1 Samuel 11–12 Kingdom & Covenant

<u>Main Point</u>: To enjoy the blessing of God's Kingdom of salvation and grace, we must continually renew our commitment to Him as our Covenant King.

I. See the Blessing of a Saving King (11:1-15)



March 10, 2024

Prelude Congregational Sharing *Greeting One Another Abbi Heinen

APPROACH TO GOD

*Call to Worship

From Revelation 15:3-4

*Song of Praise We Will Feast in the House of Zion *Prayer of Praise

RENEWAL IN CHRIST

Confession of Sin Assurance of Forgiveness Micah 7:18-19 *Song of Assurance Jesus Paid It All

THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture Reading1 Samuel 11-12Sermon"Kingdom & Covenant"The Sacrament of Communion

RESPONSE TO GOD

Offertory Prayer Song of Response *Rejoice, the Lord is King* *Affirmation of Faith Heidelberg Catechism Q. 81 Congregational Prayer *Benediction *Doxology *Postlude

Nicole Velzke

Page 275

*Congregation standing if able

- II. Renew Your Commitment to the Covenant King (12:1-25)
 - *Remember Your Unfaithfulness (v. 1-13)*

• Repent in Fear & Trembling (v. 14-19)

• Remain True to the King of Grace (v. 20-25)

FAITH REFORMED CHURCH

Rev. Zach Tarter, Pastor Jon Damkot, Youth Director 243 S 4th St, Cedar Grove, WI 53013 920.668.6725 www.faithreformedchurch.org

Our Worship

As we gather to worship this morning through faith in Christ, we are entering into conversation with God as He speaks in His Word and is with us by the Spirit. Our worship service has an intentional movement that focuses on the Gospel:

- We begin with our **APPROACH TO GOD**, hearing a call to worship from His word and then responding to Him with songs and prayers of praise.
- We then have a time of **RENEWAL IN CHRIST** in which we confess our sins and hear His promise of forgiveness in His word and through song.
- Assured of His grace, we then listen to **THE WORD OF GOD** as it is preached from our passage for that day, and we all receive the sacrament of communion monthly as a "visible word" from God.
- After hearing the Word preached, we end our service with our **RESPONSE TO GOD.** We give offerings, affirm our faith, pray for needs in the congregation and world, and hear a blessing from God before singing a final praise to Him.

Through it all, God intends to bless us and change us by His grace so that we would go into the world to live for His glory. So let us come in humble faith, ready to hear and respond to our God and Savior.

Reflections

"Chapter 12" is gospel, good news, because it affirms God's commitment to renew those who turn to him, recognizing their sin, and who seek to serve him faithfully. What Samuel affirms is that the God of the Bible is a God of beginnings, a God who saves and delights to summon his people to come once more and join with him. There is thus always hope in repentance and faith" (David Firth, *1 & 2 Samuel*, 149).

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 March is Jim Meinen (920-889-3223).

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

Ward Meinen-prayers for healing as he recovers from ankle surgery Shirley Wieberdink – is home after a hip replacement, prayers for continued healing. Norm DeRuyter – continued prayers that the toe continues to heal and will not need surgery and

that his broken arm would heal well. Ruth Ann Wieberdink – back has been some better, continue to pray for healing Donna Caljouw –is home from the hospital, but still very tired. Was taken off her cancer treatment because of the antibiotic she is on. Prayers that her body would heal, and she can start her

- cancer treatment again.
- Edie Beernink had a pacemaker put in– prayers that this would be the answer to her health problems.
- Don Schreurs is at Pine Haven Oostburg Campus, prayers as he has decided to discontinue treatment for his cancer
- Bob Caljouw pray for wisdom for the doctors as they decide what to do for his leaking heart valve and for peace and patience for Bob through the process.
- Sue Droppers had surgery Tuesday morning and is doing well. No signs of cancer are left.

Shut-ins

- Wayne Navis
- Neil Bruggink
- Delores Droppers
- Herb Dirkse Cedar Grove Gardens, Building 2 room 10

Mission & Outreach

All Saints Reformed – Ben Kappers For our unchurched neighbors

Schedule

TODAY

Worship Service – 9:00am Sunday School – 10:30am Core – 6:00pm

Tuesday – 6:30pm Women's Bible Study -8:15pm Men's Bible Study

Wednesday – 6:00pm Connect - 6:30pm Quest - 6:30pm Prayer Group

Thursday – 6:00am Men's Bible Study -9:30am Women's Bible Study -4:30pm Food Pantry

Friday/Saturday – Men's Retreat

UPCOMING EVENTS AT FAITH:

April 7 Lunch & Learn April 9 Blood Bank April 11 Food Pantry April 19 Secret Church

Ushers for March: Ben Droppers, Dane Van Allen, Tyler Wonser

Nursery for March 10: Beth Rauwerdink & Garret Rauwerdink Nursery for March 17: Shelli Obbink & Abbi Heinen

Refreshments for March: Care Group #3 (Mary & Linda)

Greeters March 10	 Narthex: Chris & Sarah Konzak Family
	- Great Room: Aaron & Ashlee Krizek Family
Greeters March 17	– Narthex: Mike & Katie Lubbert Family
	- Great Room: Bruce & Barb Lukens

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 31 families at the February Food Pantry. The next Food Pantry will be held on Thursday, March 14th. **Right now, we are low on_cereal, soup, and paper products (toilet paper, Kleenex & paper towels).** 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 March, we will be collecting **Starter Kitchen Kits:** Pots, Pans, Cookie Sheets, Bakeware, Silverware, Cups, Mugs, Mixing bowls & Cooking Utensils. Gently used items accepted. For questions on your donations, please contact your Love, Inc Representative, Jodi Danforth (920-254-1385). Thank you.

Seniors, save the date - The Care Connection will be hosting a Senior Luncheon here at Faith Church on Wednesday, May 1st. More information and sign-up sheet to come in the coming weeks.

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. There is now a sign-up sheet for March and April in the information center. **March is full but there are still a few spots left for April.** If you have any questions, please see Wendy Wonser.

Special Birthday in March: Herb Dirkse will turn 89 on March 18th. Feel free to send a card to wish him a happy birthday and let him know you are thinking of him.

Palm Sunday (March 24) – Children from 3 years old through 2nd grade will open our worship service by bringing in Palm Branches. Please meet in the great room before the morning service to get your palm branches.

Family Life at Faith

Youth News

We will have another Inquirer's class from 9-1 on Saturday, March 23rd, in the church library. Sign-up in the information center. This is for anyone interested in joining the church, or who have grown up in the church but have yet to make a public profession of faith in Christ.

CORE (Grades 6-12) - <u>Tonight</u>, March 10th Core small group Bible studies meet at Faith Reformed from 6:00-7:00PM!

CONNECT (Grades 6-12) - Wednesday, March 13th 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, March 13th** Quest will meet at **Faith Reformed** from **6:30-7:30PM**. Registration and games begin at 6:10.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE Life Not Death - Light Not Darkness

Join us in peaceful, prayerful vigil to pray for an end to abortion. Stand up and speak up for the vulnerable unborn babies, who only need the safety of their mothers' wombs to grow and be given a chance at life and to experience God's love. Pray for God's forgiveness, mercy, and healing for the atrocity of abortion in our time. Don't be silent—Life is not disposable.

> February 14 - March 24 Prayer & Fasting Constant Vigil Community Outreach

Sign up for vigil hours 7 AM-7PM outside Planned Parenthood,909 S. Taylor Dr. Sheboygan:

www.40daysforlife.com/sheboygan

or contact Germaine 920-918-2310 or Michele 872-233-9305