

Joshua 5:13-15
The Posture of Faithful Leaders

Main Point: Before leading God's people, faithful leaders must bow to Jesus as humble servants.

I. Faithful Leaders Know Who is Really in Command (v. 13-14a)

II. Faithful Leaders Submit to Christ in Humble Worship (v. 14b)

III. Faithful Leaders Follow Christ in Holy Reverence (v. 15)



Faith Reformed
BOLDLY LIVING GOD'S WORD

January 7, 2024

Abbie Heinen

Prelude
Congregational Sharing
*Greeting One Another

APPROACH TO GOD

From Ps. 95, Eph. 2

*Call to Worship
*Song of Praise
Rejoice
*Prayer of Praise
*Song of Praise
Holy, Holy, Holy

RENEWAL IN CHRIST

Confession of Sin
Assurance of Forgiveness
Song of Assurance
Jerusalem

Romans 5:6-8

THE WORD OF GOD

The Children's Message
(Children's Church)
Scripture Reading
Sermon

Joshua 5:13-15
"The Posture of Faithful Leaders"

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RESPONSE TO GOD

Ordination/Installation of Officers
Offertory Prayer
Song of Response
*Affirmation of Faith
Congregational Prayer
*Benediction
*Doxology
*Postlude

The Church's One Foundation
Apostles' Creed

Hymn #131

Mary Holle

*Congregation standing if able

FAITH REFORMED CHURCH

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Today's Ordination & Installation Service

Today we have the privilege of ordaining and installing new elders and deacons. Below you will find the questions and the order of that portion of the service.

Questions to Officers

1. Do you believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, as originally given, to be the inerrant Word of God, the only infallible rule of faith and practice?
2. Do you sincerely receive and adopt the Confession of Faith and the Catechisms of this Church, as containing the system of doctrine taught in the Holy Scriptures; and do you further promise that if at any time you find yourself out of accord with any of the fundamentals of this system of doctrine, you will, on your own initiative, make known to your Session the change which has taken place in your views since the assumption of this ordination vow?
3. Do you approve of the form of government and discipline of the Presbyterian Church in America, in conformity with the general principles of biblical polity?
4. Do you accept the office of ruling elder (or deacon, as the case may be) in this church, and promise faithfully to perform all the duties thereof, and to endeavor by the grace of God to adorn the profession of the Gospel in your life, and to set a worthy example before the Church of which God has made you an officer?
5. Do you promise subjection to your brethren in the Lord?
6. Do you promise to strive for the purity, peace, unity and edification of the Church?

Questions to the Church

1. Do you, the members of this church, acknowledge and receive these brothers as ruling elders and deacons, and do you promise to yield them all that honor, encouragement and obedience in the Lord to which their office, according to the Word of God and the Constitution of this Church, entitles them?

If you wish to reach Pastor Zach, you may dial the church office or reach him by cell phone at 920-212-5489. His office hours are Tuesday-Friday 9:30-5:30. If you are unable to reach Pastor Zach you may contact the Elder on call. The Elder on Call for January is Carl Velzke (920-917-0902).

Prayer Guide

Praises and Thanksgivings

Jesus Resurrection
Our living hope in Jesus

Petitions

That our state and nation would value life and protect life in the womb
For people to hear the gospel hope
A heart of submission to Christ
Spiritual wisdom and discernment
Commitment to be reading Scripture
Discipline and courage to obey
To be guided by Scripture, not culture
Courage to stand firm for the gospel
Our ministry in the PCA
Pastor Zach Tarter
Jon Damkot – Youth Director
BJ Hilbelink – Pastoral Assistant
Disciple making at Faith Reformed
Spiritual revival
Our government leaders
Our youth to grow in Christ
Those serving in the military
The unity of Cedar Grove churches
Those with addictions/in jail or prison
Our persecuted brothers & sisters

Health

Glen Ten Dolle – had a defibrillator put in to help with his heart on Dec. 26th.
Norm DeRuyter - the surgery to open up stents went well. Prayer that now the antibiotics will continue to get to the infection in his foot and heal it.
Wayne Navis - is home and is working on regaining strength
Ruth Ann Wieberdink – back has been some better, continue to pray for healing
Donna Caljouw –continued prayers as she continues to get treatment for her cancer
Linda Dykstra – prayers as she learns how to deal with the scarring of her liver.
Rich Dykstra – prayers as he is getting treatment for his prostate cancer
Larry Wieberdink – all restrictions are lifted but stamina is still limited, and he tires easily.
Edie Beernink – prayers as she received a smaller oxygen tank that will allow her to get around easier and prayers as the doctors try to figure out what is causing the problem.
Don Schreurs – moved to Pine Haven Oostburg Campus – room 115 prayers as he continues with therapy

Shut-ins

Neil Bruggink – home and doing well
Delores Droppers
Herb Dirkse – Cedar Grove Gardens, Building 2 – room 10

Mission & Outreach

Frontiers – Jon Wynveen
For our unchurched neighbors

Schedule

TODAY

Worship Service – 9:00am

Sunday School – 10:30am

Monday – 6:30pm Women's Ministry Team Meeting

Tuesday – 6:30pm Women's Bible Study

-8:15pm Men's Bible Study

Wednesday – 6:00 pm Connect

- 6:30 pm Quest

- 6:30 pm Prayer Group

Thursday – 6:00am Men's Bible Study

-9:30am Women's Bible Study

-4:30-6:00pm Food Pantry

Friday-Sunday – HS Fort Winter Retreat

UPCOMING EVENTS AT FAITH:

January 14 – Communion

February 10 – Women's Conference at Faith

Ushers for January: Eric Meinnert, Jason Hopeman, Jim Wonser

Nursery for January 7: Alison Zimmermann & Brooke Teunissen

Nursery for January 14: Hollie Obbink & Braelyn Meinen

Refreshments for January: Care Group #4 (Bonnie & Margie)

Greeters January 7 – **Narthex:** Ben & Jamie Dolfen Family

- **Great Room:** Craig, Sue & Kyle Droppers

Greeters January 14 - **Narthex:** Ben & Nicole Droppers Family

- **Great Room:** Kayla DuMez

Serving in the Military:

Jackson DeRuyter

*Pray for all our troops serving around the world

Family Life at Faith

The Cedar Grove Area Food Pantry served 34 families at the November Food Pantry. The next Food Pantry will be held on Thursday, January 11th. **Right now, we are low on cereal, canned vegetables & fruits, soup, and paper products.** Please check the expiration dates on your donations! If you could help us serve one month – please contact Faith Reformed Church (920-668-6725). Thank you for your generosity!

For Love INC in January, we will be collecting **Love Buckets:** mop/brooms, buckets, dust pans, all-purpose cleaner, toilet bowl cleaner, toilet bowl brush & caddie, dish detergent, sponges, and paper towels. For questions on your donations, please contact your Love, Inc Representative, Jodi Danforth (920-254-1385). Thank you.

Thank you to all those who have signed up to bring food for the Salvation Army meal the last few months. They have been very appreciative. December is full. However, there is now a **sign-up sheet for January and February** in the information center. If you have any questions, please see Wendy Wonser.

Thanks Faith Family. I have been blessed with prayers, cards, visitors, phone calls, helpers, flowers, angels, and carolers. Thank you. May God bless you all.

Edie Beernink

Thank you so much for thinking of me on my birthday with all the cards that were sent. They were all greatly appreciated.

Neil Bruggink

Today we will have our ordination and installation service of incoming officers. Nate Wieberdink and Dane Van Allen will be ordained as deacons and Andy Brill as an elder, while Steve Rauwerdink will be installed as an elder.

Special Birthdays in January: Shirley Wieberdink will be 89 on January 6th
Edie Beernink will be 89 on January 23rd

Many thanks and appreciation for all the kind wishes and cards I received for my birthday. God is Great, God is Good, All the Time!

Delores Bruggink

Family Life at Faith

Thank you to all the Care Group Leaders this past year for serving your Care Groups so well and taking the time to serve on Sunday mornings. We all appreciate your time and dedication. We will be organizing the Care Groups going into the new year and if you wish to have your name taken off as a Care Group Leader, please let Wendy Wonser know.

New 2024 Telephone Directory: I have put out the telephone directory sheets on the table in the great room for you to look over. Please check your name and details about your address, phone numbers, & email addresses. Write down any changes you have on the sheet. Also, if your birthday or anniversary has not been in the newsletter – I have a sheet for you to write birthdays & anniversaries on – please include the year for our records. The sheets will be available for a couple of weeks until we hopefully have everything corrected. Thanks for your help. Wendy

Get your singing voices ready, you're invited to a hymn sing on Sunday January 14th at 6:00pm at First Reformed Church on Main St Cedar Grove. Come join us for an evening of singing followed by fellowship and refreshments.

Love INC is extremely excited to start the new year refreshed and rejuvenated, and we hope that you are ready to spread the word about Love In the Name of Christ within your churches. As we begin this new year, we want to focus on **LOVE in ACTION** based on Ephesians 4:2, "Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love." There are so many opportunities for you and your church to join the Love INC Movement and put **YOUR** love into action!

Opportunities for church members:

1. **Furniture Ministry**—volunteers to join furniture delivery teams to allow weekly delivery to our neighbors
2. **Connection Center**—volunteers to assist with creating welcome teams for refugee resettlement
3. **New Way**—volunteers to become facilitators and discussion leaders for new and existing classes
4. **Monthly Donor Campaign**—register for monthly giving through our online donation platform or commit to sending monthly check to support our ministries

Go to www.loveincsheboygancounty.org to get more information.

Youth News

CORE (Grades 6-12) - ***Tonight, January 7th*** Core small group Bible studies meet at **Faith Reformed** from **6:00-7:00PM!**

CONNECT (Grades 6-12) - **Wednesday, January 10th** students are invited to Connect with each other and God at **Faith Reformed** from **6:00-7:30PM!** Worship begins at 6:20.

QUEST (Grades 5K-5) - **Wednesday, January 10th** Quest will meet at **Faith Reformed** from **6:30-7:30PM.** Registration and games begin at 6:10.

HS FORT WINTER RETREAT - Please be in prayer for the 41 high schoolers and 7 chaperones that will be headed to Crescent Lake Bible Camp from January 12-14!
