

# Morning Worship

The Lord's Day • 10:30 a.m. • October 24, 2021

*Welcome! We're glad you're here!*

*Please join us in praise and prayer.*

## Welcome and Announcements

### Call to Worship

\* "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

\* "We Bow Down"

\* "I Love You, Lord"

### Invocation & The Lord's Prayer

\* Hymn #341, verses 1-3 - "Come, Thou Almighty King"

### Prayer of Oversight

### Tithes and Offerings

\* Hymn #547, verses 1 & 2 - "The Church's One Foundation"

### God's Word Today

Tom Mathisen

Scripture - 1 Peter 2:1-12

Message - "How, Then, Shall We Live?"

\* Hymn #92, verses 1-3 - "The Solid Rock"

### \* Benediction

\* Response - "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"

*Turn your eyes upon Jesus,*

*Look full in His wonderful face,*

*And the things of Earth will grow strangely dim*

*In the light of His glory and grace.*

\* Indicates congregation will stand, for those who are able.  
All music used by permission CCLI #536906.

*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 Tom Mathisen*** to the pulpit this morning. Tom grew up in Freeport and graduated from Cedarville College with a bachelor's degree in communications and a minor in Bible. He interned at Forreton Grove, graduated from Reformed Theological Seminary in 2012, and later served as a pastor of Evangelical Community Church and as director of operations at the Rockford Rescue Mission. Tom currently serves as executive director of Camp Timberlee in East Troy, Wisconsin. He and his wife, Lori, have two sons, Alec and Hayden.

### ***Happy birthday, Loran!***

Loran Greenfield is celebrating his 80th birthday today with family. Cards can be mailed to: P.O. Box 375, Forreton, IL 61030. Happy birthday, Loran!

### ***Veterans sought***

If you are a veteran and your name was not included in last year's Veteran's Day bulletin insert, please contact Kelli Gunderson by next Friday, November 5th.

### ***Ladies' Bible study continues Thursday***

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](mailto:drames@gmail.com).

### ***Newsletter submissions due***

All items to be included in the church's November newsletter should be submitted to Kelli Gunderson by 9 a.m. this Friday, October 29th.

### ***Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes due November 14th***

It's time to start packing shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child! Suggestions to include in the box are small toys, school supplies, hygiene items and other small gifts. Boxes are available in the narthex and are due back here at Forreton Grove by Sunday, November 14th. Monetary donations are also encouraged to help offset the cost of postage. Checks should be made payable to "Samaritan's Purse." If you'd like further instructions on how to pack a shoebox, please pick up a brochure from the narthex!

*(announcements continued on back...)*

***Paintball outing to be rescheduled***

Our paintball session at Rock River Christian Camp will be postponed to a later date. If you were signed up to participate, you will be notified of a new date soon!

***Adopt a Friend***

Pick up a name from the table in the narthex, and show your love for that person by sending a card or care package, making a call or visit, or remembering them in prayer. This is a great way to help encourage your fellow Grovers!

***Thank you from Anna Gabriel***

Forreston Grove,

Thank you so much for your ongoing support, especially during this last year and a half. It was so great to have some of you jump in here this summer too!

Thanks again, Anna Gabriel



# Forreston Grove Church

Presbyterian Church in America

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

***October 24***

***October 31***

***November 7***

***November 14***

***Speakers***

*Tom Mathisen*

*Lee Eclov*

*Greg Grindinger*

*Lee Eclov*

***Flowers***

*Linda DeVries*

*Linda DeVries*

*Judy Greenfield*

*Judy Greenfield*

***Nursery***

*Rob & Kelli*

*Tim & Lynnetta*

*Diane & Lauri*

*Jan & Lynnetta*

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](mailto:forrestongrove@gmail.com) or at 815-821-5905.

7246 N. Freeport Road · Forreston, IL 61030

815-938-3605 · [forrestongrove@gmail.com](mailto:forrestongrove@gmail.com)

[www.forrestongrovechurch.com](http://www.forrestongrovechurch.com)

## *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.
- 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)

· **Our missionaries:** Bob Allums (A Praying Life ministries); Haddon Anderson (Youth for Christ-Rockford); Jonathan & Amy DeVries (InterAct-Alaska); Anna Gabriel (UIM-New Mexico); Rob & Jenny Ilderton (MTW-England); Charles & Mary Kay (Pioneers-France); Alvin Low (ACTS-Colorado/Asia); Jim & Shelley Savage (Wycliffe-Australia); Cathy Schmidt (CrossWorld-Germany); Chris & Heather (Reformed Theological Seminary); Joel & Stephanie Swanson (MTW-France); Joel & Emily (Middle East); Tom & Karen Virtue (Cru-California); Bruce & Barbara Wannemacher (MTW-South Africa); Tom & Dana Yeakley (Navigators-Colorado)

· **Our missions:** Cal Farley's Boys Ranch, Eastland YoungLife, Forreton Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Freeport Pregnancy Center, Gideons International, Kids Around the World, Pioneer Club, Presbyterian Church in America, Presbytery of Northern Illinois, Radio Bible Class, Rockford Rescue Mission, Vacation Bible School

## *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.
- 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)

· **Our missionaries:** Bob Allums (A Praying Life ministries); Haddon Anderson (Youth for Christ-Rockford); Jonathan & Amy DeVries (InterAct-Alaska); Anna Gabriel (UIM-New Mexico); Rob & Jenny Ilderton (MTW-England); Charles & Mary Kay (Pioneers-France); Alvin Low (ACTS-Colorado/Asia); Jim & Shelley Savage (Wycliffe-Australia); Cathy Schmidt (CrossWorld-Germany); Chris & Heather (Reformed Theological Seminary); Joel & Stephanie Swanson (MTW-France); Joel & Emily (Middle East); Tom & Karen Virtue (Cru-California); Bruce & Barbara Wannemacher (MTW-South Africa); Tom & Dana Yeakley (Navigators-Colorado)

· **Our missions:** Cal Farley's Boys Ranch, Eastland YoungLife, Forreton Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Freeport Pregnancy Center, Gideons International, Kids Around the World, Pioneer Club, Presbyterian Church in America, Presbytery of Northern Illinois, Radio Bible Class, Rockford Rescue Mission, Vacation Bible School

*Sermon notes*

“How, Then, Shall We Live?”  
I Peter 2:1-12

*Sermon notes*

“How, Then, Shall We Live?”  
I Peter 2:1-12