## **HUMANS OF FAITH**



-Dave Ruitenberg -

What's the strangest thing you've ever eaten, and would you eat it again?

Sea urchin-and absolutely not.

If you could be great at any Olympic sport, what would it be?

### Downhill skiing.

Who's the most famous person you've ever met?

I had the privilege of meeting and working with several famous people during my time in publishing, but the one that stands out most is meeting the author John Irving and then introducing him to my colleague, Janet Turnbull—whom he would later marry.

If you were a potato, how would you like to be cooked?

Hutspot! Tastes great and it's good for you (or at least pretty good, right?).

What's your favorite hymn?

If we're counting carols, it's a tossup between "O Come All Ye Faithful" and "Be Thou My Vision".

#### **Church Calendar**

#### This Week

April 27

Door Monitor- Julanna Klaasen Sound/Video- Jon Englishmen

Projector- Dan Vande Vrede

Nursery- Dana Miller, Sue Grimm, Emilia Miller

KidsChurch- Barb Belanus, Kristen Tolsma Coffee- Dennis & Jan Kuiken

Prayers Of The People- Andrew van der Meer

Children's Message-Paul Cusack

KidSpace- Emma Faasse, Mary van der Meer

Chosen- Kelly Delaney, Gloria Kang

## Next Week May 4

Door Monitor- Dave Ruitenberg Sound/Video- Paul Cusack

Projector- Phil Verrengia

Nursery- Mary van der Meer, Lynn Walker KidsChurch- Linda Van Lenten, Sandy Ruit

Coffee- Craig & Ginny Hoogstra

Prayers Of The People- Dave Dykhouse

Children's Message- Jan Kuiken KidSpace- Dana Miller, Laura Royle

Chosen- Tanya Calaski, Erin Selby

What is your favorite vacation spot/most interesting place you've visited?

#### Kiawah Island, SC.

What are five quick things you're thankful for?

Sally, my kids, my church family, my dog and my friends.

What's your favorite Bible verse and why?

Psalm 19:14—"May the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be acceptable in your sight, Lord, my rock and my redeemer." It's my morning mantra that's both a prayer and an affirmation of faith.

What's a book you wish you could read again for the first time? Wow, that's a tough one ... East of Eden by John Steinbeck.

What are your favorite hobbies/pastimes?

I'm a gardener and an audiophile.





Rev. Moses Kang
Jay & Jess Everett, Worship Leaders

April 27, 2025

PRELUDE

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

\*GATHERING SONG- "I KNOW THAT MY REDEEMER LIVES"

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

\*GOD'S GREETING & MUTUAL GREETING

\* SONG OF PRAISE- "THE WAY"

CALL TO CONFESSION

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** 

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON** 

**SONG OF ASSURANCE- "KING OF KINGS"** 

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

\*Song Of Preparation- "LORD, I NEED YOU"

**SCRIPTURE-** *JOHN 20: 19-31* 

SERMON- "DON'T FEAR DOUBT"

\*Song Of Response- "Tis So Sweet To Trust In Jesus"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERING

SPECIAL COLLECTION- TECHNOLOGY FUND

\*PARTING SONG- "HEAR THE CALL OF THE KINGDOM"

\*BENEDICTION

\*Doxology- "There Is Power In The Blood"

POSTLUDE

**F**ELLOWSHIP **T**IME

EVERYONE IS INVITED TO COFFEE, REFRESHMENTS AND FELLOWSHIP IN THE BARN.

\*Please rise, in body or in spirit

~ Deep Roots, Fresh Growth ~

#### TODAY, April 27,

Is the second Sunday of Easter

#### **NEXT SUNDAY,** May 4,

- Is the third Sunday of Easter
- John Dyksen will worship with and lead us in worship.

#### **FAITH COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Pastor Moses will be away this week** on a study tour of the Revival Movement in Wales with the Korean CRC Ministers Association. If you have any pastoral concerns this week, please contact your elder or the office.

**Thank you to Trudie Pruiksma and Bev Bentley** for our annual Ladies Tea. It was a wonderful afternoon of togetherness and fellowship.

**This morning** a Listening Circle for Faith Formation, hosted by Thrive Ministry (CRCNA's Congregational Ministries), will be held for families with children. This will be an hour facilitated conversation followed by a lunch. Childcare will be provided.

**Council is requesting nominations** for the upcoming vacancies for 3 Elders and 2 Deacons. Please provide nominations to Bill Faasse at b.faasse@gmail.com or 973-477-5569. We thank Karen Spano and Mark Tolsma for their faithful service as Deacons and Ginny Hoogstra, Andrew van der Meer and Bill Faasse for their faithful service as Elders.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** Volunteers are desperately needed for many of our programs. Please prayerfully consider shadowing to do the projector or sound booth. Please also consider helping our many children's programs including nursery (come hang out with Violet & Avery!), learn Bible story basics with the kids in KidsChurch (age 3-K), help lead our younger kids in KidSpace (grades 1-4) as they learn the books of the Bible or devote time to help lead meaningful lessons to our 5-8<sup>th</sup> graders in Chosen. Please see Kelly with any questions.

**VBS 2025 needs you!** Join us on the exciting Road Trip--On the Go with God. Please begin with prayer for VBS and then be open to God's leading. VBS needs Freeway Friends to assist the children with crafts, music, recreation, registration, snacks, etc. We also need Pit Stop Pals with artistic talent to help make props and decorations. Please contact The Destination Dreamers; Barbara Belanus, Bev Bentley, Linda Van Lenten, or Carol Dunning, if you are available to help with VBS 2025 preparation, and/or when it hits the road on August 18-22.

**Upcoming book study:** Amy Brooks and Andrew van der Meer will be facilitating a book study of Matthew Vines' "God and the Gay Christian." This book was chosen for Matthew's firm belief in the Bible as the authoritative Word of God, his historical scholarship, and his personal voice as a devoted follower of Christ. We'll meet to discuss once a month for 3 months beginning May 18, 7:30p-8:30p starting with chapters 1-3. You are welcome to join in person (Barn) or via Zoom. For more information, contact Amy or Andrew.

#### **REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS**

MADISON AVE CROSSROADS UPDATE- Madison Ave Crossroads' Emergency Food Pantry is one of the approved sites for food distribution from the Community Food Bank of New Jersey. Due to severe cuts from the federal government, the Community Food Bank has significantly reduced the available food Madison Ave can receive. One way to help is to donate any of the following foods: cans of vegetables, shelf box of milk, cans of fruit, cans of tuna, cans/jars of spaghetti sauce, 1 lb. boxes or bags of pasta, boxes of macaroni and cheese, cans of soup, peanut butter, jelly, 1lb. boxes or bags of rice. Please place in the bin in the narthex and see Kelly with any questions.

A Taste of Windmere! Join us on Tuesday, April 29<sup>th</sup> from 3 pm -6 pm for a self-paced tour at North Haledon's hidden gem of senior living! Check out available rooms ready for immediate occupancy in our newly renovated, all-inclusive 65+ residential living complex. For more details on either event, call Lori @ 973-807-3250.

## **OUR FAITH COMMUNITY FAMILY**

Edna Hoogerhyde continues to recover at Christian Health.

Please keep *Helen Van Olden* in your prayers as she struggles with a health issue.

Betty Youngsman continues to recuperate at Christian Health for her broken shoulder and hip.

Happy belated birthday to *Alan Bandstra*, who celebrated his birthday on April 23<sup>rd</sup>.

SICK & SHUT-INS —
Louise Butler, Helen Van Olden



4/30 Bill Faasse Sr.

4/30 Ken Dyer

# Special Collections

April 27-

Technology Fund

May 4-

**ECSA** 

May 11-

Benevolence

May 18-

Missions

May 25-

Sunday Night Live Youth Group