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February 17, 2019

9:30 am • Pastor Noah Livingston

I Samuel 3:1-20

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***We are a purposeful community transformed by the love of God and engaging the world with the grace and truth of Jesus through the practice of Christian hospitality.***

**We welcome you into our community and our lives.** Following this morning's worship, we invite you to join us for a cup of coffee in the Fellowship Hall.

**Babies & Young Children**

A nursery for children 2 years and younger is next to the kitchen off of the Fellowship Hall. Children, 3, 4, and 5 years old who have not started Kindergarten will be dismissed before the sermon to room 27 for Preschool Church Hour.

**Aids to Worship**

Hearing assistance devices are available in the narthex. Please ask our greeters for assistance.



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# 9:30 worship ---

## We Gather to Worship the Triune God

**Gathering Song:** *The Lord Be With You*

Red Hymnal 535

**We Receive God's Greeting**

**\*Songs:**

*We Will Extol You, God and King*

Red Hymnal 562

*Speak, O Lord*

Red Hymnal 755

**\*Prayer**

**\*We Greet One Another**

## We Are Renewed by the Spirit

**Children's Blessing**

(Children in the Preschool Church Hour Class dismissed to Room 27.)

**Prayers of the People**

**We Present our Gifts & Offerings for:** The Lord's work through AACRC

**Choral Offertory:** *People of the Lord*

Red Hymnal 728

## We Are Fed by God's Word and Table

**Scripture Reading:** I Samuel 3:1-20

**Message: "Holy Conversation"**

**We Celebrate the Lord's Supper**

**Institution and Invitation**

**Communion**

This morning we celebrate communion. All who love Jesus Christ, trust in him alone for their salvation, and agree to be his disciple are invited to join with us in this celebration.

With thanks and joy, take the bread and dip it into the cup. If you are unable to proceed to the front of the sanctuary to partake of communion, remain seated and the elements will be brought to you.

\*Please stand if you are able.

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**Communion Songs:**

*God, Who Created Hearts to Love*

Red Hymnal 317:1,2,3,5

*Eat This Bread*

Red Hymnal 818

*Behold the Lamb*

Red Hymnal 840

**\*Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**We Go Out in God's Peace**

**\*We Receive God's Parting Blessing**

**\*Doxology:** *All Are Welcome*

Red Hymnal 269

**\*Postlude:** *I Love Your Church, O Lord*

Robert Powell

**Preacher:** Pastor Noah Livingston

**Pastors:** Ryan Boes, John Groen, Kristen Livingston, Noah Livingston

**Worship Leaders:** Victor Chen, Mike Wilson, Joe Yunkman,  
Veena Kulkarni, Nigel Fernandez, Dawn Zinsser, Jan Musch,  
AACRC Choir, Paul Herrema (choir director)

today

next sunday • Feb. 24

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## Sunday Morning • 9:30 am

- Preacher: Pastor Noah Livingston
- Scripture: I Samuel 3:1-20
- Big House Sunday: Sarah Thornburg with Friends In Deed
- Groen Farewell Event @ 5:00 PM

## Sunday Morning • 9:30 am

- Preacher: Pastor John Groen
- Scripture: I John

### New to Ann Arbor or AACRC?

- If you would like to be added to our weekly email, Connections, or have a mailbox assigned, please contact Rachel in the church office: [office@aacrc.org](mailto:office@aacrc.org).
- Have you heard about our House Groups? We would love to have you join us for a time of fellowship and studying God's Word in a small group format. Groups meet at various times. Contact Ross Weener for more information: [rweener@aacrc.org](mailto:rweener@aacrc.org).



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### Youth Faith Formation (10:50-11:50)

- Nursery (Infants through 2 years old)
- Preschool (3 and 4 year olds) in room 27
- Sonshine Singers (K/1st) in room 28, then dismissed directly to room 29
- Shepherd's Singers (2nd – 5th) in Room 23, then dismissed directly to rooms, room 21 (2nd/3rd) and room 22 (4th/5th)
- Savior Servant Singers (6th-12th) in room 19, then dismissed directly to rooms, room 13 (6th), room 12 (7th/8th), youth room (high school)

### Adult Faith Formation (10:50-11:50)

- Big House Sunday in room 24: Sarah Thornburg with Friends in Deed
- BESEL: Downstairs, room 17 study the Bible in English, sing Gospel songs in different languages with Mark Schult & Naomi Nah Schult, Yang Liu, Jukie Wilson.

# announcements & reminders

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## Big House Sunday: Today

Sarah Thornburg, Executive Director with Friends In Deed, shares an update on FID's work, as well as a look at the Circles program, which matches people in poverty with partners to build relationships and break the cycle of generational poverty by creating circles of support and connections with people who are committed to making real change in our community.

## Rotating Shelter Week #2

Sign up has begun for our second host week, **March 4-11**, for the Rotating Shelter program which is a part of the Shelter Association of Washtenaw County (<http://annarborshelter.org/>). This program involves hosting 25 men who are without a home at our church for one week. Volunteers will be needed to provide transportation, stay overnight, and provide snacks/meals for our guests at church.

*The volunteer sign-up for March 4-11 is available online (<https://bit.ly/2QshHXa>) and in the Fellowship Hall.*

We encourage you to prayerfully consider how you can participate in this Oikos ministry to our community. If you have any questions or want more information, please contact Todd Redder ([tredder@limno.com](mailto:tredder@limno.com)), Phil Palmbos ([ppalmbos@med.umich.edu](mailto:ppalmbos@med.umich.edu)) or Scott Stephenson ([jscottstephenson@gmail.com](mailto:jscottstephenson@gmail.com)).

## Urgent Needs in our Children's Ministry

- 1 Helper for the second and third grade Sunday school class

Please contact Mary Admiraal, Children's Ministry Coordinator, for additional details.

## Sunday School Collection Today!

Students may turn in their collection at the beginning of Sunday school today.

Our students are collecting their Sunday school tithes for World Renew's Passion Project, BEE-A-Life Changer (<https://www.myworldrenew.net/beealifechanger>). Our goal is to raise \$200.

## Opportunity to Participate in Piloting Faith and Life CETI Curriculum

Faith and Life, also known by its Spanish acronym CETI, is a curriculum developed by Jim and Ruth Padilla DeBorst focusing on the meaning and nature of Church. This program is one way for us as a community to talk about how our church vision informs our personal and corporate lives. We are looking for a small group of people to pilot the program and help adapt it to our church context. If you are interested in learning more or participating in the pilot project, please contact Peter Boldenow ([peter.boldenow@gmail.com](mailto:peter.boldenow@gmail.com)).

## Groen Farewell Event - TONIGHT!

Sunday, February 17, 2019 @ 5:00 PM

*Casual potluck dinner to follow with pulled chicken and dessert provided.*

**Please bring:** Your own table setting and a dish to pass (not dessert).



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### **New E-mail Addresses:**

Please use the following email addresses for John and Leanne Groen to keep in touch following John's retirement:

John - jadb7373@gmail

Leanne -leannegroen250@gmail.com

### **Community Assistance Program (Helpers, Vehicles, and Clothing Needed)**

CAP needs volunteers (4 or more), and vehicles (two or more minivans or trucks), to help deliver produce to their location in Detroit on the morning of Saturday, August 3, or the evening of Friday, August 2, if that is more convenient. After the delivery, the produce needs to be sorted into approximately 100 bags. If the work is done on a Saturday, it requires a pretty early start, but you typically can get back to Ann Arbor before 10:00am. This could be a great service project for a house group! Please contact Mark Doorlag at [mr.doorlag@gmail.com](mailto:mr.doorlag@gmail.com) if you are interested and/or would like more information.

Secondly, CAP needs your clothing! OK, we both know that there are some nice clothes, shoes, and etc... hanging around in your closets that you just haven't used in a very long time, and probably never will. It's time for you to bag or box that stuff up, and then, very conveniently, bring it to AACRC on a Sunday (or any other day for that matter). Once there, you can easily deposit it in the CAP closet that is located across from the bathrooms on the bottom floor of the building. CAP thanks you for your donation! Again, feel free to contact Mark Doorlag with any comments or questions.

### **Join the Co-ed Softball Team!**

Our church has a co-ed summer softball team that plays from May until July on Friday nights. We are in need of a few more female players this year to keep our team going. No previous experience is necessary, just a willingness to have fun and get ice cream. If you are interested, please talk with Victor Chen or e-mail him at [dr.vjchen@gmail.com](mailto:dr.vjchen@gmail.com) as soon as possible.

### **Family Life Services Gala**

You're invited to join Family Life Services at our annual gala as we celebrate a year of helping families bloom!

The Family Life Services Board of Directors invites you to pledge support and learn more about our works supporting women and families in Washtenaw County and beyond.

Enjoy dinner, a compelling speaker, client stories and entertainment. Please RSVP by Friday, March 1st at [flsfriends.com/annualgala/](http://flsfriends.com/annualgala/)

Questions? Please call or email:  
(734) 484-3088  
[development@flscenter](mailto:development@flscenter)

### **Volunteer Training with Family Life Services**

Dedicated to life? Come and join us for a morning full of pro-life learning, food, worship, fellowship and fun at Family Life Services Quarterly Volunteer Training on Saturday, March 2nd from 9:00am to 1:00pm at Knox Presbyterian Church in Ann Arbor. No registration, obligation or prior experience is needed for this fun and free event. We will take some time to worship and a potluck lunch will be provided. High schoolers aged 16, or older are welcome. For more information or an agenda, please call 734.434.3088 or email [volunteer@flscenter.com](mailto:volunteer@flscenter.com)

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## AACRC Weekly Calendar

### Today, February 17

9:30 AM Morning Worship  
10:50 AM Sunday School  
10:50 AM Big House Sunday  
5:00 PM Groen Farewell Event

### Monday, February 18

6:30 AM AA New Awakening  
11:00 AM InterVarsity Meeting  
6:30 PM Stephen Ministry  
7:30 PM Facilities Meeting  
7:30 PM Council Leadership Team

### Tuesday, February 19

6:30 AM AA New Awakening  
9:00 AM InterVarsity Meeting  
9:30 AM Coffee Break  
1:15 PM Coffee Break  
7:15 PM Praise Team Rehearsal

### Wednesday, February 20

6:30 AM AA New Awakening  
6:30 AM Men's Bible Study  
8:00 AM Men's Bible Study  
9:00 AM InterVarsity Meeting  
9:00 AM Side by Side  
5:45 PM Pizza Night  
6:30 PM GEMS/Cadets/Roots  
7:00 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, February 21

6:30 AM AA New Awakening  
10:00 AM Crafters  
10:00 AM Morning Prayer Group  
6:45 PM New Life  
7:00 PM Friendship Ministry

### Friday, February 22

6:30 AM AA New Awakening

### Saturday, February 23

9:30 AM YogaFaithShalom Class

### Sunday, February 24

9:30 AM Morning Worship  
10:50 AM Sunday School  
10:50 AM House Groups  
11:10 AM Soup Group

## Assisting This Week 2/17

### Coffee Servers

9:30 Dane & Sarah Peterson  
Ron & Sue Holdaway-Heys

### Nursery

9:30 Sue De Zeeuw,  
Mark & Leslie Doorlag  
SS Claudia Larson, Peterson

### Preschool Church Hour

9:30 Rita Aagenas,  
Nicole Michmerhuizen,  
Johanna Lautenbach

### Communion Servers

9:30 Larry & Ruth Mieras  
Dave & Marilyn McLaughlin

## Assisting Next Week 2/24

### Coffee Servers

9:30 Don & Jen Ruth  
Grant & Sarita Schoenebeck

### Nursery

9:30 Kellie Steen  
Nicole Michmerhuizen  
SS Geerlings

### Preschool Church Hour

9:30 Debbie Bigelow, Mary Herrema,  
Kira Brehob, Kate Van Ee

### Communion Servers

9:30 Norm & Barb Fichtenberg  
Matt Admiraal, Tim Johnson



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**WISH, West Indies Self Help, Inc. – La Gonave, Haiti**  
**Robin & Beth Churchill**



From Robin - I have written much about the WISH Library or as it has come to be known, the WISH Resource Center, as we hope it is very much a resource center for the community. There are various groups who use the main downstairs room for a large meeting space and women who gather weekly to use the sewing machines given to WISH. We also have youth who are anxious to increase their computer knowledge by working on laptops so generously donated. There are students who come to enjoy the quiet space and use the books for their studies. We are also pleased with the increasing children's

programs that are starting to become known and loved.

As always, one of the challenges is using this resource to support the community and not to take away from services already offered in the community. My goal this spring is to catalog all of the inventory in an electronic form. That way, we can strategically add to the resources in a way that truly serves the community of users. We also plan to add to existing children's programs as each week we turn away older children from our story time. This is an exciting ministry of WISH and we are so thankful for your continued prayer and financial support

#### **PRAISE**

- Thankful for a wonderful time with family in the US and Canada.
- Thankful for the faithfulness of the WISH staff as they continue to work to improve their community.
- Thankful for the excitement of the kids as they engage with books at the library.

#### **PRAYER**

- Pray for the country of Haiti as there are troubling gas shortages that affect everybody. Pray for a peaceful solution.
- Pray for Robin as he leads WISH that he will be guided by grace and wisdom as he prioritizes projects.
- Pray for Peterson as he continues to work on his plans for post high school.