



The Installation Service of

Rev. Tim Blackmon

Second Christian Reformed Church

August 7, 2022

To all who are weary and need rest,
To all who mourn and long for comfort,
To all who feel worthless and wonder if God cares,
To all who fail and desire strength,
To all who sin and need a Savior,
This church opens wide her doors with a welcome from Jesus Christ, the Ally of his enemies, the Defender of the guilty, the Justifier of the inexcusable, the Friend of sinners.
Welcome.



Welcome visitors, we are glad you are here! Please fill out a welcome card (found in the pew rack) and place it in the offering basket if you would like to learn more about Second CRC. Also, please look for the welcome sign after church during coffee time so we can meet you!

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God Calls Us Into Worship

Prelude: "Praise Him! Praise Him!"
"Laudamus Te" (We Praise Thee)

Allen/arr.Kelley
Mueller

Sing: "Praise to the Lord the Almighty"

LUYH 575

Welcome

Rev. David Zuidema

Call to Worship

O Lord, our God, how majestic is your name in all the earth!
Your voice causes the sea to roar and the wind to howl You have set your glory above the heavens.
The moon and the stars sing your praises.
What are human beings that you are mindful of us?
Who are we that you care for us?
Yet you have made us a little lower than God.
You have crowned us with glory and honor.
O Lord, our God, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

***Sing:** "All Creatures of Our God and King"

LUYH 551

We ask God's Blessing

Litany of Installation

Dan Haase

God the Father
Have mercy on us.

God the Son
Have mercy on us.

God the Holy Spirit
Have mercy on us.

Holy Trinity, one God
Have mercy on us.

We pray to you, Lord Christ
Lord, hear our prayer.

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the Day of your Coming, we pray to you, O Lord

Lord, hear our prayer

For all members of your Church in their vocation and ministry, that they may serve you in a true and godly life, we pray to you, O Lord

Lord, hear our prayer.

For all our pastors, elders and deacons, that they may be filled with your love, may hunger for truth, and may thirst after righteousness, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For Pastor Tim in this, your Church, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

That he may faithfully fulfill the duties of this ministry, build up your Church, and glorify your Name, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

That by the indwelling of the Holy Spirit he may be sustained and encouraged to persevere to the end, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For his family, that they may be adorned with all Christian virtues, we pray to you,
O Lord

Lord, hear our prayer.

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For those who do not yet believe, and for those who have lost their faith, that they may receive the light of the Gospel, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For those in positions of public trust, especially for Catherine our Mayor, Gretchen our Governor and Joe, our president, that they may serve justice and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you,
O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For a blessing upon all human labor, and for the right use of the riches of creation, that the world may be freed from poverty, famine, and disaster, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord....**Lord, hear our prayer.**

For ourselves; for the forgiveness of our sins, and for the grace of the Holy Spirit to amend our lives, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For all who have died in the communion of your Church, particularly for the Mulder family, and for those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Rejoicing in the fellowship of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God. To you, O Lord our God. **Amen.**

***Sing:** "Behold Our God"

Baird/Altrogge

Who has held the oceans in His hands? Who has numbered every grain of sand?
Kings and nations tremble at his voice. All creation rises to rejoice.

Chorus: Behold our God seated on His throne. Come, let us adore Him.
Behold our King, nothing can compare, come, let us adore Him!

Who has given counsel to the Lord? Who can question any of His words?
Who can teach the One who knows all things, who can fathom all his wondrous
deeds? (Chorus)

Who has felt the nails upon His hands, bearing all the guilt of sinful man?
God eternal, humbled to the grave, Jesus, Savior, risen now to reign! (Chorus)

You will reign forever. Let your glory fill the earth. (Chorus)

God Speaks to Us

Prayer for Illumination

Erik Veker

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 40:27-31

Sing: "Speak O Lord"

LUYH 755

New Testament Reading: Romans 15:8-13

Vashon Moore

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon: "A Community of Hope in a World of Fear"

Rev. Dr. Ray Ortlund Jr.

***Hymn of Application:** "Living Hope"

Wickham

How great the chasm that lay between us.
How high the mountain I could not climb.
In desperation I turned to heaven and spoke your name into the night.

Then through the darkness your lovingkindness
tore through the shadows of my soul.
The work is finished, the end is written. Jesus Christ, my living hope.

Refrain: Hallelujah, praise the One who set me free!
Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me!
You have broken every chain. There's salvation in your name. Jesus Christ, my living hope.

Who could imagine so great a mercy?
What heart could fathom such boundless grace?
The God of ages stepped down from glory to wear my sin and bear my shame.
The cross has spoken; I am forgiven.
The King of kings calls me his own.
Beautiful Savior, I'm yours forever. Jesus Christ, my living hope. (Refrain)

Then came the morning that sealed the promise,
Your buried body began to breathe.
Out of the silence, the Roaring Lion declared the grave has no claim on me
Jesus, yours is the victory! (Refrain).

God Calls Ministers for His Purpose

Rev. Dave Beelen

The Introduction

The Instruction

The Questions

To the congregation

Dear congregation of Christ:

Do you in the name of the Lord welcome this brother as your minister and pastor?

Do you promise to take to heart the Word of God as he proclaims it? Do you promise to pray for him, to share with him in the work of his ministry, to encourage him in the exercise of his tasks, and to respond to his work with obedience, love, and respect?

Congregation, what is your answer?

Answer: We do, God helping us.

Charge to the Congregation:

What do you believe about the Christian faith?

*The Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:**

**by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Charge to the Pastor:

Bishop Stewart Ruch III

Prayers of Intercession and Laying on of hands:

All ministers of the Word are invited to come forward

The Passing of the Peace:

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you
And also with you

Rev. Tim Blackmon

We Respond in Gratitude to God

Greeting from Council and Announcements

Elder Dan Meindertsma

Offering and Offertory "How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place"

Carter

Sing: "He Will Hold Me Fast"

Getty

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast;
When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast.
I could never keep my hold through life's fearful path;
For my love is often cold: He must hold me fast.

Refrain: He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast:
For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast.

Those He saves are His delight, Christ will hold me fast;
Precious in his holy sight, He will hold me fast.
He'll not let me soul be lost; His promises shall last:
Bought by Him as such a cost, He will hold me fast. (Refrain)

For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast;
Justice has been satisfied; He will hold me fast.
Raised with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast
'Till our faith is turned to sight, when He comes at last! (Refrain)

God Sends Us to Serve In His Light and Love

*Benediction

Rev. Dr. Ray Ortlund Jr.

*Sending/Doxology Song: "Go to the World"

LUYH 925

Postlude: "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

Participants:

Rev. Dr. Ray Ortlund Jr., preacher
Jan Zuidema, pianist
Jean Schuitman, organist
Dana Olsen, soloist
Paul LaMaire and Jeff Erickson, trumpets
Cal Keuning, percussion
Curt DeJongh, Annika Erickson, Patrice Frantz, Paul LaMaire, Vocalists
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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.

From the desk of Pastor Tim: In the beginning of the gospel of Mark we read about four friends bringing a paralytic man to Jesus. While they are not named, the text says, "And they came, bringing to him a paralytic carried by four men." (Mark 2:3) In more ways than I can recount, this has been our story of the last few years. We have been surrounded by friends, who through their encouragement, support and prayers, have brought us to Jesus.

Today, some of these friends are participating in this service and can be named:

Dan Haase is Associate Lecturer and Department Chair of Christian Formation & Ministry, at Wheaton College. We cannot imagine a more faithful friend, persistent intercessor and courageous collaborator.

Vashon Moore and **Erik Veker** are friends for life, and both deeply love the Scriptures.

Rev. Dr. Ray Ortlund Jr. Ray is a pastor, seminary professor and author. Ray shows up on my phone with the moniker Ray "Living Stimulant" Ortlund. This is because his life's mission is to be a living stimulant for the gospel of Jesus Christ. Ray has been married to Jani for over fifty years and together they pastor pastors all over the world. Ray is one of the main reasons why we are now returning to pastoral ministry in the church.

Rev. Dave Beelen When Betsy and I first met in 1991, we joined Madison Square Church in Grand Rapids, MI. Dave pastored Madison from 1982-2020. Dave not only officiated at our wedding in 1994 but has been a faithful friend and mentor. His pastoral ministry has made a deep impact on us.

Bishop Stewart Ruch III Stewart has been our pastor and friend since 2015. He is the Bishop of the Anglican Diocese of the Upper Midwest (ACNA) and has been the rector of Church of the Resurrection in Wheaton, IL. We have deep affection and the utmost respect for Stewart and Katherine. For the last seven years at Church of the Resurrection, our family has had a front row seat of a revival of Word and Sacrament infused by the Holy Spirit. Their commitment to church planting, to raising up the next generation of leaders, and to passionately pursuing the presence of God, has changed our lives forever.

Announcements:

Please plan to stay after the service for a special time of fellowship planned to celebrate Rev. Blackmon. We will have appetizers, treats, coffee, and lemonade. We hope you are able to join!

It's time for the **Summer Potluck!!** When: August 21st Time: 12:00 to 12:30 - Hospitality Time, 12:30 to 2:30 – Potluck. The Connection Board is hosting a potluck luncheon at Pottowattomi Park after the morning service at 12:00pm. There will be pulled pork BBQ and drinks provided. If you're in District 1 or 2, please bring a dessert to share. If you're in District 3 or 4, please bring a side. (You can find your district number in parentheses behind your name in the church directory.) Please complete the sign up slip in the bulletin by August 14th and place in the basket you'll find on Emily's desk in the office so we know how many people can attend. (Or call / e-mail Emily at the office.) We're looking for a few volunteers to help set-up at 11:30 and then with a few clean-up details at 2:30. Let Jim Query or Dave Brace know if you're available. We're looking forward to sharing time of casual fellowship together!

The August meeting for the **SWANS** will be on August 17, Wednesday morning at the Museum of Art in Muskegon at 11 a.m. The “Dressing the Abby” Lunch will be at the Toast and Jam in Muskegon. Please call or email Ione with any questions.

From Rob: I would like to invite your kids and friends (**6th - 12th grade**) to spend a day at **Michigan's Adventure** on Friday August 19. We will leave church at 10:00 and be home around 7:30. Cost will be \$40.00 per person. This includes transportation, the park ticket, and a meal plan, entre and side that resets every 90 minutes. Please let me know by August 9 if your child and any friends will be joining us. In any church event if cost is ever an issue, please let me know. We never want cost to ever stop anyone from joining us.

From the Full Council – the care needs in the church are substantial right now, but are being met by our care board elders, care team volunteers and so many generous members. Thank you to all the volunteers in our congregation for stepping up with prayers, meals and visits! “ We always thank God for all of you and continually mention you in our prayers. We remember before our God and Father your work produced by faith, your labor prompted by love and your endurance inspired by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.”

The **Garden Club** will meet on Tuesday, August 9th at 9:30, at the garden of Connie Melaik, 17740 Cobblefield Lane, Spring Lake. Meet at church at 9:15 if you would like to carpool.

Second CRC riding for New City Kids! Cheer on our team on this Saturday, August 13, around 10:30 a.m. as they arrive at Second CRC Grand Haven from Grand Rapids. Show your enthusiastic support for our Faith Promise Partners by cheering them on and donating now to our team through their website www.newcitykids.org/biketour or through Second CRC. Be sure to indicate our TEAM name: Second CRC Riding for New City Kids! More riders are welcome! Contact David Hoekema or Henk Ottens for more details! Thank you!

Reminder: the virtual training for all volunteers working with children & vulnerable adults is scheduled for this Tuesday, August 9 at 6:30 pm. Register with the **Children's Advocacy Center** (website link here). Contact Jane DeGroot 616 402-5689 with questions.

The Ball Brothers in Concert Ferrysburg Community Church is presenting a concert featuring The Ball Brothers! The Ball Brothers work to spread the message of the Gospel and encourage believers by presenting a mix of musical styles, melted together by four-part harmony. Plan to join us Sunday, August 28, at 6:00PM at 17785 Mohawk Drive in Spring Lake. For further information, please call the church at 616-842-3880 or the Schaafs at 231-206-2964.

Volunteer Schedule:

August 7

Projection: Dan Braak

Video: Chuck DeWitt, Jim Query, Dirk Weesies, Jacob Weesies

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

Coffee Hosts: Jim and Dawn Sacks, John and Marie Rycenga

Nursery: Jane DeGroot, Dawn Rotman, Ruth Marotti

Little Lambs: Emily Bierma, Mary Terpstra

Greeters: David Brace, Joe and Paula Risselade

Offering: Friendship Ministries

August 14

Projection: Ben McCarthy

Video: Chuck DeWitt, Jason Zuidema, Jay Brace, Harley Dyk

Ushers: Mulder (Team 11) Jim Mulder, Jon Mulder, John Rycenga, Carl Vertregt

Coffee Hosts: Dennis and Mary Jo Schaaf, Eric and Dawn Rotman

Nursery: Cathy Brolick, Jenny Steigenga, Yasmin Vanderheide

Little Lambs: Kerry Bierma, Aurelia Koch

Greeters: Garry Vanden Berg, Eric and Dawn Rotman

Offering: Partners Worldwide

Calendar

Sunday, August 7

10:00 a.m.—Church Service

Monday, August 8

1-4 p.m. – Office Hours

Tuesday, August 9

1-4 p.m. – Office Hours

Wednesday, August 10

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.- Office Hours

Thursday, August 11

1-4 p.m. – Office Hours

Friday, August 12

Saturday, August 13

Sunday, August 14

10:00 a.m.—Church Service

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