Boasting in the Lord 2 Corinthians 12:1-10

	Refrain from	boasting i	in ourselves	(2 Cor. 12	2:1-6)
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II. Instead boast in the Lord even in our weakness (2 Cor. 12:7-10)



April 28, 2024

Prelude Youth Band

Congregational Sharing

Compassion Highlight Jamison Velzke

*Greeting One Another

APPROACH TO GOD

*Call to Worship Elise Brill

*Song of Praise

A Mighty Fortress is Our God

*Prayer of Praise Owen Morgan

*Song of Praise

You've Already Won

RENEWAL IN CHRIST

Confession of Sin Asa Diener

Assurance of Forgiveness Psalm 103:8-12

*Song of Assurance

Christ is Mine Forevermore

THE WORD OF GOD

Memory Work (5th & 6th Grade)

Children's Message Chloe Burns & Claire Dolfin

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"Boasting in the Lord" Sermon

RESPONSE TO GOD

Offertory Prayer Caleb Heinen

Song of Response In Christ Alone

Heidelberg Catechism Q #1 *Affirmation of Faith Jude Ackeret

Congregational Prayer

*Benediction

*Doxology

*Postlude Jamison Velzke

^{*}Congregation standing if able

FAITH REFORMED CHURCH

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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

"The thorn kept [Paul] humble even when reaching great results in his ministry of the gospel. Thus, Christ answered Paul's prayers not by taking away the "thorn", but by giving him "sufficient" grace: enough strength to continue serving Christ among many hardships (v. 10). Paul accepted this weakness because Christ worked mightily through this weakness" (Peter Balla).

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 April is Steve Rauwerdink (920-946-3896). Elder on call for May is Jon Sass (920-980-0223)

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

Norm DeRuyter – praise that the toe is healing well and prayers for continued healing Donna Caljouw –was put back on her oral medication for her cancer Don Schreurs – is at Pine Haven Oostburg Campus, prayers as he has decided to discontinue treatment for his cancer

David Carlton – had a pacemaker put in, prayers that it would be effective Wesley Weavers – has surgery this Monday to remove a brain tumor`````

Shut-ins

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

Mission & Outreach

Frontiers – Jon Wynveen Great Marriages For our unchurched neighbors

Schedule

TODAY

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

Monday – 6:00pm Care Group Leader Meeting -6:30pm Praise Team Practice

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

Wednesday – 11:30am Senior Luncheon -7:45pm Men's Bible Study

Thursday – 6:00am Men's Bible Study -1:00pm Women's Bible Study

Saturday – 10:00am – 2:00pm HS Brat Fry Fundraiser at Calvary

UPCOMING EVENTS AT FAITH:

May 5 Lunch & Learn
May 9 Food Pantry
May 19 Baccalaureate
May 22 Confection Connection

Ushers for April 28: Jack Meinen, Wylan Reichle, Wyatt Dolfin **Ushers for May:** Jim Meinen, Rich Navis, Steve Rauwerdink

Nursery for April 28: Emily Van Allen, Caleb Eberspacher & Amelia Velzke **Nursery for May 5:** Jodi Danforth, Carissa Konzak & Caleb Heinen

Refreshments for April: Care Group #2 (Jane & Lynn)
Refreshments for May: Care Group #5 (Mary Ann & Shirley)

Greeters April 28 – Narthex: Amara Beernink & Sydnee Kruth

- Great Room: Owen Morgan, Jude Ackeret & Sam
Rauwerdink

Greeters May 5 - Narthex: Eric & Anna Meinnert Family

- Great Room: Andy & Kari Meinen

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 25 families at the April Food Pantry. The next Food Pantry will be held on Thursday, May 9th. Right now, we are low on_cereal, peanut butter, pasta sauce & 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 May, we will be collecting Love Buckets: mops, brooms, dustpans, all-purpose cleaner, toilet bowl cleaner, toilet bowl brush & caddie, dish detergent, sponges, paper towels. For questions on your donations, please contact your Love, Inc Representative, Jodi Danforth (920-254-1385). Thank you.

Special birthdays in May: Audrey Voskuil will turn 90 on May 6

Mary Rauwerdink will turn 80 on May 17

Thank you to all those who have signed up to bring food for the Salvation Army meal. This has been a great blessing for them and the people who receive it. There is now a **sign-up sheet for May & June** in the information center. Please prayerfully consider helping with this cause. If you have any questions, please see Wendy Wonser.

Men's Softball - The 2024 season begins Monday, May 6th and runs through mid-August! Games are played every Monday night in Belgium and Grafton. Check out odbcport.org/softball for more information on the league we are a part of and watch future bulletins for game times and locations. Contact Carl Velzke (920-917-0902 or carl.velzke@gmail.com) with any questions or to join the team!

Ladies of Faith will meet Tuesday, May 7 at 1:30pm. We will do Bible Study lesson #4 led by Edie Beernink. Hostesses are Edie Beernink & Mary Ann DeHaai. You can pick up a copy of the Secretary and Treasurer reports in the information center.

Please be in prayer for Wesley Weavers. He is the son of Tyler & Kayla Weavers and the grandson of Patti & Carl Claerbout. He is 18 months old and was found to have a brain tumor. He will be having surgery this Monday, April 29th.

Congratulations to TJ and Alyssa Obbink on the birth of their twins, Olivia Mae and Ava Grace who were born Thursday afternoon.

Family Life at Faith

All information for the May Newsletter is due TODAY!

The women of Faith are invited to the 2nd Annual Confection Connection Baking Night! Join us for an evening of baking, recipe-sharing, and fellowship on Wednesday, May 22nd at 6:30 pm in the great room. We're also looking for 4-5 women to showcase their favorite recipes during the event. If you have a signature treat that you'd love to share, please let Emily Tarter or Emily Van Allen know. We are looking forward to a sweet night of fellowship and growing in Christ together!

Seniors - The Care Connection will be hosting a Senior Luncheon here at Faith Church this Wednesday, May $\mathbf{1}^{\text{st}}$ at noon. We will start serving punch at 11:30am. The guest speaker will be Hubert Nett and he will be talking about the books that he has written. Please feel free to bring a guest. If you are housebound and would like a meal delivered to you, we will gladly do that, after the presentation that afternoon. Just let Wendy know in the office.

Dr. Walt Kaiser has blessed us with resources on 1 Samuel. Those resources are on the table in the narthex. Please feel free to take one.

The Pine Haven Men's Chorus invites you to their final concert of the 2024 season, SING PRAISE CONCERT, on Sunday, May 5, 2024, at 6:00 p.m., at First Reformed Church in Oostburg. We have some very talented musicians joining the chorus for an evening of Praise and Worship. Please join us in helping to support Pine Haven Christian Communities.

Conference on Wisconsin Presbyterianism: On Friday, May 3 from 7:00-8:00 and Saturday, May 4, from 8:30-11:30, there will be a free conference at Calvary OPC on the beginnings of Presbyterianism in Wisconsin. The speaker is Rev. Brian DeJong, the pastor at Grace OPC in Sheboygan, and Executive Director of the Arthur Perkins Study Center for Midwestern Presbyterianism. The last session from 10:30-11:30 will specifically address how Pieter Zonne is the founder of Dutch Presbyterianism.

Join with us at First Reformed Church, 237 Main Street in Cedar Grove, for our "Celebration Service" on the evening of Sunday, May 5th. We will start with a light meal at 5:00pm followed by a time of "Celebration" music and praise at 6:00pm. Looking forward to seeing you there.

Youth News

CORE (Grades 6-12) - *Tonight*, April 28th Core small group Bible studies meet at Faith Reformed from 6:00-7:00PM!

Brat Fry - This **Saturday, May 4th** from **10:00-2:00**, come join the youth group at **Calvary OPC** for a brat or a burger during the community-wide rummage sale! All proceeds go towards the Baltimore mission trip.

Envelope Drive - If you picked up an envelope to donate ingredients for the brat fry, remember to place it in the offering by **Sunday, May 5th**. Thanks for your support of the youth!

Mother's Day Pies - If you'd like to purchase a pie for Mother's Day, you can place your order on the form by the mailboxes or at the link below by **Sunday, May 5th**. You can choose to pick your pie up after the service on Sunday, May 12th, or on Saturday, May 11th between 4:00-5:00. Proceeds support middle schoolers who plan to attend our weekend

retreats! Link: https://faithcedargrove.breezechms.com/form/Pies24

Mother's Day Pie Workers - If you're currently in grades 5-8 and would like to earn money towards attending our annual weekend retreats, you can sign up to make pies from **1:00-4:00PM** on **Saturday, May 11th** by signing up by the mailboxes or texting Jon and letting him know you'll be there!

Camp Calvin - Youth currently in grades 3-8 are invited to Camp Calvin from June 16-21! Registration is open at www.campcalvin.com. Faith Reformed is offering half-off to children of members/adherents; to take advantage of the discount, select the "half payment" option when you register before May 1st, and text Jon and let him know that you're signed up!

Memory Work Recitation Schedule:

5th Grade - 2 Corinthians 12:9-10 (April 28)

6th Grade - Psalm 23 (April 28)

7th Grade - Colossians 3:1-4 (May 5)

8th Grade - Colossians 3:12-17 (May 5)

9th/10th Grade - Heidelberg Q&A #1 (May 19)

11th/12th Grade - Ephesians 2:1-10 (May 19)