

Morning Worship

The Lord's Day • 10:30 a.m. • August 20, 2023

Welcome! We're glad you're here!

Please join us in praise and prayer.

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

* "My Life is in You, Lord"

* "I Will Sing of the Mercies of the Lord"

* "He Will Hold Me Fast"

Our Thanksgiving to God

Music Video - "Fill My Cup" by Andrew Ripp

Prayer of Oversight

Tithes and Offerings - "More Precious than Silver"

Lord, You are more precious than silver.

Lord, You are more costly than gold.

Lord, You are more beautiful than diamonds,

And nothing I desire compares with You.

* **Hymn #240, vs. 1 & 4** - "Fairest Lord Jesus"

God's Word Today - Mike Wilhelm

Matthew 15:21-28 • "Interrupted by Great Faith"

* **Hymn #363** - "To God Be the Glory"

* **Benediction**

* **Response** - "The Steadfast Love of the Lord"

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases;

His mercies never come to an end.

They are new every morning, new every morning;

Great is thy faithfulness, oh Lord.

Great is thy faithfulness, oh Lord. Great is thy faithfulness.

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 Mike Wilhelm to the pulpit this morning. Mike is the senior chaplain at Cal Farley's Boys Ranch near Amarillo, Texas. Cal Farley's is a residential childcare facility for boys & girls, providing services at no cost to families. Since coming to Cal Farley's in 2005, Mike has been responsible for the spiritual care of the Cal Farley's community. He is a commissioned minister of Anna Street Church in Amarillo, holding an M.A. in Biblical Interpretation from Lubbock Christian University, a Certificate in Spiritual Direction (CSD) from Perkins School of Theology at SMU, and a Ph.D. in Humanities from Faulkner University's Great Books Honors College. Mike grew up in Shannon (SHS class of 1981), the son of Wayne and Phyllis Wilhelm. He and his wife, Lee, have two sons and five very busy grandchildren involved in rodeo, sports, & livestock shows.

Blessings Alamode at Forreton Reformed tonight

All are invited to a "Blessings Alamode" community prayer service to remember students, teachers, and administrators at the start of this new school year. The service will take place at 6 p.m. tonight, August 20th at Forreton Reformed Church. Ice cream will be served following the service, on the church lawn!

Payment due for "Church Basement Ladies"

If you signed up to attend the play "Church Basement Ladies" at Timber Lake Playhouse, your ticket has been purchased and we're looking forward to a fun afternoon out! The cost per ticket is \$25. Please pay Diane Duitsman or Linda DeVries.

Next outdoor worship service at Forreton Grove is September 3rd

The final outdoor worship service for the season at Forreton Grove will be held Sunday, September 3rd. The service will begin at 9:30 a.m. behind the manse. There will be no Sunday School that Sunday. Bring your own lawn chair!

Breakfast to be served September 10th

The Forreton Grove Elder board will cook and serve breakfast for the congregation on Sunday morning, September 10th. Come for a scrumptious breakfast between 8:45 and 9:45 a.m., followed by a time of fellowship. There will be no Sunday School that morning.

* Indicates congregation will stand, for those who are able.
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Pioneer Club to begin September 13th

The Fall session of Pioneer Club is set to begin here at Forreston Grove on September 13th! Children kindergarten through 8th grade will be welcomed here from 6 to 7:30 p.m. every Wednesday through November 1st. If you're able to volunteer, please contact Sandy Williams!

Movie night set for September 17th

Mark your calendars for movie night at the Lamms' barn on Sunday, September 17th. More details will be announced later!

Daily devotionals available

"Our Daily Bread" devotionals for September, October & November are now available in the rotating rack in the narthex. Please pick one up at your convenience!



Forreston Grove Church
Presbyterian Church in America

For congregational needs, contact...

Lee Eclov 847-302-6853 Elders: Lyle Greenfield 815-266-4143, Butch DeVries, Brian Duncan, Tim Greenfield, Rob Gunderson, Matt Williams

	<i>Speakers</i>	<i>Flowers</i>	<i>Nursery</i>
<i>August 20</i>	<i>Mike Wilhelm</i>	<i>Linda DeVries</i>	<i>Sam & Hailey</i>
<i>August 27</i>	<i>Rick Anderson</i>	<i>Renee Fink</i>	<i>Jason & Kim</i>
<i>September 3</i>	<i>Lyle Greenfield</i>	<i>~outdoor service~</i>	<i>~outdoor service~</i>
<i>September 10</i>	<i>Lyle Greenfield</i>	<i>Lauri Plambeck</i>	<i>Linda & grandkid</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.

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

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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 & trustees would diligently care for 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 concerns:

- Gary Greenfield (effects of ALS)
- Tom & Lucy Gauthier (heart health, and for their son, Billy (lymphoma))
- John & Shirley Iben (pray for provision, strength, and healing)
- Megan Runyon (pray for continued healing and ongoing treatment)
- Matt Davis (pray for continued healing and health)
- Nolan Heimerdinger-Baake (pray that the G-tube would no longer be necessary)

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