

Morning Worship

The Lord's Day • 10:30 a.m. • October 3, 2021

Welcome! We're glad you're here!

Please join us in praise and prayer.

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

- * "Prepare Our Hearts"
- * "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"
- * "Before the Throne of God Above"

Our Thanksgiving to God

- * **Hymn #323** - "Holy! Holy! Holy! Lord God Almighty"

Prayer of Oversight

Tithes and Offerings

- * **Hymn #114** - "Wonderful Grace of Jesus"

God's Word Today

Chris Gearhart

Scripture - Hebrews 7

Message - "Melchizedek, Christ, and You"

Celebration of Holy Communion (see insert)

- * **Hymn #295, verses, 1, 2 & 4** - "I Know That My Redeemer Lives"

* Benediction

- * **Response** - "Oh How He Loves You and Me" (Hymn #622)

Oh how He loves you and me,

Oh how He loves you and me.

He gave His life, what more could He give?

Oh how He loves you, Oh how He loves me,

Oh how He loves you and me.

* Indicates congregation will stand, for those who are able.
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Welcome, visitors!

We extend a sincere welcome to our visitors. It's a privilege to have you with us. As our guest, please do not feel obligated to participate in the morning offering.

We welcome Chris Gearhart to the pulpit this morning. Chris was raised in a tough town in New Jersey and put his faith in Jesus Christ at a youth retreat. He felt a call to ministry, and was attracted to the PCA because of his deep love of the Trinity and the Word of God. He pastored for 20 years but has temporarily retired from full time ministry and is producing films and commercials, while spending time with his lovely and talented wife Claudette, and amazing daughter Courtney. His son, Christopher, is an animator and software developer in Atlanta.

October newsletter available

The church's October newsletter is now available in the narthex. It includes a church calendar and letters from missionaries. Please pick one up at your convenience!

New church email address

With the launching of the church's new website comes a new church email address. Kelli can now be reached at the new address: forrestongrove@gmail.com. The old email addresses are no longer accessible.

Email addresses sought

If you did not receive an email from the church's new email address this week, we do not have your email address. Please email forrestongrove@gmail.com so Kelli can add you as a contact!

Sign up for paintball!

Forreston Grove will host a paintball session at Rock River Christian Camp on Sunday afternoon, October 24th from 1 to 3:30 p.m! All those ages 10 through 101 are encouraged to participate. The session is free, but registration is required. Friends are welcome! Sign the sheet in the narthex or contact Kelli Gunderson at 815-821-5905.

Adopt a Friend

Pick up a name from the table in the narthex, and show your love by sending a card or care package, making a visit, saying a prayer, or placing a phone call. Help encourage those in need!

(announcements continued on back...)

Ladies' Bible study continues on Thursdays

All ladies are invited to a Bible study here at the church Thursday mornings at 10 a.m. Meet in the fireplace room to study 1 Corinthians. If you'd like to participate but prefer to join remotely, email Donna Armes at drames@gmail.com.

Thank you from the Gideons

Forreston Grove Church — Thanks again for the generous support for The Gideons International. The Ogle camp distributed personal workers' testaments at Illinois State University in Bloomington and at the Ogle County Fair. This week, we go to Northern Illinois University in Dekalb. God's word goes out by leading of the spirit in many ways. Thanks again for Forreston Grove's part in His work.

— Dennis Freedlund, Ogle Gideon Camp



Forreston Grove Church

Presbyterian Church in America

*"To know Christ and
to make Him known."*

	<i>Speakers</i>	<i>Flowers</i>	<i>Nursery</i>
<i>October 3</i>	<i>Chris Gearhart</i>	<i>Linda DeVries</i>	<i>Sam & Hailey</i>
<i>October 10</i>	<i>Rick Britton</i>	<i>Linda DeVries</i>	<i>Jason & Kim</i>
<i>October 17</i>	<i>Bill Moore</i>	<i>Linda DeVries</i>	<i>Linda & grandkid</i>
<i>October 24</i>	<i>Lee Eclov</i>	<i>Linda DeVries</i>	<i>Rob & Kelli</i>

Please contact Kelli Gunderson with announcements or other items to be included in next Sunday's bulletin. Kelli can be reached at forrestongrove@gmail.com or at 815-821-5905.

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Prayer Concerns

· Church matters:

- Pray that Forreton Grove Church would overflow with love for God, one another, and our community.
- Pray that we would live beautiful, worthy lives.
- Pray that we would strive to glorify the Lord in all we do, think, and say.
- Pray that the Session would faithfully lead, shepherd, and defend the flock.
- Pray that the deacons and trustees would diligently look after the physical needs of the church.
- Pray that we would be devoted to prayer and reading God's Word.
- Pray that we would—both individually and as one body—joyfully share the good news of Jesus Christ with all who will hear.

· Ongoing requests:

- Pray that God would be preparing a pastor for Forreton Grove.
- Verlo DeWall (pray for healing)
- Nolan Heimerdinger-Baake (pray for continued weight gain)
- The Shores family - Erin, Kevin, and Josh (pray for healing and improvement)
- Darold Wubbena (pray for healing and improvement)
- Thelma Meeks (pray for continued healing of her arm)
- David Iben (pray for restoration of sight following a detached retina)
- Daryl Moring (pray that radiation treatments were successful)

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Celebration of Holy Communion

Serving of the Bread

What can wash away my sin?
Nothing but the blood of Jesus;
What can make me whole again?
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.
O! precious is the flow,
that makes me white as snow;
No other fount I know,
nothing but the blood of Jesus.

Serving of the Cup

Jesus paid it all, All to Him I owe;
Sin had left a crimson stain —
He washed it white as snow.

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