



FAITH MATTERS

January 13, 2019

Weekly Newsletter for Faith Covenant Church of Manistee, Michigan

WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude

*Hymn #11: *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

Welcome & Announcements

Pastor Kris Johns

*Greetings

*Praise Songs

Praise Team

Giving Back to God

Pastor Paula Frost

Choir Anthem: *The Lord's Prayer*

Scripture: **Luke 9:28-36**

Kathryn Stansell

*Hymn # 10: *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

Children's Moment

Pastor Paula Frost

Sermon: ***Experiencing God - "Our Father in Heaven"***

Pastor Herb Frost

*Closing Song

Praise Team

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 - "Our Father in Heaven"

Luke 9:28-36

Pastor Herb Frost

Our Father who is _____ and _____
_____ - Or

Our Father _____ us?

Luke 9:23-27 - Life on _____ in _____ of
heaven.

A _____ and _____ God is right
here _____ us.

Genesis 22:11,15

1 John 1:1

Acts 11:5-10

"In heaven" means the actual reality that is
_____ around us but not
_____ to our _____.

Matthew 11:25

1 Peter 3:12 (_____ way _____)

SERMON NOTES CONTINUED...

What has the kingdom of heaven come to make
_____?

Luke 8:26-39

Loss of _____
Social _____
Surrounded by _____
Controlled by _____

Jesus heals.

Loss of _____ (naked and
ranting => _____)
Social _____
(alone => _____ w Jesus'
disciples)
Surrounded by _____
(tombs => _____)
Controlled by _____ (panic
=> _____)
_____ (terror =>
_____)

"Lord, teach us to pray"

Luke 9:28-36

the transformation of his counte-
nance and
invitation to another _____
of real _____ =>

"Lord, teach us to pray."

_____? John 11:41

and 17:1

But the _____ of the
_____ is key.

"Why am I telling you this?"

No matter what happens, _____,
_____, _____ look _____.

Questions for us:

Do we believe he is as _____ as the
air we _____?

Do we believe heaven is for _____?

Do we need the God of heaven at
_____?

Will we live for the dignity, companion-
ship and healing freedom of
_____?

Challenge for us:

Sunday mornings - 90% presence - it is
"_____ Father", not "_____
Father"

_____, _____, _____ look
_____.

SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE

9:15 - 9:30am: Coffee & Fellowship Time

9:30 - 10:15am: Christian Formation Classes

10:30am: Worship Service & Children's "Meet with God"

THIS WEEK'S YOUTH GROUPS SCHEDULES

The Team (5th & 6th grades)

Tuesday, 3:00-5:00pm - Root Beer Floats Day

After-School Hang-Out (6th, 7th, & 8th grades)

Wednesday, 3:00-5:00pm

Middle School Youth Group

Sunday, 3:30-5:00pm

High School Youth Group

Sunday, 6:30-8:30pm

YOUNG ADULTS SMALL GROUP

We will resume our study of Ephesians on Jan. 15th and will continue every other week at 6:30pm.

ALL-CHURCH BIBLE STUDY

Wednesdays at 7:00pm in the Sanctuary.

BIBLE STUDY FELLOWSHIP FOR WOMEN

Wednesdays at 9:00am & 12:00pm through the first week of May, 2019. If you would like to participate, please contact Mary Griffiths.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY GROUP

Saturdays at 9:30am at Riemer Eye Center in Manistee (please come to the back parking lot and enter through the back entrance).

MOPS STEERING COMMITTEE BIBLE STUDY

MOPS moms gather each month for an amazing time of Bible study on Thursday mornings. Contact Pastor Paula Frost or Heather Barker for more information.

FAITH FAMILY FASHIONS CLOTHING PANTRY & ECHO HIS LOVE BOOTS PANTRY

We currently have a great need for WINTER BOOTS for all ages. We thank you for all your support for this ministry as we serve many each week! We are always in need of: boys pants, (size 8), girls & women's leggings, men's & women's jackets, hoodies (all sizes), & men's gloves.

COFFEE MINISTRY

Have you ever thought of serving coffee as a ministry of our church? To many, the rich aroma of coffee presents a warm welcome and causes people to relax as soon as they come through our doors. We want to foster an atmosphere at FCC where relationships are built and we look forward to gathering in conversation with one another. It is easier for us to linger a bit with coffee or tea in hand! We begin serving on Sunday mornings at 9:15am & again at 10:15 for a few minutes after the worship service. There is a need for more help in this ministry of hospitality, so if you are interested in serving our congregation and visitors this way, please call Diane Wood for more information & sign-up opportunities: 231.299.1285.

THIS WEEK'S MINISTRIES CALENDAR

SUNDAY, January 13

7:30am: Praise Band Rehearsal

9:15am: Fellowship & Coffee Time

9:30am: Christian Formation Classes

10:30am: Worship Service

3:30pm: MSYG

6:30pm: HSYG

MONDAY, January 14

6:00pm: Property Stewards Meeting (Room 2)

TUESDAY - January 15

3:00pm: The Team (MP Room)

5:15pm: Just Prayer (Room 6)

7:00pm: Leadership Development Team Meeting

WEDNESDAY, January 16

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 (Room 6)

3:00pm: After-School Hang-Out for 6th-8th Graders

5:30pm: Faith Youth Ensemble Rehearsal (Choir Room)

7:00pm: Men's Basketball Night (MP Room)

7:00pm: All-Church Bible Study (Sanctuary)

THURSDAY, January 17

12:00pm: Faith Matters Weekly info deadline

9:00am: MOPS

7:00pm: Young Families Small Group (Choir Room)

FRIDAY, January 18

No ministries scheduled.

SATURDAY, January 19

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

SUNDAY, January 20

7:30am: Praise Band Rehearsal

9:15am: Fellowship & Coffee Time

9:30am: Christian Formation Classes

10:30am: Worship Service

3:30pm: MSYG

6:30pm: HSYG

UPCOMING EVENTS:

01.27.18: FCC Annual Meeting

02.24.17: MOPS Soups & Sweets

CLOSINGS DUE TO WEATHER CONDITIONS

If the Manistee Area Public Schools close due to weather conditions, the church office will be closed and all church activities cancelled. The closing will be announced with the area's closings through the news stations. The pastors will be reachable via their cell phones and emails. Carolyn Zink will be reachable via the office phone number and email. If you are leading a ministry or have a scheduled event that was scheduled for that day or evening and you still want to meet, you will need to be sure to contact everyone in your group to notify them.

SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEERS								
Sunday	Ushers	Greeters	Nursery	Scriptures	Coffee Host	Stewards	Audio	Video
Jan. 13	Ruth Minster Kevin Hildebrand Dave Wagner John Wagner	Chuck May Nancy May	Kristen Nesburg Maddie Schmutzler Betty England Bev Johnston	Kathryn Stansell	Jeanne Youngberg Mert Youngberg	Denis Johnson James Barker Barry Peterson	Tom Richert	Aurora Johnson
Jan. 20	Ruth Minster Kevin Hildebrand Sheryl Zimmerman Doug Malm	Mark Miller Connie Miller	Jill Johnson Ellen Doefer Erin Pontiac Anderson Johns		Pam Carlson	James Barker Barry Peterson Ruth Minster	Scott McKenney	Kathryn Stansell

LEADERSHIP TEAM MEETING HIGHLIGHTS 01.08.19:

1. Continued discussion regarding the budget for 2019. A quarterly review of the budget is scheduled for the coming year.
2. Ministry in December was exciting with the addition of the Hope of Christmas concert and several additional opportunities to connect with and serve the church and community.
3. The FCC Annual Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, January 27th – called to order 10 minutes after the morning service concludes. There will be coffee and a light snack offered.
4. Property Stewards have been very busy working to replace the broken water heater and the boiler.
5. Goals for the Leadership Team in 2019 were discussed, with a need for creating opportunities for connection among church family.

LIGHTHOUSE PREGNANCY CARE CENTER'S "BABY BOTTLE BLITZ"

LPCC has worked in our community to help teens, youth, women, and families that are facing a crisis pregnancy for the last 14 years. Faith Covenant Church supports LPCC in this front-lines ministry and is now joining with them for this annual fundraiser. Next Sunday, please pick up an empty baby bottle in the church lobby, take it home, and fill it with coins, bills, or checks, over the next few weeks. Please return your baby bottle on Sunday, February 10th. Your donations will be used to provide assistance to the women and unborn in our community.

WHAT DEFINES A GOOD LEADER? COVENANT PASTORS SHARE LESSONS LEARNED FROM THE TRENCHES:

"It is important to develop a culture of trust where giving feedback is done in a spirit of care and unconditional acceptance. I've learned that it is completely okay to say, 'I don't know, let's figure it out together.' Be sure to understand a problem before coming up with solutions."

Dieula Previlon, Carrollton, TX

"To be a good leader is to be a good listener and a lifelong learner."

Debbie Montzingo, Mountlake Terrace, WA

"Learn to lose well. Winning is easy, but losing leadership arguments is a great test of character, and I'm still on the curve."

Don N. Johnson, Black Mountain, NC

"Erwin McManus says, 'Leadership is about creating environments.' I really like that. The environment we create can foster so much good or so much bad. It can allow the people around us to flourish or to fail."

Chad McDaniel, Arvada, CO

"Healthy, trusting relationships are the most important capital a person can have. So invest in those relationships. A corollary is, learn to love everybody, but don't spend too much time chasing after perpetually disgruntled people. From my mistakes I've learned to trust myself more. But I also need good people around me who can speak hard truth when I need to hear it."

Dan Whitmarsh, Lakebay, WA

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