. We want to hear from you! How do you see God working in and through Faith CRC? What are you thankful for? Send in your stories and experiences (about 150 words or less) to [office@faithelmhurst.org](mailto:office@faithelmhurst.org), text 330-223-5216, or put it in the Faith Focus collection box at the registration counter.

## Giving and Volunteer Opportunities

**Ebenezer CRC** is having a **clothing distribution** on Saturday, May 3. They are in need of children's, women's and especially men's clothing (socks and underwear are also appreciated!) and shoes. **Please bring in new or gently worn items BEFORE May 2.** See Sandy Turnbull with any questions or for pick-up. Thank you for your generous heart for the Ebenezer community.

We are in need of **volunteers for Springfest**. If you are able to donate your time to help make Springfest a big success, please sign-up on the sheet in the narthex so we can make preparations. If you have questions about donating, please contact a deacon or [springfest@faithelmhurst.org](mailto:springfest@faithelmhurst.org).

**Love to bake or craft? Springfest** is calling your name! Do you have a favorite recipe that everyone always asks for? Consider donating a batch for Springfest's bake sale. Are you crafty? Do you have an idea for handmade items that can be sold at Springfest's craft sale? Please contact David Egan, Bill Ridder or Matt Sowers or [springfest@faithelmhurst.org](mailto:springfest@faithelmhurst.org). All donations should be brought to church by Friday, May 9.

**We need your help** turning church into a forest for **VBS**! Let us take that old Christmas tree off your hands! Happen to see a faux tree being thrown out, grab it, or give us a call at 630-279-1776! We are looking for artificial trees of any size (Christmas trees or ficus). We could also use heavy duty cardboard of any size, but especially large pieces. **Please bring your trees and cardboard to the church office!** If you need help getting an item here, please contact the office at 630-279-1776 or [office@faithelmhurst.org](mailto:office@faithelmhurst.org).

Our recent trip to serve at **My Brother's Kitchen** was a success thanks to many of you who donated food and volunteered to serve! We will have three more opportunities to donate and serve in this way again. We would love for you to consider donating food or serving on Saturday, June 28, August 30, or November 29. We will post more details and signup sheets as the dates approach.

## Community Announcements

You are invited to **Chicago West Side Christian School's** upcoming birthday party celebrating 55 years of Christian education in the city! The benefit will be Saturday, April 26, from 5:30 - 8:30 at the school (1240 South Pulaski Road, Chicago, IL 60623). Info and registration are available by calling 773-542-0665 or online at [CWSCS55.givesmart.com](http://CWSCS55.givesmart.com). We hope you can join us!

**Timothy Christian Schools** is seeking a creative and passionate High School Photography & Art Teacher to join our faculty for the 2025-2026 school year. This position includes teaching high school photography and art classes, as well as middle school art classes. The ideal candidate will have a strong understanding of both traditional and digital photography, with a preference for experience developing photos in a darkroom setting. To find more about this job and others at Timothy, visit [timothychristian.com/employment](http://timothychristian.com/employment).

**Greenhouse Christian Co-School** has open positions available to qualified candidates who want to serve the Lord in their professional careers. They have a classical education program that works with homeschool families. Positions for the Fall semester starting in September 2025 and a part time HR position starting July 2025. Please visit [greenhousecoschool.org/employment](http://greenhousecoschool.org/employment) or call Jerry Smith at 630-462-9657 ext. 223.

## Youth Announcements

**Sunday School & Faith Foundations** does not meet today. Next week will be our final meeting of the school year!

**GEMS** will have their final meeting this Wednesday, April 23, at 6:30PM. If you have questions, reach out to [gems@faithelmhurst.org](mailto:gems@faithelmhurst.org).

**Cadets (4th – 8th Grade Boys)** have the **4<sup>th</sup> grade rocket launch** on May 7.

**The Gathering** meets next Sunday, April 27, at 6PM. This will be our last regular meeting for the year, so don't miss it! If you have any questions, email [thegathering@faithelmhurst.org](mailto:thegathering@faithelmhurst.org).

**Sign up for VBS** happening June 23-27 from 9:00-11:30 AM for ages 3 years old through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Register at [faithelmhurst.org/vbs](http://faithelmhurst.org/vbs)

# This Week at Faith

## **Sunday, April 20**

Easter Sunday

Easter Choir Practice | 8:30 AM | Sanctuary

Men's Bible Reading Fellowship | 8:30 AM | Room 4/5

Pre-Worship Prayer Time | 9:10 AM | Room 1

Easter Morning Worship | 9:30 AM | Sanctuary

## **Tuesday, April 22**

The Gathering Hangout | 3:00 PM | Church House

## **Wednesday, April 23**

BSF Class Day | 9:00 AM | Church

Wednesday Prayer Time | 1:00 PM | Library

The Gathering Hangout | 3:00 PM | Church House

GEMS Meeting | 6:30 PM | Fellowship Hall

## **Thursday, April 24**

Mom2Mom | 9:00 AM | Fellowship Hall

Senior Men's Coffee Fellowship | 9:30 AM | Choir Room

## **Friday, April 25**

Men's Bible Study | 6:30 AM | Library

## **Saturday, April 26**

Men's Morning Prayer Group | 7:00 AM | Library

## **Sunday, April 27**

GEMS Sunday

Men's Bible Reading Fellowship | 8:30 AM | Room 4/5

Pre-Worship Prayer Time | 9:10 AM | Room 1

Morning Worship | 9:30 AM | Sanctuary

Mission Team Meeting | 10:45 AM | Room 1

MS Faith Foundations | 10:45 AM | Room 3

HS Faith Foundations | 10:45 AM | Church House

Sunday School Singing | 10:45 AM | Sanctuary

Sunday School | 11:00 AM | South Hall

Evening Worship | 5:00 PM | Sanctuary

The Gathering | 6:00 PM | Fellowship Hall



# Serving Faith Church

**Audio Visual:** Brett Harbaugh, Michael Speelman, Mindy Slinkman

**Next Week:** Chris Slinkman, Sue Slinkman, Robert Flikkema

**PM Audio Visual:** No Service

**Next Week:** Al Miedema

**Security Host:** Matt Sowers

**Next Week:** Bill Hoving

**April Greeters:** Don Miller, Jim Engel, John Tazelaar

**May Greeters:** Len Turnbull, Al Miedema, Steve David

**Refreshments:** Holiday – No Refreshments

**Next Week:** Hank and Becky Vander Naald

**Children's Church:** Chelsea Van Dyk, Joy Koopmans, Maggie Oldenburger

**Next Week:** Erik Van Kampen, Scott Piersma, Rachel Hoogstra

**Nursery:** College Sitters™

**Next Week:** Joy Koopmans, Cindy Vander Naald, Alex Koopmans

**Sunday School:** Holiday – No Sunday School

**Next Week:** Mindy Slinkman, Joy Koopmans, Rebecca Anderson,  
Julie Speelman, Chelsea Van Dyk, Bethany Voss



**faith  
focus**

**Faith Focus on Ministries:**

**Men's Bible Reading Fellowship**

Do you have a desire to grow in biblical wisdom, knowledge, and understanding through prayer, Bible study, and fellowship with others? God wants to have a closer relationship with each of us, and He will answer this request through the work of the Holy Spirit. *The Men's Bible Reading Fellowship* is a group that meets every Sunday morning for 30 minutes at 8:30 in rooms 4 and 5 prior to the morning service. We pray together, read together, and learn together by reading the Bible passage for the morning sermon and we discuss it together. By doing so, we can know the scripture and have an easier time understanding the sermon and applying it to our lives. There is absolutely no commitment or work to do to be a part of this group. Please consider joining us, we would love to have you.

"Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path."

(Psalm 119:105)



## Easter Lily Memorial List



*"The body that is sown is perishable, it is raised  
imperishable." "Where, O death, is your victory?  
Where, O death, is your sting? Thanks be to God! He  
gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."  
1 Corinthians 15:42b, 54b-55, 57*

Loved ones Jesus has called home:

Dorothy Allen	Catlin Kidders	Thomas Tazelaar
Jim Allen	Milan Kidders	Alice Teune
Tom Allen	Shaun King	Dan Teune
Richard & Gertrude	David C. Klasses	Daniel Teune
Bakker	Lawrence & Betty	Evelyn Teune
Derke P. Bergsma	Klasses	Gladys Teune
Angelo & Leonna Bertini	Henry Koster	Joe Teune
Kenneth & Leonice	Dale Kwart	Kathi Teune
Blackford	Lois Kwart	Kathy Teune
Robert Blackford	Jenny Laning	Lynda Teune
Ike & Grace Boer	Dick Lindemulder	David Tobin
Tom Boer	Harold & Lena	Ken Van Byssum Jr.
Joe & Alice Boeringa	Lindemulder	Mark Van Dahm
Robert & Margaret Boone	Phillip & Vivian	Kenneth Van Stedum
Thomas & Grace Bulthuis	Matravers	Sheri Van Tholen
Lawrence (Larry)	Otto & Gert Miedema	Ben & Jenny Vander
Cunningham	Clarence Nell	Naald
George & Barb Decker	Sandy Oostman	Ron Vander Naald
James (Jim) Decker	Evelyn Grace Rauglas	Edward & Grace VanDyke
Andrew Diepstra	Raymond J. Rozendal	Peter & Catherine
Marie Diepstra	Ted & Bernice Rozendal	Venhousen
Judy Engbers	Ray & Min Schaafsma	Robert & Donna
Bill & Corine Engel	George & Char Schipma	Venhousen
Alexander & Justine	John & Jean Slinkman	Sherri Venhousen
Erdman	John & Marion Slinkman	Evelyn Vos
Edward & Grace Ernst	Chuck Smith	John O. Vos
Jake & Marie Gelderloos	Cindy Speelman	Henry Voss
Pam Goudzwaard	Andrew Spinder	Shirley Vroom
Jake & Ruth Heerdt	Lena Spinder	Bob Wieringa
Lambert & Catherine	Roy Stears	Gerrit & Nellie Wieringa
Herlien	Joseph & Evelyn Stob	Jerry Wieringa
Louisa Grace Herlien	Ed & Betty Tazelaar	Agnes Zaagman
John Hoekstra	Flora Tazelaar	Dirk Zaagman
Peter & Kathryn Holtrop	Gert Kooima Tazelaar	Garrett Joel Zaagman
Eric & Evelyn Johnson	Mark Tazelaar	Gerrit Zaagman
Gertude Allen Keizer	Peter & Grace Tazelaar	John & Evelyn Zeilstra
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**Worship Leader:** Kristen Voss

## Office Hours

**Monday - Thursday:** 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

**Friday:** 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM