

**September 17, 2017 - 9:00 am Blended Worship**

Prelude: "Who Is On the Lord's Side?"  
"There Is a Name I Love To Hear"

Welcome - Brenda Bulthuis, Little Lambs Volunteer

Choral Introit: "Proclaim the Glory of the Lord"  
"Oh How I Love Jesus"

"He Is Lord"

Responsive Reading from Psalm 95

"To God Be the Glory"

Greetings - Lisa Capozzoli, Director of Care & Community

Prayer

"Ancient Words"  
Message: "Person, Place, or Thing?" - Gregg DeMey, Lead Pastor  
Hebrews 1:1-4, Hebrews 13:20-21

Prayer of Response

Announcements

Offertory: "Be Still and Know That I Am God"  
The offering is for the Elmhurst Ministries Fund

"Jesus Is Lord"

Blessing & Sending

Choir Director - Marve Wolterstorff, Organist - Ticks Groenboom  
Pianist - Judy Doot, Song Leaders - Brenda Bulthuis, Maria Vos  
Violinist - Stefanie Lemkuil

## September 17, 2017 - 10:30 am Contemporary Worship

Prelude: "Revival"

Welcome - Brenda Bulthuis, Little Lambs Volunteer  
"Prepare Ye the Way"

"How Great"

Responsive Reading from Psalm 95

"Our Great God"

Greetings - Lisa Capozzoli, Director of Care & Community

Prayer

"Psalm 139 (You Have Searched Me and Know Me)"

Message: "Person, Place, or Thing?" - Gregg DeMey, Lead Pastor  
Hebrews 1:1-4, Hebrews 13:20-21

Prayer of Response

Announcements

Offertory: "Upon A Life"  
The offering is for the Elmhurst Ministries Fund

"Free In You"

Blessing & Sending

Worship Team - Dave Hendricks, Gregg DeMey, Kyle Olson,  
Bethany Taylor, Tylyn Taylor, James Vlcek

### **THIS WEEK AT ELMHURST CRC**

Although we think of church as the place we go to worship, in fact, the Bible isn't very concerned with the particular "place" where worship happens. The Bible's not even very concerned with the exact "things" that are there. However, the Bible is very clear about the Person(s) whom we worship. As we begin the first of two sermons on Worship in the New Testament, we learn that God is the noun in the worshiper's vocabulary. In particular, New Testament worship spotlights the person of Jesus, his sacrificial death, and his universe-altering resurrection.

### **NEXT WEEK AT ELMHURST CRC**

Next week we'll continue our look at Worship in the New Testament by considering worship as a verb and as something we do both on Sunday mornings and in everyday life. Turns out, what happens during Sunday-morning worship hasn't changed much over the last 2,000 years. The early Christians were a counter-cultural presence who made a difference in their world not only in Sunday morning practices, but in their Monday through Saturday practices. Though American culture and circumstances are vastly different from 2,000 years ago, worshiping in every aspect of life is a spiritual possibility that hasn't changed.

## OUR CHURCH FAMILY

**Join us in praying for each other.** To send your prayer requests or praises to be included in the email prayer chain, or to receive a daily email of these requests, email [prayer@elmhurstcrc.org](mailto:prayer@elmhurstcrc.org) or call the church office at 630-600-5100. **If you would like your prayer request included in the weekly announcements in the worship folder please email Lisa Capozzoli, Director of Care and Community, [lisa.capozzoli@elmhurstcrc.org](mailto:lisa.capozzoli@elmhurstcrc.org).**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Special Offerings** will be taken during Elmhurst CRC's worship services throughout the next month in order to assist with **relief work in the aftermath of Hurricane Harvey**. The Deacons have approved directing our financial support toward the work of World Renew, an organization born from within the Christian Reformed Church, which specializes in disaster relief and community development work. You are encouraged to use the envelopes provided inside the worship folder to appropriately direct your special gifts and offerings.

**Parents of College Students and Military Personnel:** ECRC has the privilege to "get to" supply our college students and military personnel with goodie boxes twice a year, prior to the traditional exam times. To sign your child up for a goodie box, please stop at the Information Center and complete a form located in the white binder titled College Exam Boxes. Questions? Contact Kathy Feringa at 630-728-3368 (mobile) or via email at [Kathy.feringa@alloyacorp.org](mailto:Kathy.feringa@alloyacorp.org).

**Handbell Choir is open to new members!** If you would like to be part of a group that enjoys making music and serving in worship, please email Mary Reitsma at [dmajreitsma@att.net](mailto:dmajreitsma@att.net) or leave a message at 847-776-6428. We welcome newcomers as well as experienced handbell players. Rehearsals begin in early October!

**Single Mothers Support Group (SHE)** has its kick off event today from 12:15-2:30 pm in the Garden Room. Mothers and their children are invited to a luncheon, and at 1:00 pm the children will be dismissed to age-appropriate activities.

The leaders of **MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers)** would like to invite anyone to join them this year if they find a particular speaker or topic interesting. You don't need to be a MOPS member or a mother of a preschooler to sit in on a meeting, so join us if you can! This Tuesday at 9 am Judy Groters is speaking on "Permission" and the subject is applicable to parents of all ages. Contact Jill Tigchelaar ([jilltigs@gmail.com](mailto:jilltigs@gmail.com)) or Carrie Rudman ([crudman@mac.com](mailto:crudman@mac.com)) with questions.

**Celebrate Christian Education and Support Youth Mission Trips: ECRC and Timothy Christian Schools are hosting an afternoon Celebrating Christian Education.** The event will be held October 8 at 4 pm in Timothy's new Middle School Building (188 W. Butterfield Road, Elmhurst). A free-will offering dinner to benefit upcoming youth mission trips and informal tours will be held following the program. Rev. Tim Blackmon, Wheaton College's Chaplain who is ordained in the Christian Reformed Church, will address "The Value of Christian Education" and the benefits of an education that connects the mind, soul and heart. This event is open to all. Before serving as Wheaton College's Chaplain, Rev. Blackmon served as senior pastor and head of staff at American Protestant Church of The Hague, in the Netherlands. Rev. Blackmon was raised in the Netherlands, and he returned to his native country in 2008 to serve at the church he attended as a child. Matt Davidson, Superintendent of Timothy Christian Schools, will detail the mission of Timothy Christian Schools and the completion of Project Impact—the new Junior High School Building and High School Gymnasium. If you have questions regarding this event, contact Mimi Stanton at [mimistanton@comcast.net](mailto:mimistanton@comcast.net).

Please join us for our **New Member Class, Journey to the Center of Church**, on October 10, 17, and 24 from 6:30-8:30 pm in the Upper Level Gathering Room. Anyone interested in knowing more about Christianity, the Reformed Faith, and membership at ECRC is invited to attend these classes. Childcare is provided for children under 3 years old. Please let us know if you need childcare by September 26. For more information contact Lisa Capozzoli, Director of Care and Community, at [lisa.capozzoli@elmhurstcrc.org](mailto:lisa.capozzoli@elmhurstcrc.org).

**PrimeTime invites you to meet FBI Special Agent Phil Andrew.** Agent Andrew will speak at a meeting open to all on October 19 at 7 pm in the Garden Room of Elmhurst Christian Reformed Church. His topic will be "Negotiating for Life." With more than 20 years experience in hostage/kidnapping cases, counterterrorism, national security and other assignments his life story will be

an impactful presentation for our audience. At the end of his presentation there will be opportunity for questions. All are invited! To help us plan for refreshments sign up at the table in the lobby or call (630)530-2924 or [dejong66@comcast.net](mailto:dejong66@comcast.net).

## OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

**NURSERY:** The nursery is looking for volunteers to serve at both the 9 & 10:30 services. From 5th grade all the way up to your golden years, we would love your help! Contact Michelle DeJong at [michelle.dejong@elmhurstcrc.org](mailto:michelle.dejong@elmhurstcrc.org) for more information.

**LITTLE LAMBS:** Little Lambs (Preschool/K ministry) begins the week of September 12, 13, 14 and we need your help to bring the good news of Jesus' love to the community! We would love if church members would fill the call for our need of TWO Bible teachers to come twice monthly. However, we would also appreciate if more church members walk alongside the many volunteers from the community in the other curriculum areas as well. We still need volunteers to come twice a month in the following positions: two Music assistants, one Creative Learning teacher, 14 craft helpers and 8 free play helpers! Prayerfully consider being a part of this ministry. Contact Lynda Clousing at 630-600-5049 or email [littlelambs@elmhurstcrc.org](mailto:littlelambs@elmhurstcrc.org) for more information. Please pray for this ministry!

**GEMS:** (for girls 1<sup>st</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade) needs additional volunteers as: a 2nd grade co-counselor, 2nd grade assistant helper, 6th grade co-counselor, 7th/8th grade counselor, as well as craft and games helpers throughout the year. Contact Chris Kocol or Nancy Van Hout at [gems@elmhurstcrc.org](mailto:gems@elmhurstcrc.org) if you are available to serve.

**CADETS:** (for boys 4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade) is seeking counselors. If you would like to learn more about this role or volunteer, please Contact Doug Slinkman at [cadets@elmhurstcrc.org](mailto:cadets@elmhurstcrc.org).

**PATHFINDERS:** (for boys 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> grade) is seeking counselors. Contact Leslie Wolterstorff or Jessica Valdez at [pathfinders@elmhurstcrc.org](mailto:pathfinders@elmhurstcrc.org) for more information or to volunteer.

**CHILDREN'S WORSHIP (1st-5th grade):** 1st-5th Children's Worship needs you! (1st Service: 1st/2nd Grade Group and 3rd/5th Grade Group; 2nd Service: 1st Grade Group, 2nd/3rd Grade Boys Group, 4th/5th Grade Group), once a month One-on-One Buddy for a 2nd grade boy, once a month Large Group Worship/Activity Leaders, once a month Large Group Story Teller for 9 am service. Contact Kara Hackert at [kara.hackert@elmhurstcrc.org](mailto:kara.hackert@elmhurstcrc.org) to serve in any of these roles.

**TRANSPORTATION TEAM:** We are in need of volunteers to provide transportation periodically to some of our elderly congregants to some of their doctor appointments. If you are interested or would like more information please contact Lisa Capozzoli, Director of Care and Community, at [lisa.capozzoli@elmhurstcrc.org](mailto:lisa.capozzoli@elmhurstcrc.org).

**SERVANTS ON STANDBY:** We are in need of men and women who can volunteer their expertise with small home repairs, driving large vehicles, and/or helping people move from one home to another. If you are interested in sharing your skills please contact Lisa Capozzoli at [lisa.capozzoli@elmhurstcrc.org](mailto:lisa.capozzoli@elmhurstcrc.org).

**HOSPITALITY:** We are in need of Greeters, Ushers, Information Center Hosts, and Refreshment Hosts at both the 9 & 10:30 am services. Interested in serving? Contact Lisa Capozzoli at [lisa.capozzoli@elmhurstcrc.org](mailto:lisa.capozzoli@elmhurstcrc.org).

**SHE (SINGLE MOMS MINISTRY):** The SHE ministry needs fun-loving mature male high school students to help supervise the activities of boys ages 7-12 in the youth room once a month from 1-2:30 pm. We also need women to help with food that is brought in, and to assist with clean up once a month. Contact Jane Loerop at [jane.loerop@elmhurstcrc.org](mailto:jane.loerop@elmhurstcrc.org).

## COMMUNITY

Don't miss this year's **Elim Dutch Festival!** With free admission, free parking, and fun activities for all ages, this year's Dutch Festival is sure to become an annual highlight for your family! The 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Elim Dutch Festival is taking place on September 23, from 7:30 am – 4:00 pm. Held on the grounds of Elim Christian Services (13020 S. Central Avenue, Palos Heights), the event features great food, shopping, entertainment, and a farmer's market. All proceeds directly impact the children and adults of Elim. Mark your calendar now!

Please also consider serving at the joy-filled **Elim Dutch Fest** on September 23. Volunteers are needed to serve at the coffee and dessert table from 10am to 4pm. Contact Debbie Lanenga at [lanengadebbie@gmail.com](mailto:lanengadebbie@gmail.com) to sign up. Volunteers are also needed to serve in 3 hour time slots between 8am to 4pm in the Food Court Booth Face Painting (all time slots available), Train ride helpers, Children's Game area Kitchen Help - Afternoon Clean-up, and Take Down (4-6 pm). Contact Renita Van Solkema at [renita.vansolkema@gmail.com](mailto:renita.vansolkema@gmail.com) if you are interested and would like more information. *(A Community Service Team Partner)*

**Timothy Christian is looking to hire bus drivers** either fully licensed or those who need training. They currently have two routes that need permanent drivers, and are always looking for people to fill in as substitutes or sports team drivers. You can choose a little or a lot! The hours are good, and drivers have vacation when the students have vacation! No Saturdays or Sundays required. If you are interested in finding out more, please contact Sue Folkerts, Transportation Coordinator, at [folkerts@timothychristian.com](mailto:folkerts@timothychristian.com) or (630)833-4616 x105.

**Timothy's Dutch Apple Pie Day** is taking place on October 9 & 10. If you would like to volunteer to help or to order a pie visit [www.timothychristian.com](http://www.timothychristian.com). Click on the "parents" tab at the top of the page and look under Announcements and News for "Apple Pie Day".

You're invited to join **Roseland Christian Ministries** for their First Annual Van Zanten Center Golf Outing to Fight Hunger in Roseland on October 14, at Lincoln Oaks Golf Course in Crete, IL. Proceeds will support RCM food programs at the Van Zanten Center. The tournament, lunch, and awards ceremony is \$100 per golfer. Check-in begins at 8:30 am tournament begins at 9:30 am. Register online at <http://www.roselandchristianministries.org/events/golf-outing/registration-form/> or contact Jei Wilson at 773-264-5665 for additional information.

Join Providence Life Services for the **57th annual Torchlight** on November 3! The event will return to the beautiful Union League Club of Chicago for dinner and socializing with the Providence family at this celebration of ministry. For tickets, call or email Joan Schutt at (708) 342-8108 or [jschutt@provlife.com](mailto:jschutt@provlife.com).

#### **ELMHURST MINISTRIES FUND FINANCIAL UPDATE (as of 9/10/17)**

...in support of the ministries and vision of ECRC

YTD anticipated contributions: \$1,825,000

YTD actual contributions: \$1,832,739

Annual 2017 budget: \$3,075,000

#### **WEEK AT A GLANCE**

##### **Sunday, 9-17-17**

9:00 am Blended Worship  
9:00 am Children's Worship  
9:00 am Food Pantry Collection  
10:00 am Coffee & Community  
10:30 am Contemporary Worship  
10:30 am Children's Worship  
11:30 am Coffee & Community  
12:00 pm SHE (Single Mothers Support Group)  
5:30 pm Maximum Velocity  
7:00 pm The Edge

##### **Monday, 9-18-17**

7:00 pm Deacons Meeting

##### **Wednesday, 9-20-17 (continued)**

6:15 pm Pathfinders  
6:30 pm Monthly SLT Meeting  
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal  
7:00 pm Evening Coffee Break  
7:00 pm GriefShare Support Group  
7:00 pm Men's Fraternity

##### **Thursday, 9-21-17**

9:00 am Little Lambs  
9:00 am Coffee Break  
9:00 am Men's Bible Study Group  
7:00 pm Missions Team

##### **Friday, 9-22-17**

**Tuesday, 9-19-17**

9:00 am Little Lambs  
 9:00 am MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers)  
 12:30 pm Coffee Break Leaders Meeting  
 7:00 pm Audit Team Meeting  
 7:00 pm Search Team Meeting

**Wednesday, 9-20-17**

9:00 am Little Lambs  
 9:00 am Coffee Break  
 12:30 pm Little Lambs  
 12:30 pm Coffee Break  
 6:00 pm Prayer Time  
 6:15 pm Cadets

**Saturday, 9-23-17**

8:30 am Prayer Group

**Sunday, 9-24-17**

9:00 am Blended Worship  
 9:00 am Children's Worship  
 10:00 am Coffee & Community  
 10:30 am Contemporary Worship  
 10:30 am Children's Worship  
 11:30 am Coffee & Community  
 11:30 am Elder/Section Leader Reception  
 5:30 pm Maximum Velocity  
 7:00 pm The Edge

**WELCOME**

We're glad you're here.

**NEW?**

We would love to meet you.

Please fill out a welcome card and place it in the offering basket.

Join us for coffee in the lobby after the service.

Stop by the Information Center and let us know you're new.

**SUNDAY SERVICES**

9 & 10:30 am Worship Services

**CHILDREN**

Nursery is available for children 0 to 36 months old.

Children's Worship (10:00) meets for children 3 years old through 5th grade in the lower level

**RESOURCES**

Assisted listening devices are available from an usher or sound booth at the rear of sanctuary

Large print bulletins are available in the Worship Center inside the doors

**PRAYER PARTNERS**

Prayer partners are available after each service to pray with in the west rear of the Worship Center

**GROW AND SERVE****ADULT MINISTRIES:**

Find opportunities to grow and serve in

Small Groups, Coffee Break Community Bible Study, Men's Fraternity, MOPS, SHE, Prime Time (55+) and more.

**STUDENT MINISTRIES**

Grow together, enjoy relationships, be encouraged and empowered with our student ministry programs;

Maximum Velocity (6-8th grade) and The EDGE (9th-12 grade)

**CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES**

We love children, and want to help raise up children that love God and serve him.

From Nursery (0-3 years old), Little Lambs (3-6 years old), Pathfinders and Cadets (1st-8th grade boys), to GEMS (1st-8th grade girls), and much more.

More growing and serving opportunities online at [elmhurstcrc.org](http://elmhurstcrc.org)

**Pastor:**

Rev. Gregg DeMey - Lead Pastor, Director of Worship - 630.600.5030 [gregg.demey@elmhurstcrc.org](mailto:gregg.demey@elmhurstcrc.org)

Complete announcements are at [elmhurstcrc.org/This Week](http://elmhurstcrc.org/This Week).