



Announcements & Upcoming Events

April 13, 2025

THIS WEEK'S OPPORTUNITIES

(April 13 - 19)

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| Sunday | 9:30 AM - Worship Service 10:45 AM - Faith Kids - Last Sunday! |
| Monday | 7:00 PM - Council Meeting 7:30 PM - Consistory Meeting |
| Tuesday | 6:15 AM - Daybreak Bible Study Easter Les: 6; L: Marlene T; S: Cindy H 3:30 PM - Friendship Bible Easter Celebration @ C.O.C. 6:00 PM - Fellowship Team Meeting |
| Wednesday | 7:00 PM - Young People's Worship Night @ Faith Church 6:30 PM - Prayer Time |
| Thursday | 6:30 AM - Third Watch Men's Bible Study - meet in the church library 10:00 AM - EARLY Announcement & Prayer Sheet Deadlines |
| Friday | 6:00 PM - Good Friday Service @ Faith |

SUNDAY, APRIL 13

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP HELPERS:

Story Teller: Kathy R.
Helpers: Summer K., Conner K.

FAITH KIDS HALL KNIGHT:

Jerry Ver Meer

NURSERY ATTENDANTS:

Amy De Waard, Gaige Bouma

USHERS FOR MONTH OF APRIL:

Mark De Jong - Mary De Jong -
Neva Groenendyk - Ken Tukker

OFFERING CAUSE FOR APRIL 13:

Calvin University

NEXT SUNDAY, APRIL 20

Easter
SUNDAY

Next Sunday is Easter Sunday!

NURSERY ATTENDANTS:

Kurt & Lindsay Stout
Elliot Ochsner

USHERS FOR MONTH OF APRIL:

Mark De Jong - Mary De Jong -
Neva Groenendyk - Ken Tukker

OFFERING CAUSE FOR APRIL 20:

Faith's Building Expansion Fund

UPCOMING WORSHIP SERVICES

To help you prepare your heart and mind for worship, below are the passages/theme that we will be studying in our upcoming worship services.

- 4/13 Palm Sunday
Luke 8:22-39
In Miracles and Battles with Demons
- 4/18 Good Friday
Luke 19:1-10
In Friendship with Sinners
- 4/20 Easter Sunday
Matthew 28:1-20
The Rule of God



April 18, 6:00 PM - Good Friday Service

Faith Church and Connect Church will be combining for only one service this year. This year Faith will host the Good Friday Service. Pastor Brian will bring the message, "In Friendship with Sinners" from Luke 19:1-10. Communion will be served at the Good Friday Service.

April 20, 9:30 AM - *Easter Sunday Morning*

Easter Sunday Worship Service. Pastor Brian will bring the message, "The Rule of God" from Matthew 28:1-20.

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FROM COUNCIL

Changes in Budget Presentation


Council has approved that salary and benefit information for all staff members will be combined on all printed materials. Salary and benefit details for each staff member will be displayed at the upcoming congregational meeting for a one time transitional year. If a member would like more detail, they are welcome to reach out to any Administrative Board Member.

Rationale for the Change:

1. Our staff deserve more discretion as to how their salary information is shared.
2. It is desired that we further the mindset of supporting all ministries of Faith Church rather than individual line items in the budget.


CONGREGATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALLING ALL KOK - 3RD GRADE CHILDREN:




Please meet in the orange singing room this Sunday, April 13, at 9:15 AM to prepare to wave palm branches and sing 3 songs in the Palm Sunday Service. You will sit with your parents when we are done. Looking ahead, we will also be singing in the Sunday School Celebration Service on April 27! Many of your siblings will be involved as well. Please be there!

EASTER LILIES—The Flower Ministry Team is collecting donations for Easter lilies to decorate our sanctuary on Easter morning! Lilies may be donated in memory of a loved one and will be listed in the worship folder. There is a sign up sheet in the back or you may email Nancy at office@faithcrpella.org. Please sign up **by TODAY, April 13**. You may pick up your lily anytime after the Easter Sunday service, or we will continue to use it for springtime Sanctuary décor. The cost for each lily is \$9.50. Payment should be given to Cassie Van Dyke or Nicole Nikkel. Thanks



60+ EVENT—The deadline to sign up for the 60+ day trip to Chariton is **TODAY**, April 13. Please sign the sheet on the table in the Narthex if you would like to join us for this day of fun discovery and fellowship. The trip is planned for Thursday, April 24, we'll leave church at 9:15 a.m. and return around 5:30 p.m. Some walking and standing is required on the tours, an information sheet with details was placed in your mailbox. Contact Linda Jansen for more information or with any questions: lbj4952@gmail.com or 641-780-1876.




THE PELLA FOOD SHELF COULD USE OUR HELP!

This is the last Sunday we will be collecting Crackers, Cereal, and Applesauce for the Pella Food Shelf. These are the 3 items that they really need right now. Thank you!


FAITH YOUTH GROUP—This week April 16, for our final Wednesday night of YP, we will be having a Holy Week Worship Night from 7:00-8:00 PM to celebrate what Jesus did for us during Holy Week and his miraculous resurrection on Easter Sunday! Doors will open at 6:30 PM and worship will begin at 7:00 PM. Students are encouraged to invite their friends to come join us for this time of worship!

EARLY DEADLINES & OFFICE CLOSED—The Announcements deadline and Prayer Sheet deadline this week is 10:00 a.m. Thursday, April 17. The church office will be closed Friday, April 18.




FAITH KIDS' CELEBRATION SUNDAY! Please make plans to attend our Celebration Sunday service on April 27! Our Faith Kids will be leading us in our worship and celebrating the construction/transformation that God has done in their lives! All of the classes will have a role in the service. Kids in K-12 will sit with their classes. Our offering that morning will be for our Turf for Compton to meet our \$8,000 goal! We look forward to seeing you there!

TURF FOR COMPTON. Our Faith Kids offering total is up to \$5,557.79. We need \$2,442.21 to meet our goal of \$8,000. Let's see what we can accomplish in the last few weeks of our education season! A collection will be taken during the worship service on April 27 in addition to our continued collection in our Faith Kids classes and our church donation box in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you for your gifts to encourage our many friends in Compton!!



HOSPITALITY HOUSE CLEANING OPPORTUNITY—The Admin. Team is looking for an individual to clean the Hospitality House on a part-time basis. The hours will vary according to usage. Please contact Linda Jansen by Sunday, April 27 if you are interested in being considered.

SAVE THE DATE! VBS IS COMING!! The 2025 dates are set for June 9 - 13! Watch for announcements after Easter about signing up to volunteer and for one after Tulip Time to sign up your children to attend!



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Faith Church Announcements — 4/13/25

JOIN A GROUP OF FAITH PEOPLE ON A TRIP to Drakesville, Bloomfield area to shop Amish owned greenhouses. Plans are to leave church, (with an extra vehicle for purchases) at 9:00 on Monday, May 12 and to return by 5:00. Please let Bonnie Verburg know if you wish to come along. Sign up on the sheet on the table in back by May 3 or bverburg73@gmail.com or call 628-4960. There may be a small cost for transportation, depending on how many go, and lunch will be on your own at a restaurant in the area.



Building Fund Update:

The offering next Sunday, April 20, is designated for the Building Expansion Fund.

Please consider a donation at this time to help lower interest costs.

Approved budget: \$5,160,000

Left to pay: \$ 704,000

Bank Balance 4/10 \$ 15,490

Anticipated amounts due in April:

Due 4/18 \$ 120,000

Due 4/23 \$ 300,000

New Building & Parking Information



- The East parking lot is still closed for replacement. Please use the West Drive until this is complete.

- The new building is open please use the main south entrance during the week to enter the building.

- All doors will be open for Sunday worship, except for the one to the council room. (The office doors will also be locked.)

- Any member who desires to enter the building outside of normal hours (8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Mon - Fri.), please contact Nancy to receive your own access card. (All church keys will no longer work as of tomorrow, April 14.)

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

SPRING GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP! Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. April 15 - June 3 at The Well in Pella. Contact Pam Bettger to sign up at (515) 447-3383.

PK-KINDERGARTEN ROUND-UP: Peoria Christian School is holding Round-Up for students considering enrolling in prekindergarten or kindergarten for the 2025/2026 school year. It is scheduled for Wednesday, April 16, from 8:15 AM-12:40 PM. Please contact the office at office@peoriachr.org if you are interested in your child attending or if you know of a family who has a child who could be interested.

A GRAND DAY AT PELLA CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS: Grandparents and special friends are invited to join us for A Grand Day!

- Grand Day at Pella Christian High School is Wednesday, April 16 beginning at 8:40 a.m.
- Grand Day at Pella Christian Grade School is Thursday, April 17 beginning at 9:00 a.m.

The mornings will include chapels, classroom visits, student performances and lunch. We look forward to spending this time with you and sharing how God's Story is unfolding at Pella Christian Schools.

HELP US SOAR AT PELLA CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS—This year's Help Us Soar campaign at Pella Christian Schools will transform the new PCGS Playground and PCHS Capital Improvements at the high school campus, allowing us to remain focused on our mission and the Lord's transformation happening in the lives of our students. Show your support by donating online at www.pceagles.org/helpussoar or by sending in your gift via mail by April 25, 2025 to 300 Eagle Lane, Pella IA 50219. Donations can be designated for Pella Christian High School, Pella Christian Grade School or simply Pella Christian Schools and it will be divided between both campuses.

PATTH (Pella Teams to Honduras) WILL BE HAVING the Ribeye Steak Sandwich stand at Tulip Time on Thursday and Friday. Would you be able to help for a couple hours either of those days? Please let Jean DeWaard know if you would be willing to help or if you have any questions. Thank you!

VISIT THE EAGLE BOOSTERS' BOOTH AT TULIP TIME! Are you visiting Tulip Time this year? Be sure to stop by the Pella Christian High School concession stand located at East First and Franklin (in front of Bredeaux Pizza). We'll be serving Dutch spiced beef, Pella bologna, cotton candy, snow cones, cookies, chips, and an assortment of drinks, and back by popular demand, the "Dutch Stack" sandwich (Dutch spiced beef, Pella bologna, and Gouda cheese). All proceeds support PC academics and our athletic, theater and music programs. We promise to satisfy your appetite and thirst while you support PCHS!

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MINISTRY BROADCASTS

RESONATE GLOBAL MISSION MATCHING GIFT OPPORTUNITY—A generous donor has agreed to match all gifts for Resonate's "Where Most Needed" fund received between March 13 and April 30, 2025, up to \$175,000! Donations can be made here online: <https://www.resonateglobalmission.org/double>

JOURNEY WITH WORLD RENEW IN UGANDA! Join the World Renew Uganda Discovery Tour from August 9–19, 2025, and experience the transformative power of God firsthand. Visit communities focused on maternal and child health, food security, and conservation agriculture. Connect with youth empowerment clubs and village savings groups, witnessing how lives are being changed for a brighter future. Experience the breathtaking Murchison Falls, embark on an exciting safari adventure, and immerse yourself in the incredible beauty of Uganda. For more information and to register, visit: <https://bit.ly/2025ugandainfo>

PAUL'S MISSIONARY JOURNEYS IN GREECE—October 13-24, 2025 – Travel by motor coach (6 days) and cruise ship (4 days) to sites connected with Paul's second and third missionary journeys, as well as visit other major sites of biblical, archaeological, and cultural interest. Jeff Weima, professor at Calvin Theological Seminary and leading Pauline scholar, hosts this inspirational tour. For more information, contact Dr. Weima at 616-328-3110 or weimje@calvinseminary.edu.

KIDS CORNER (<https://kidscorner.net/>)—Lent: Jesus Loves Me – Check out this week's Kids Corner devotion "Lent: Jesus Loves Me" at www.kidscorner.net. What does it mean to love like Jesus? Even while on the cross and in his deepest suffering, Jesus prayed for forgiveness for those who hurt him and extended love to a criminal who asked to be remembered (Luke 23:39-43). Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net, like KC's Lent and Easter Collection.

GROUNDWORK—Holy Week: The Week of Jesus' Death - Many formative events for our Christian faith occurred in the last week of Jesus' journey to the cross. Join *Groundwork* as we study Matthew 21:1-11, John 13:1-17, 34-35, Matthew 26:26-30, and Matthew 27:32-50 to remember, meditate on, and nurture our faith by once again journeying through Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday with Jesus. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

FAITH'S LIVE-STREAM—The worship service will be live-streamed at 9:30 AM on Sundays via Faith's YouTube channel [click here](#) or Faith's Facebook page [click here](#).

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