Morning Worship

The Lord's Day · 10:30 a.m. · November 6, 2022

Welcome! We're glad you're here!

Please join us in praise and prayer.

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

* "He Has Made Me Glad"* "Shout to the North"* "That's Why We Praise Him"

Our Confession of Sin

* Hymn #574 - "Revive Us Again"

Prayer of Oversight

Tithes and Offerings - "We Give Thee But Thine Own" We give Thee but Thine own, What e're the gift may be. All that we have is Thine alone, A trust oh Lord from Thee.

* **Hymn #667, vs. 1-3 -** "Jesus Saves!"

God's Word Today - Bob Allums

Acts 12:1-17

"The Secret to Missions in an Increasingly Hostile World"

* Hymn #349 - "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

* Benediction

* Response - "Find Us Faithful"

O may all who come behind us find us faithful; May the fire of our devotion light their way. May the footprints that we leave lead them to believe And the lives we live inspire them to obey. O may all who come behind us find us faithful.

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 Bob Allums to our pulpit this morning. Bob is director of "A Praying Life" Ministries for seeJesus. He has been regularly teaching seminars both in the United States and internationally for more than 21 years. Bob and his wife, Helen, have three grown children and live in the Chicago area.

Mission Feast is today!

All are invited and encouraged to stay for the Mission Feast meal after this morning's worship service. Follow the mouthwatering aromas downstairs to fellowship hall!

Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes due next Sunday

It's time to pack 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 Forreston Grove by Sunday, November 13th. Monetary donations are also encouraged to help offset the \$10 cost of postage for each box. 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!

Volunteers sought at Operation Christmas Child processing center

Operation Christmas Child is in urgent need of more volunteers at its processing center in Aurora, Illinois November 23rd - December 17th. As a volunteer, you'll be inspecting gifts, adding filler items where needed, scanning labels, organizing shoeboxes by age and gender into designated cartons, and more. To sign up, visit www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child, and click on "Volunteer at a processing center." If you'd like to join a group already volunteering from Forreston Grove, sign up for the Wednesday, November 23rd shift from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., and contact Kelli Gunderson!

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Library books available

The library committee has been working to organize the library and add some new materials. In so doing, they've found some duplicate books that are no longer needed in the library. Please check the desk in the library and take what you would like free of charge!

November newsletter available

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

This week at Forreston Grove

* Thursday, 10 a.m. - Women's book study

Thank you from the Moores

We thank you for all the prayers for Nolan and continued prayers. He still has a G-tube in for liquids that we hope to get rid of in time! In Christ's love, Lyle & Pat



	Speakers	Flowers	Nursery
Nov 6	Bob Allums	Linda DeVries	Daryl & Erika
Nov 13	Bill Moore	Linda DeVries	Butch & Tammy
Nov 20	Stan Armes	Linda DeVries	Sam & Hailey
Nov 27	Lyle Greenfield	Tammy & Makayla	Jason & Kim

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.

Prayer Concerns

Church matters:

- · Pray that God would be preparing a pastor for Forreston Grove.
- · Pray that Forreston Grove Church would overflow with love for God, one another, & our community.
- · Pray that we would live beautiful, worthy lives.
- · Pray that we would strive to glorify the Lord in all we do, think, & say.
- · Pray that the Session would faithfully lead, shepherd, & defend the flock.
- · Pray that the deacons & 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 & as one body—joyfully share the good news of Jesus Christ with all who will hear.

New concerns

- · Deverick Sander, son of Larry & Jacki Sander, is hospitalized at OSF Peoria with significant injuries and will likely be undergoing surgery on his tongue and throat. Pray for successful surgery for him, and for peace and provision for the family at home caring for their farm.
- · Megan Runyon is scheduled for surgery to remove a cancerous tumor on her thyroid this Tuesday, November 8th. Pray for a successful surgery & recovery.
- · Linda Coleman's granddaughter, Masyn Coleman, has been in & out of the hospital with a rare stomach condition. Pray for relief & healing for her.

· Ongoing concerns:

- · Rich Johnson (pray for pain relief & healing of both of his legs)
- · David Iben (praise God that his throat & eye are improving)
- · Matt Davis (pray for continued healing & health)
- · Nolan Heimerdinger-Baake (pray that the G-tube would no longer be necessary)
- · Our missionaries: Bob Allums; Haddon Anderson; Jonathan & Amy DeVries; Anna Gabriel; Rob & Jenny Ilderton; Charles & Mary Kay; Alvin Low; Cathy Schmidt; Chris & Heather Shepherd; Joel & Stephanie Swanson; Sheridan; Joel & Emily; Tom & Karen Virtue; Tom & Dana Yeakley
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