

Sunday Worship Service May 22, 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!

God Calls Us Into Worship

Prelude: "Beautiful Savior" arr. Haan

Welcome

*Call to Worship

The invitation is given to every person by Jesus Christ:

"Come to me! Follow me! Be my disciples!"

We come to this place, to this time, at the invitation of Jesus Christ.

In the name of Christ, we accept the invitation to discipleship.

In the name of Christ, as his disciples, we worship and praise God. In the midst of a world where cruelty abounds, we proclaim the God of compassion.

In the midst of despair that threatens to swallow up whole lives and whole peoples, we proclaim the God of Hope.

In the midst of indifference and apathy, we proclaim the God of Love.

Come, let us worship together and share our witness of God's living presence in the world.

*Opening Hymns: "Sing Praise to the Lord, You People of Grace"
"Beautiful Savior"

LUYH 7 v 1,2,4 LUYH 17 v 1, 4

*God's Greeting & Mutual Greeting

We Reconcile With God

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

God of the empty tomb and a rolled stone and resurrection, for some it is easy to believe; for others it is foolishness. But we wonder what might be possible.

And God, if love is the greatest power in the universe, we wonder what might be possible.

If love chooses to carry on loving even those who try and kill it, what might be possible?

And if love decides to give of itself for the sake of others, what might be possible?

So in our wonder and our longing for such a love as this, may we dare to believe in what seems impossible, and dare to live impossible lives that hope beyond death, but believe in life before death.

May we live this kind of love that dares to work for justice and the fullness of life for everyone; dare to work for peace and the fullness of peace for everyone; because we believe in love, which has become the most powerful thing in the universe because it gives of itself.

God, may we make time this season of renewal and life to wonder what love might make possible in us. Amen.

Words of Assurance

The blame forgotten, shame covered, Peter leapt into the sea. Where tears once drowned hope and denials became despair and self loathing, now eyes had seen that figure on the shore. Peter would make it to the shore.
Three times denied.
Three times invited to love again
by him who three times prayed his own despair
and, three times mocked 'mid three crosses,
in three days He rose to resurrect Peter.

Peter made it to the shore.

Others made it to the shore.
They ate together,
a fellowship of grace and rehabilitation,
of forgiveness and hope,
a symbol of the persistence of divine love,
also for all of us.

Song of Assurance: "How Deep the Father's Love For Us"

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How deep the Father's love for us, How vast beyond all measure That He should give His only Son To make a wretch His treasure It was my sin that left Him there
Until it was accomplished
His dying breath has brought me life
I know that it is finished

How great the pain of searing loss, The Father turns His face away As wounds which mar the chosen One, Bring many sons to glory I will not boast in anything No gifts, no power, no wisdom But I will boast in Jesus Christ His death and resurrection

Behold the Man upon a cross, My sin upon His shoulders Ashamed I hear my mocking voice, Call out among the scoffers Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer But this I know with all my heart His wounds have paid my ransom

God Speaks to Us

Children Leave for Walkout Worship

Sung Prayer for Illumination: "Ancient Words"

LUYH 762

Scripture Reading: John 21:1-14

Sermon: "Always" Rev. Scott Hoezee

*Hymn of Application: "Will You Come and Follow Me" LUYH 742 V 1,4,5

We Respond to God

Prayer of the People

Offering: "Jesus Calls Us"

arr. Wood

Ken Terr

Ministry Moment: Celebration of Graduates

We are gathered together to celebrate our graduates. One part of your life's journey is complete. You will prepare to begin another phase

that will take you to unimaginable places.

We give blessings to you for all that you have achieved and many more achievements yet to come.

As you prepare for your next journey, we hope that you remember the ones you leave behind, who have loved and supported you throughout the years.

We give you blessings of good will and love as you journey forth into the world.
We thank you for the laughter and fellowship that you have shared with us and pray that as you begin your next journey, remember the times that we all have shared with you.

Use those memories as a beacon to guide you on your path. Don't look back; continue only forward, while using those memories to create a new path.

We pray that God will give you strength and determination to develop new relationships that will help to strengthen and sustain your faith.

Because we are made in the image of God we have been blessed with free will to make choices and decisions.

Rob Wagonmaker

We pray that you make wise and rational decisions, always turning to God for help.
God hears, God listens, God is always with you.
Do not forget that.
Always keep in mind that God is around and if you turn to him, he will guide you.

God Sends Us to Serve In His Light and Love

*Benediction

*Doxology: "Lord, Dismiss Us With Your Blessing" LUYH 933

Postlude: "Allegro" Handel/arr Whitford

Participants:

Rev. Scott Hoezee, preacher Cathy Schaaf, organist Jan Zuidema, pianist Ken Terpstra, prayer of the people OneLicense.net #A-721176 CCLI#775073

Credits & Liturgical Notes:

- Call to worship: ~ from the On Earth Peace website. Used by permission.
- Prayer of confession: ~ written by Roddy Hamilton, and posted on Mucky Paws. Used by permission.
- Words of Assurance: ~ written by William Loader, and posted on Bill Loader's Home Page. Used by permission.
- Graduation Litany: from Episcopal Life Weekly, posted on the Church Publishing website.

We display all music and congregational readings on the screen. LUYH (red hymnal) and SNC (green) are located in the pew rack; CH (brown) is located under the seat. Large print bulletins are available in the narthex.

If you would like to receive our weekly digital newsletter, and have not been getting it, please call the office at 842-0710.

Announcements:

The **SWAN'S** will meet for breakfast at the Pine Street Cafe in Ferrysburg on Wednesday morning at 9:30 AM on May 25.

Today, following the worship service, Cara Mazure, from the **Children's Advocacy Center** (Holland) will be presenting "Five Steps to Protect Children," for Adult Education in the sanctuary. All adults 18 and older are encouraged to attend this valuable training about what can be done to prevent child abuse and how to respond when it does occur. If you are a current volunteer or staff that interacts with children and/or vulnerable adults, or if you anticipate starting to work in that capacity, your presence is required at this training. Thank you for attending! Registration is not required to attend. The training will last approximately one hour.

Parents, summer is almost here and we know that many of your kids have plans to attend **summer camp** this year. We would love to keep in touch with them while they are away. Would you please call or email Emily, or leave a note on her desk with your child's name, when they will be at camp, and the address of the camp. Praying that all of our kids have a safe and enjoyable summer.

Summer office hours will begin soon. After Memorial Day the office will be open Mondays and Tuesdays 1-4, Wednesday 9-12, and Thursday 1-4.

Your **Outreach Team** invites you to pick up a "Blessings In A Bag" after church service! Before your summer travels begin, have one in your car for that moment to bless another. See one of the team (Greta H., Mary E., Steve M., Joan Q.) for more information. Watch for them at coffee time or stop by the church office during the week to sign one out!

Vacation Bible School: VBS is right around the corner! Second CRC is welcoming kids from the community as well as members of our congregation for a week! You will find it to be a rewarding time being around kids and seeing them get excited for Christ. Please consider volunteering in some capacity. Visit the welcome desk to sign up. Need more info? Reach out to Rob Wagenmaker - rwagenmaker@hotmail.com or 616.638.0976.

Sanctuary Choir: All singers, high school age or up, are invited to sing for Pentecost, June 5. The next rehearsal will be at 7 p.m. on May 31

The Connection Board extends a heartfelt **thank you** to everyone who was able to attend the potluck on May 15! We had a wonderful time of fellowship and connecting with each

other. Special thanks to the many volunteers who helped with setup and cleanup. As the event was winding, down, many people asked, "When can we do this again?" The answer is Sunday, August 21 at Pottawattamie Park. Mark your calendars and stay tuned for more details later this summer.

Prayer: Our church and the greater CRC are both experiencing times of change and challenge. Please consider joining others from Second Church as we pray for God's direction. We will be in the Adult Education Room (downstairs) from 9:00 to 9:30 am, every Sunday ending June 12. Join us when you can, there is no obligation to attend every week. Questions? Contact Jane DeGroot at (616) 402-5689 or janehdegroot@charter.net.

Praise and Prayer Requests

Joyce Dark Continue to pray for healing for Joyce Dark. She remains at Rest Haven for rehab. If you would like to send cards to Joyce at Rest Haven the address is: Rest Haven Care Center, 280 West 40th St, Holland, MI 49423.

Please continue to pray for **Ken Westveld**. Ken remains in Holland Hospital. He was moved today from ICU to a "step down" unit where he continues to receive treatment for an infection.

Jim and Jean Schuitman are making positive steps along their health journey. Jim has had 2 cycles of chemo in hopefully 6 in the clinical trial. His cancer numbers have come down by amazing numbers. Such a miracle and answer to prayer. She will now consider the next part of her treatment. Both of them continue to be so grateful for this congregation as you continue to nourish their spirits and bodies through food, cards, calls, and most importantly prayers.

Volunteer Schedule:

May 22

Projection: Eric Wolffis

Video: Harley Dyk, Jason Zuidema, Jay

Brace, Ethan Hodge

Ushers: DeWitt (Team 10) Chuck DeWitt, Mike Katje, Ron Retsema, Dennis Schaaf **Coffee Hosts:** David and Susan Hoekema.

Art and Marilyn Bolt

Nursery: Cathy Brolick, Cindy Brace **Little Lambs:** Manette DeYoung, Ann

Koch

Walk Out Worship: Rob or Joslyn Wagenmaker, Yasmin Vanderheide

Greeters: Garrison Koch, Les and Bern

Lewis

Offering: Faith Promise: New City Kids in

Grand Rapids

May 29

Projection: Dan Braak

Video: Chuck DeWitt, Ben McCarthy, Dirk

Weesies, Harley Dyk

Ushers: Mulder (Team 11) Jim Mulder, Jon

Mulder, John Rycenga, Carl Vertregt Coffee Hosts: Doug and Jan Zuidema Nursery and Little Lambs Combined:

Ruth Marotti, Jenny Steigenga Walk Out Worship: Emily Bierma,

Zuidema Girl

Greeters: Steve and Ruth Marotti **Offering:** Elim Christian Services

Sunday, May 22

9 a.m. Prayer Time Downstairs

10:00 a.m.—Church Service 11:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m. -Children's

Advocacy Center Training

Monday, May 23

1:30 p.m. - Ping Pong

Tuesday, May 24

9 a.m.- 1 p.m.- Office Hours 7 p.m.-Friendship Club Concert

Wednesday, May 25

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

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon - Parish Nurse 1:00 p.m.- Knitter's Club in the Parlor

Thursday, May 26

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

6:00 p.m.- Love in Action Activities

Friday, May 27

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

Saturday, May 28

Sunday, May 29

9 a.m. Prayer Time Downstairs 10:00 a.m.—Church Service

*Next Sunday we welcome Rev. Wayne Brouwer.

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

Calendar:



Highschool Graduates



Ava Rotman is graduating from Western Michigan Christian and attending Michigan State University for Landscape Architecture.



Sam Vander Heide is graduating from Spring Lake high school and will be attending Palm Beach Atlantic University in August and plans to study business.

College Graduates

Owen Alfree graduated from Calvin University with degrees in Marketing and Entrepreneurship.

Sarah Keuning graduated from Calvin University with a bachelors in Bio-Chem. She is working as a researcher at VanAndel Institute in GR and just applied for graduate school at the University of Florida. Praying she gets accepted to the program.

Sam Braak graduated with a bachelor's in biochemistry and neuroscience. He is doing a gap year before applying for med school. He is currently working in the fields of chemistry and biochemistry.

Annika Erickson recently graduated from the University of Michigan with a Bachelor of Arts in Economics. She will continue on at the University of Michigan's Ross School of Business to get a Master of Accounting in the fall.

8th Grade Graduates

Alia Zuidema is graduating from Grand Haven Christian and excited to head to Western Michigan Christian High School this fall.