



# FAITH MATTERS

April 14, 2019

Weekly Newsletter for Faith Covenant Church of Manistee, Michigan

## PALM SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude

\*Opening Song

Praise Team

Choir Anthem: *Jesus the King*

Welcome & Announcements

Pastor Kris Johns

\*Greetings

\*Praise Songs

Giving Back to God

Pastor Kris Johns

Video: "For Our Church, 4 His Work"

Choir Anthem: *Worthy is the Lamb*

\*Hymn #608: *God of Grace and God of Glory*

Scripture: **2 Corinthians 3:16-18, 4:16-18**

Children's Moment

Brooke Lee

Sermon: ***The Power and the Glory***

Pastor Herb Frost

\*Hymn #228: *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna*

Sending Out

Pastor Herb Frost

Postlude

\*Please stand as you are able.  
Hearing assistance devices are available at the A/V Booth.  
Nursery care for babies thru age 3 is provided.

## SERMON NOTES

*Experiencing God - The Road Map of the Lord's Prayer -  
The Power and the Glory  
2 Corinthians 3:16-18, 4:16-18*

"Weight" of glory –

The earth's telescopes long to see what is  
\_\_\_\_\_ – so should we.

What is glory?

Defining the glory of God is impossible, because it is  
more like the word \_\_\_\_\_ than the word goatee.

Beauty is a \_\_\_\_\_ that gives pleasure to  
the mind or the spirit.

This is the realm where we begin to understand  
\_\_\_\_\_ – it is not that our senses are bad, it is  
that they are \_\_\_\_\_ --.

Isaiah 6:3 – \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, the  
whole earth is full of his glory

Psalms 19:1 and 2 Corinthians 4:4-6 –  
the god of this world has blinded the eyes of  
\_\_\_\_\_ –

deliver us from the \_\_\_\_\_ one! Open our eyes that  
we might see the glory of God that is all around us,

Sermon Notes, continued...

calling out to be \_\_\_\_\_,  
\_\_\_\_\_, felt, overflowing.

The glory of \_\_\_\_\_ is the glory of God.  
he glory of Jesus was fully and finally  
revealed in the events of \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ - John 13:31

John 17:1-5 - the glory of God is expressed  
in \_\_\_\_\_ and in relationship.

John 7:37-39 - The glory of the King is the  
\_\_\_\_\_ of the indwelling,  
overflowing, life of the Spirit in us.

John 12:23-32 - The glory of the King is  
surprisingly seen in self- \_\_\_\_\_  
rather than in grasping " \_\_\_\_\_  
over"

Experiencing glory and power

God's glory is a \_\_\_\_\_ glory  
- 2 Corinthians 3:16-18

God's glory is an \_\_\_\_\_  
glory - 2 Corinthians 4:16-18

God's glory is experienced even, and  
especially in times of hardship and loss.

2 Corinthians 12:1-9

God's glory is more than this human frame  
can fully bear – so when this human frame is

\_\_\_\_\_ we can see God's  
glory more safely -

Colossians 1:9

Endurance and patience and joyful thanks as  
we go \_\_\_\_\_ the  
circumstances God has ordained for us.

Why do I tell you all this?

The kingdom is an upside down kingdom.

The way up (to life, beauty, power and  
strength) is the way down (choosing

\_\_\_\_\_ to self, the  
indispensable beauty of

\_\_\_\_\_, and strength found  
only when we are at the end of our own.)

This way down leads up to the one who is  
lifted up, drawing us to

\_\_\_\_\_.  
The glory of Jesus Christ brings life and  
beauty and power and strength to his people.

Is there anyone here who desires, life,  
beauty, power or strength?

Walk in His Light.

## YOUNG ADULTS

Tuesday, April 23rd, 7:30pm

Meet at North Channel for small group...invite a friend!  
Our discussion question will be, "We are on a journey to know God, but what does it mean to be known by God?"  
Remaining dates for YA: May 7th & 14th.

## CONGREGATIONAL CONVERSATION

Sunday, April 28th, immediately following the worship service in the Multi-Purpose Room, we will have a quarterly meeting of our church family to which everyone is invited and encouraged to attend. The purpose is to have clear communication and understanding of the opportunities we have as a church family in fulfilling our mission to Know Christ, Grow in Him, and to the world with His message. As there is no established agenda for these meetings, we would like to make it possible for all voices to be heard and for the meeting to be run efficiently and well. For that purpose, we are requesting that everyone who has a question or something they would like to be addressed, submit these in writing to the church office by next Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup>. In this manner, we can cooperatively assure that everything will be addressed in the best possible manner. Please find Congregational Conversation forms on the last page of this newsletter & the Welcome Center. Place filled out forms in the mailbox by the office or in the offering plate. We look forward to hearing from you!

## RECOMMENDATIONS NEEDED FOR THE MUTUAL MINISTRY TEAM'S CONGREGATIONAL MEMBER

The Mutual Ministry Team works toward a vital, healthy, mutually beneficial relationship between the congregation and the pastors & ministry staff. The Mutual Ministry team is made up of two members of the Leadership Team selected by the Leadership Team, one of whom will be appointed to chair this team, and two congregational Members elected by the church Members at a congregational meeting who will serve a three year term. The congregational meeting for the purpose of this vote will be held on Sunday, **May 5, 2019**.

The Nominating Team is now requesting recommendations for candidates for this open seat on the Mutual Ministries Team. If you know a Member that you would like to recommend, please have a conversation with that person to ensure he/she wants to be recommended. You may recommend yourself if you are Member and desire to serve on this team.

Recommendations can be submitted to the Nominating Team using the Recommendations Cards that are available in the black folders located in the backs of the sanctuary chairs or using the back page of this week's Faith Matters Weekly. The deadline to submit recommendations is **tomorrow, April 15, 2019**. Please either place the cards & sheets in the offering plate as is it passed today, drop it into the office mailbox located on the wall just outside the office door today, or bring it into the office tomorrow.

## THIS WEEK'S MINISTRIES CALENDAR

### SUNDAY, April 14 - *Palm Sunday*

7:30am: Praise Band Rehearsal  
9:15am: Fellowship & Coffee Time  
9:30am: Christian Formation Classes  
10:30am: Worship Service  
12:00pm: MOPS' Soups & Sweets Luncheon  
6:30pm: Youth Group

### MONDAY, April 15

No ministries scheduled.

### TUESDAY, April 16

No ministries scheduled.

### WEDNESDAY, April 17

9:00am: Men's Breakfast at the Bungalow Inn  
9:00am: Women's Bible Study Fellowship (Room 1)  
12:00pm: Women's Bible Study Fellowship (Room 1)  
1:00pm: Staff Meeting (Library)  
3:00pm: The Team (MP Room)  
5:30pm: Youth Ensemble Rehearsal (Choir Room)  
6:30pm: Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)  
7:00pm: Men's Basketball Night (MP Room)  
7:00pm: All-Church Bible Study (Sanctuary)

### THURSDAY, April 18

9:00am: MOPS  
12:00pm: Faith Matters Weekly Deadline  
7:00pm: Maundy Thursday Communion Service

### FRIDAY, April 19 - *Good Friday*

12:00pm: Good Friday Service (Manistee United Methodist)

### SATURDAY, April 20

9:30am: Men's Bible Study at Riemer Eye Center

### SUNDAY, April 21 - *Easter Sunday*

7:30am: Praise Band Rehearsal  
9:45am: Special Fellowship & Coffee Time  
10:30am: Worship Service

### Upcoming Calendar Items:

04.28.19: Quarterly Congregational Conversation  
05.04.19: MOPS Mom-2-Mom Sale  
05.05.19: Membership Vote - Mutual Ministries Member

### EASTER SUNDAY MORNING:

9:45-10:30am: Special Coffee & Fellowship Time  
10:30am: Worship Service & kids' "Meet with God"

### TODAY: MOPS & MOMSNEXT PRESENTS THEIR ANNUAL SOUP & SWEETS LUNCHEON

Enjoy a home-cooked meal that YOU don't have to cook! We will have a variety of homemade soups to pick from, breads, salad, and favorite desserts to finish off the meal. Join us today 12:00 - 2:00pm in the multi-purpose room. Donations suggested to benefit Manistee MOPS & MOMSNext: \$4 per person or \$12 per family.

### YOUTH GROUPS

#### The Team (5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grades)

Wednesday, 3:00-5:00pm  
(Root Beer Float Day: Tuesday, May 14<sup>th</sup>)

#### Youth Group (Middle & High School grades)

Sunday, 6:30-8:30pm

### CHURCH BUS DRIVERS NEEDED

We currently have one bus driver and would like more to have a rotating schedule. If you have a CDL-P license, or are willing to get one, and would like to help in this ministry, please contact Denis Johnson: 231.723.3464 or drjohnson464@sbcglobal.net.

### ATTENTION BAKERS AND NON-BAKERS!

Thank you to everyone who has been bringing in freezable baked items for coffee hour! We realize that not everyone enjoys baking or has the time. We have placed a donation jar near the coffee. If you feel led, please consider donating monetarily and our Fellowship Team will use these funds to help purchase coffee hour snack.

### RIGHT TO LIFE'S 2019 ANNUAL BENEFIT DINNER

Monday, April 29<sup>th</sup> at St. Joseph Parish Hall, 249 Sixth Street, Manistee. Doors open at 6:00pm. Dinner & program begins at 6:30pm. Special guest speaker: Genevieve Marnon, Legislative Director for Right to Life of MI. For questions & more information, contact:

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### A RADICAL NEW APPROACH TO ACCOUNTABILITY

The way we interact with each other is changing. We live on our phones. We connect to the world through our screens. Sometimes we even have three screens up at once: we stare at our phones with our laptops on our laps in front of the TV. With the invention of the Internet, back alley issues and photographs became easily accessible by anyone with a computer, smartphone, or tablet.

### What you do on-line impacts your life off-line!

Access to these websites and pictures can rewire your brain, affecting your ability to think logically and weigh consequences and situations clearly, eroding your moral compass. Our spiritual lives, our marriages, jobs, families, churches, and communities have all been negatively affected by online viewing habits.

God has provided hope, and a way out. For men and women with unhealthy viewing habits and children who are only one click away from losing their innocence, "Covenant Eyes" can help.

Covenant Eyes is a service provider for screen accountability and filtering with a web site devoted to providing resources, services, blogs, and support. Covenant Eyes' revolutionary new Screen Accountability™ service monitors what you do on your computers, phones, and tablets, whether you're using a web browser, on an app, or even offline completely. Taking periodic screenshots and analyzing them for explicit content, these highly blurred screenshots are sent to your Accountability Partner, as well as a sampling of other screenshots. That way you can have a conversation about what you actually saw on your devices. Find out more about how you can have help and hope with online viewing by visiting [www.covenanteyes.com](http://www.covenanteyes.com). Brains can be rewired and you can be transformed by the renewing of your mind!

### Keep in Your Prayers:

Sheryl Zimmerman

Benny Croissant

Tom Richert

Doug Hanna

Chuck May



Garrett Wirth

Paula Frost

Carol Zink

Hank & Edie Minster

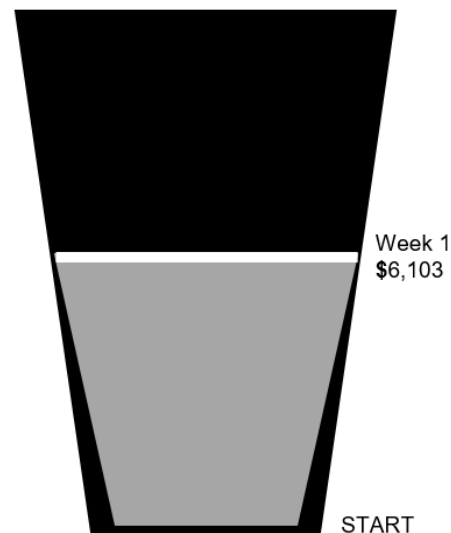
### 4 OUR CHURCH, 4 HIS WORK

This is an opportunity to help make the burden light as we work together 4 the needs of our church and 4 the Lord who loves us! Faith Covenant Church was able to continue to provide community services to Safe Harbor clients & Clothing Pantry visitors, as well as spiritual growth opportunities through programs 4 children, youth and adults, and Christ centered counselling 4 families and individuals, despite the difficulties of winter. Each snow fall required extensive plowing and salting of the parking lot and each cold snap hit the heating budget hard. We are confident that, as we work together 4 our church, the Lord will bless and we will replenish our operating budget through this giving campaign. 4 the month of April, we ask that you prayerfully consider adding either 4%, \$40.00 or \$400.00 to your current giving, either as a one time gift or weekly. The yellow pledge cards can be found in the sanctuary seat backs, on the church website, and in the church office. Please commit to participate with us by turning in your completed card. During this 4th month of 2019, we will work together, and rejoice that we can give something back to our Savior who gave us more than we can comprehend, and we will do it 4 our church, and 4 His work!

### APRIL PLEDGE GIVING

#### "4 Our Church, 4 His Work"

April Pledge Goal : \$10K



\$1,720 was pledged prior to START!  
\$4,383 was pledged Sunday, April 7!

Thank you Lord Jesus!  
Thank you Church Family!

SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEERS								
Sunday	Ushers	Greeters	Nursery	Scriptures	Coffee Host	Stewards	Audio	Video
<b>April 14</b>	Ruth Minster John Wagner Joyce Reed	Bev Johnston Mimi Stansell	Rachel Nelson Lauren Mendians Kristen Nesburg Trevor Johns	Randy Tomaszewski	Jeanne Youngberg Mert Youngberg	Pat Krolczyk Mike Munsell Barry Peterson	Tom Richert	Annette Phelps
<b>April 21</b>	Ruth Minster Dave Wagner Doug Malm Craig Smith	Mark Miller Connie Miller	Annie Johns Pam Rankin Heather Barker	Elizabeth Mellott	Pam Carlson	Mike Munsell Barry Peterson Ruth Minster	Abby Poirier	Esther Poirier

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*We exist to help people KNOW Christ, GROW in Him, and GO to the world with His message.*

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## FCC'S NOMINATING TEAM REQUESTS RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CANDIDATES FOR ONE (1) OPEN SEAT ON THE MUTUAL MINISTRY TEAM.

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**Name of Member being Recommended:** \_\_\_\_\_

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### CONGREGATIONAL CONVERSATION - APRIL 28, 2019

My Name (Anonymous forms cannot be addressed): \_\_\_\_\_

My Question: \_\_\_\_\_

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