

Morning Worship

The Lord's Day • 10:30 a.m. • March 30, 2025

*Welcome! We're glad you're here!
Please join us in praise and prayer.*

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

- * "We Will Glorify"
- * "Mighty is Our God"
- * "Our God"

Our Confession of Sin

Prayer of Oversight

Tithes and Offerings - "Give Thanks"

*Give thanks with a grateful heart; Give thanks to the Holy One.
Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son;
Give thanks.*

Celebration of Holy Communion (see insert)

- * Hymn #557, vs. 1 & 4 - "Christ is Made the Sure Foundation"

God's Word Today - Lyle Greenfield 1 Peter 2:9-12 — "Live Good Lives"

- * Hymn #458 - "Take My Life, and Let It Be Consecrated"

* Benediction

- * Response - "Bless His Holy Name"

*Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and all that is within me, Bless His holy Name
He has done great things, He has done great things,
He has done great things, Bless His holy Name.*

* 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. For those who wish to place an offering, offering plates are available throughout the service at the back of the sanctuary.

Congratulations to Riley & Tia Cornelius on the birth of their son, Remy Austin. Remy was born March 28th weighing 7 pounds 11 ounces and measuring 21 inches. The rose-bud at the front of the sanctuary is in honor of his birth.

Thank you from Harley & Carolyn

We sincerely thank our dear church family for the prayers and many kindnesses shown to us during our "latest situation." We are truly blessed. — Carolyn & Harley

April newsletters available

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

Summer camp scholarships available

Forreston Grove is once again offering \$215 scholarships for any youth who would like to attend Rock River Christian Camp, Walcamp, Camp Timber-Lee, or PCA Cono Camp this summer. Flyers are available in the narthex!

Ladies' monthly study continues April 13th

The new ladies' study focusing on the book "How a Wife Speaks," by Selena Frederick, will continue the second Sunday of each month, at 6 p.m. in the fireplace room. Contact Emily Williams for more information!

Maundy Thursday service will be April 17th

Forreston Grove's Maundy Thursday service will be held at 6 p.m. on Thursday, April 17th. Communion will be served.

Mens' monthly study continues April 20th

The men's book study of "How a Husband Speaks" by R.G. Frederick, will continue the third Sunday of every month at 6 p.m. Contact Matt Williams for more information!

(announcements continued on back...)

Baileyville Reformed to host soup supper

Baileyville Reformed Church invites us to their annual soup supper on Thursday, March 27th beginning at 5 p.m. The meal will include soup, sandwich, dessert, and drink. Carry-outs are available. A free will offering will be accepted. Check the bulletin board in the narthex for more information!

Ladies invited to breakfast at Faith Luteran

Faith Lutheran Church in Forreston invites our ladies to join them at their FAITHfilled Ladies' Breakfast for fun, food, and fellowship on Saturday, April 12th from 9 to 11 a.m. Entertainment will be the "Lost in the Woods" barbershop quartet.

Save the date to Walk for Life!

Lifeline Coalition's annual Walk for Life will take place at Krape Park on Saturday, May 3rd at 10 a.m. All are welcome!



Forreston Grove Church

Presbyterian Church in America

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

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>March 30</i>	<i>Lyle Greenfield</i>	<i>Jan Davis</i>	<i>Jason & Kim</i>
<i>April 6</i>	<i>Lee Eclov</i>	<i>~volunteer sought~</i>	<i>Robert & Danielle</i>
<i>April 13</i>	<i>Lyle Greenfield</i>	<i>~volunteer sought~</i>	<i>Carl & Sarah</i>
<i>April 20</i>	<i>Lyle Greenfield</i>	<i>~volunteer sought~</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 Forreston Grove 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 God in all we do, think, & say.
- Pray that the Session would faithfully lead, shepherd, & 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.

· **New concerns:**

- Tom Virtue is scheduled to begin chemotherapy this week. Pray for health and strength for him as he undergoes six months of treatment.

· **Ongoing concerns:**

- Thelma Meeks (pray for strength)
- John & Shirley Iben (pray for provision, strength, and peace)
- Loran Greenfield (pray for strength and improved mobility)

· **Our featured missionary:** Continue to pray for Haddon Anderson and Youth for Christ as construction on their new facility for youth has officially begun. Pray that it could be open later this year. Also pray as Youth for Christ seeks new staff candidates who align with their Christ-centered mission and have a passion for reaching local youth.

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Celebration of Holy Communion

Serving of the Bread

“Whiter Than Snow” - Hymn #109, verses 1 & 2

Lord Jesus, I long to be perfectly whole;
I want Thee forever to live in my soul,
Break down every idol, cast out every foe—
Now wash me and I shall be whiter than snow.

**(Chorus) Whiter than snow, yes, whiter than snow—
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Lord Jesus, look down from Your throne in the skies
And help me to make a complete sacrifice.
I give up myself and whatever I know
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(Repeat Chorus)

Serving of the Cup

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Lord Jesus, for this I most humbly entreat;
I wait, blessed Lord, at Thy crucified feet.
By faith, for my cleansing I see Your blood flow
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(Repeat Chorus)

Lord Jesus, You see as I patiently wait;
Come now and within me a new heart create.
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