



Sunday Worship Service

February 27, 2022

Welcome visitors, we are glad you are here! Please take time to fill out the welcome card in the pew to place in the offering basket and look for the welcome sign after church in the atrium during our time of fellowship so we can meet you!

Gathering

Prelude: “God Himself is With Us”

arr. Mueller

***Welcome**

Amy Goorman

***Greeting from God and Mutual Greetings**

Rev. Wayne Brouwer

***Opening Song:** “Open the Eyes of My Heart, Lord”

LUYH 537

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord; open the eyes of my heart.

I want to see You, I want to see You. (Repeat)

To see You high and lifted up, shining in the light of your glory.

Pour out your power and love, as we sing holy, holy, holy.

Holy, holy, holy. Holy, holy, holy.

Holy, holy, holy. I want to see you. (Repeat)

***Call to Worship:**

Almighty and loving God, you have given us eyes to see the light that fills this room; give us the inward vision to behold you in this place. You have made us feel the morning wind upon our limbs; help us to sense your presence as we bow in worship of you.

***Opening Hymn of Praise:** “God Himself Is With Us”

LUYH 565 v 1, 3

God himself is with us: let us now adore him, and with awe appear before him.

God is in his temple; all within keep silence, prostrate lie with deepest reverence.

Him alone do we own as our God and Savior; praise his name forever.

Fount of every blessing, purify my spirit; trusting only in your merit.
Like the holy angels who behold your glory, may I ceaselessly adore you,
and in all, great and small, seek to do most nearly what you love so dearly.

Service of Confession

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession:

Our world offers many wide avenues and beautiful boulevards to walk;
But you, God, call us to walk the narrow road of service and sacrifice.

Our society suggests we put down our roots in the shallow soil of pleasure and greed.
**But you, our God, ask us to put down deep roots in the banks of hope,
watered by the rivers of joy and grace.**

Our culture promotes achievement, success, climbing to the top, ringing the bell.
But you, God, tell us if we want to be first, we need to go to the end of the line.

In your mercy, forgive us when we fail to heed your loving guidance.
**Help us listen and obey. Purify us with your holy fire and make us your servants
in this world.**

Sung Prayer of Dedication: “Purify My Heart”

Jeff Nelson

Purify my heart; touch me with Your cleansing fire.
Take me to the cross; your holiness is my desire.
Breathe Your life in me;
kindle a love that flows from Your throne.
Oh purify my heart. Purify my heart.

Words of Assurance:

As we become doers of the word and not merely hearers, we discover that it is “in pardoning that we are pardoned, in giving of ourselves that we receive”—surely evidence of “the implanted word that has the power to save our souls” – Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

Thanks be to God!

Service of the Word

Children Sent to Walkout Worship

***Sung Prayer for Illumination:** "Lord We Hear Your Word With Gladness" LUYH 766 v 1,2

Lord, we hear your Word with gladness: you have spoken - we rejoice:
words of love and life and freedom - help us make their truth our choice!
Now in holy celebration for your Word we worship you;
spoken, written, known in Jesus, ours today to prove anew.

May we hear with understanding, by your Spirit taught and led.
May the springs of all our being by your living Word be fed.
May our hearts accept with meekness all the grace your light makes known.
May obedience mark our footsteps till we make each word our own.

Scripture Reading: James 1: 19-27

Sermon: "Becoming Our Truest Selves"

Rev. Wayne Brouwer

***Hymn of Application:** "We Are Called"

LUYH 296

Come! Live in the light! Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord!
We are called to be light for the kingdom, to live in the freedom of the city of God.

Refrain: We are called to act with justice, we are called to love tenderly;
we are called to serve one another, to walk humbly with God.

Come! Open your heart! Show your mercy to all those in fear!
We are called to be hope for the hopeless so hatred and blindness will be no more.
(Refrain)

Sing! Sing a new song! Sing of that great day when all will be one!
God will reign, and we'll walk with each other as sisters and brothers united in love.
(Refrain)

Prayers of the People

Rob Wagenmaker

*Sending Song: "Lord, Speak to Me that I May Speak"

LUYH 754 v 4, 5

Oh, fill me with your fullness, Lord, until my very hearts o'erflows
In kindling thought and glowing word, Your love to tell, your praise to show.

Oh, use me, Lord, use even me, just as you will, and when, and where
until your blessed face I see, Your rest, your joy, your glory share.

*Benediction

Council Nomination Process

Julie Hordyk

Postlude: "Lord, Speak to Me, that I May Speak"

arr. Jordan

Participants:

Rev. Brouwer, preacher
Julie Hordyk, pianist
Cathy Schaaf, organist
David Brace and Amy Goorman, vocalists
Karen Katje, flutist
Cal Keuning, drums
Rob Wagenmaker, prayers of the people
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Credits & Liturgical Notes:

- **Prayer of Confession:** written by Thom Shuman, and posted on Lectionary Liturgies.
- **Words of Assurance:** written by Moira Laidlaw, and posted on Liturgies Online.

Questions following the sermon:

We make choices about how we will live and act every moment of every day. What guides our decisions? Who do we want to be? What identity do we wish to project? How do we become our truest selves? How might we determine what that person is or ought to be? James guides us through some challenging reflections on how we redefine ourselves from day to day.

[Volunteer Schedule:](#)

February 27

Projection: Dan Braak

Video: Chuck DeWitt, Jason Zuidema, Jay Brace, Ethan Hodge

Ushers: Rotman (Team 9) Eric Rotman, Ron Fratz, Dave VanderWall, Jason Zuidema

Coffee Hosts: Jill Gallagher and Barb Hammond, Jeff and Deborah Erickson

Nursery: Rosemary Geertsma, Mary Winkle

Little Lambs: Amy Wolffis, Ann Koch

Walk Out Worship: Rob and Joslyn Wagenmaker, Claire Clapp

Greeters: Garrison Koch, Joel and Greta Hoekstra

Offering: Mobility Worldwide (West Michigan)

March 6

Projection: Eric Wolffis

Video: Jay Brace, Jim Query, Dirk Weesies, Jacob Weesies

Ushers: DeWitt (Team 10) Chuck DeWitt, Mike Katje, Ron Retsema, Dennis Schaaf

Coffee Hosts: Brian and Barb Fritz, Curt and Mary DeJongh

Nursery: Cathy Brolick, Cindy Brace

Little Lambs: Emily Bierma, Lyndsey Huisman

Walk Out Worship: Rob or Joslyn Wagenmaker, Claire Clapp

Greeters: Rick Geertsma, Dan and Cheri Holtrop

Offering: West Michigan Team Challenge

Next week we will have Rev. Wayne Kelderman preaching on Luke 6: 17-26.

Calendar

Sunday, February 27

10:00 a.m.—Church Service

6:30 p.m. —FOCUS

Monday, February 28

1:30 p.m. - Ping Pong

Tuesday, March 1

9 a.m.- 1 p.m.- Office Hours

Wednesday, March 2

9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.- Office Hours

10:00 - 12:00 noon - Parish Nurse

1:00 p.m.- Knitter's Club in the Parlor

7:00- Ash Wednesday Service

7:00 p.m. —CHAOS

Thursday, March 3

9:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m.- Office Hours

6:00 p.m.— Love in Action Activities

Friday, March 4

9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.- Office Hours

Saturday, March 5

10 a.m.— Drawing Workshop

Sunday, March 6

10:00 a.m.—Church Service

11:15 a.m.—Adult Enrichment

6:30 p.m.- FOCUS

For more information on current events,
please visit our website:
secondcrcgrandhaven.org

Announcements:

Mark your calendars! We are having an **Ash Wednesday Service** on March 2 at 7 pm. We hope you are able to join!

The **Drawing Workshop** in November with Agnes Fisher was such a good time that they have decided to have another! If you've ever wanted to learn to draw, been wanting to hone your existing skills, or just looking to break up this long Michigan winter, join us at Second Church on Saturday, March 5, for our second drawing workshop. **Please note the date change!** We'll gather in the North Hall from 10:00 a.m. to noon. There is a \$10 participation fee and a supply list will be provided. For more info or to sign up, please contact Patrice Frantz (616)847-4074 or look for the sign up sheet at the information kiosk in the atrium.

SEARCH COMMITTEE: The Search Committee met for the first time on Feb 23, with Pastor Kelderman providing sage counsel. The committee will meet on March 7, March 23 and April 6. Pray for wisdom, guidance and for the Spirit to move in our next Pastor's heart as the team continues its work. As a reminder, the search committee is comprised of Jim Warners, Sydney Fritz, Cal Keuming, Cindy Brace, Joe Risselade, Jacob Weesies, Jason Zuidema, Jane DeGroot, Curt DeJongh and Jamie Goorman. If anyone has questions about the process, please feel free to reach out to any of the committee members.

The **Sanctuary Choir** will be meeting in March to practice for upcoming Sundays. Anyone high school age or older is welcome to join. The rehearsals will be March 1st, 15th, 22nd, and 29th at 7 pm.

Need to reach **Pastor David Zuidema**? His email address is interimpastor@secondcrcgrandhaven.org and his phone number is **616 842 1036**.

Prayer Requests and Praises:

Schuitmans: We praise God for the good news Jean received following the biopsy. We keep Jim in our prayers that the cancer doesn't spread in the next few weeks.

Char Ter Haar is making great improvements following her surgery. Prayers that she gains strength and is able to sleep comfortably!

Prayers for **Ken Westveld** as he heals following surgery.

Our prayers are with the **Vander Heide Family** as they mourn the loss of Jane.

We will keep the **Marotti and Shaver family** in our prayers as they mourn the loss of Carl.

Council Structure

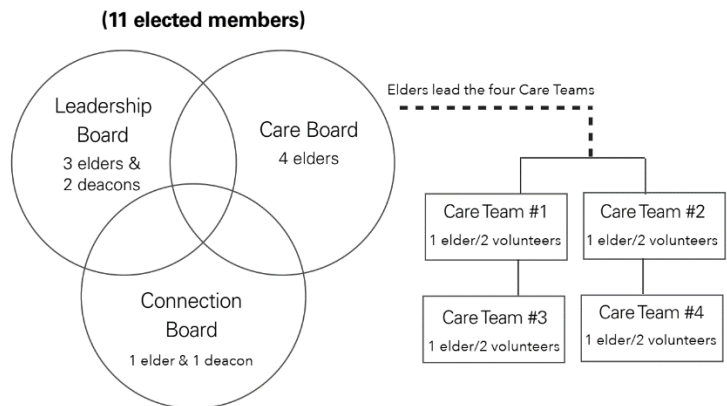
Council:

Leadership Board:

Jan Zuidema, President
Jeff Erickson, Treasurer
Mike Katje, Clerk
Glenn Gronewelt
John Rycenga

Connection Board:

Julie Hordyk
David Brace



Care Teams:

District 1: Jim Van Orman/Jim Winkle (Elders) Mary Winkle, Shirley Good
District 2: Garrison Koch (Elder), Norma Schuitema, Sharon Walters
District 3: Amy Goorman (Elder), Marilyn Bolt, Carl Vertregt
District 4: Rick Geertsma (Elder), Marie Rycenga, Jan Veenstra