

1 Samuel 18–19  
“Embrace the True King”



May 5, 2024

**Main Point:** Because God sovereignly raises up a King for us, we must receive Him in covenant love rather than reject Him in self-centered pride.

**I. The Selfless Reception of God’s King (17:55-18:5)**

Prelude  
Congregational Sharing  
\*Greeting One Another

Jan Jerabek & Mary Holle

**APPROACH TO GOD**

\*Call to Worship  
\*Song of Praise  
*All My Ways*  
\*Prayer of Praise  
\*Song of Praise  
*Come Thou Fount*

From Psalm 59

**II. The Selfish Rejection of God’s King (18:6-30)**

**RENEWAL IN CHRIST**

Confession of Sin  
Assurance of Forgiveness  
\*Song of Assurance  
*I Will Wait for You*

Col. 2:13-14

**THE WORD OF GOD**

Memory Work (7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade)  
Children’s Message  
(Children’s Church – for 3–5-year-olds)  
Sermon Text  
Sermon

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**III. The Sovereign Protection of God’s King (19:1-24)**

**RESPONSE TO GOD**

Offertory Prayer  
Song of Response  
\*Affirmation of Faith  
Congregational Prayer  
\*Benediction  
\*Doxology  
\*Postlude

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

WSC Q. 31

Hymn #224

Jan Jerabek & Mary Holle

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\*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 offer of his royal clothing and weaponry is the first sign that Jonathan is deferring to David not just as the true crown prince, but the legitimate king of Israel” (Mark Boda, After God’s Own Heart, 124).*

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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. 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 – surgery to remove a brain tumor went well, pray for a quick recovery and healing

### **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  
Lunch & Learn – 11:30am  
Core “Free Week”

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

Tuesday – 1:30pm Ladies of Faith  
-8:15pm Men’s Bible Study

Wednesday – 6:30pm Women’s Bible Study

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

### UPCOMING EVENTS AT FAITH:

May 19 Baccalaureate  
May 22 Confection Connection

**Ushers for May:** Jim Meinen, Rich Navis, Steve Rauwerdink

**Nursery for May 5:** Jodi Danforth, Carissa Konzak & Caleb Heinen

**Nursery for May 12:** Kris Kettenhoven, Ben Torrenge & Brooke Teunissen

**Refreshments for May:** Care Group #5 (Mary Ann & Shirley)

**Greeters May 5**  
- **Narthex:** John & Julie Newton Family  
- **Great Room:** Jim, Shelli & Brittany Obbink

**Greeters May 12**  
- **Narthex:** Dave & Cindy Obbink  
- **Great Room:** Justin & Hollie Obbink Family

### **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 9<sup>th</sup>. **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 Wonsler.

**Men's Softball** - Our team will begin the 2024 season with a match-up against Open Door Grey in Belgium on Monday at 8:30 PM. The complete schedule and rainout updates can be found on [odbcport.org/softball](http://odbcport.org/softball). Anyone still interested in joining the team can contact Carl Velzke at 920-917-0902. Good luck guys!

**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.

**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!

## Family Life at Faith

The **May Newsletter** was sent out on Tuesday. However, if you prefer a paper copy, you can pick one up in the information center.

**Dr. Walt Kaiser** has blessed us with resources on 1 Samuel. Those resources are in the information center. 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, TONIGHT**, 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.

**Congratulations** to Matt & Lillie Dirkse on the birth of their daughter, Teagan Eloise, born Tuesday, April 30<sup>th</sup>.

**Our Sympathy** goes out to the Family of Jeff and Katy Heinen on the passing of his sister-in-law Qwen. Please be in prayer for Jeff's brother Mike and his 3 young boys.

Dear friends in Christ,

Our warmest greetings to you from Waxhaw, North Carolina, where we are blessed to be serving and partnering with you in the ministry of JAARS. Many of the world's remaining unengaged language groups are located in the remotest rainforest climates where JAARS is uniquely prepared to go. JAARS covers the "last mile of missions", using special-purpose aircraft, boats, and off-road vehicles so that unreached people can experience God's Word and His love.

-Pray the Lord will provide JAARS with needed pilots and aviation mechanics  
-We thank the Lord for your faithful partnership with us and grateful for your continued prayers and financial support.

*Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Ephesians 3:20*

Love in Christ,  
Todd and Darlene

## Youth News

**CORE** (Grades 6-12) - **Tonight, May 5th** each Core small group has a special event planned to close the year! Contact Jon or your group leader if you have any questions about what your group is doing.

**Brat Fry - Thank you** to all who supported the brat fry by joining us for a brat or burger, donating food, or serving at the fundraiser!

**Envelope Drive** - If you picked up an envelope to donate ingredients for the brat fry, remember to place it in the offering as soon as possible.

**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 **today, 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!

### **Memory Work Recitation Schedule:**

**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)

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**THANK YOU** to all those who donated baked goods, came to pick up lunch and those who worked, to support Love INC. for the Oostburg/Cedar Grove churches. We were truly blessed with the donation amount of \$3500. We were grateful for the sunshine this year.

**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.