



Sunday Worship Service
September 4, 2022

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!

God Calls Us Into Worship

Prelude: "How Lovely Is Your Dwelling"
"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

arr. Grotenhuis
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Welcome

*Call to Worship

"Hear God call you to worship through His word:

After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" (Revelation 7:9–10)

***Sing:** "How Lovely, Lord, How Lovely"
"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

LUYH 46
LUYH 575

*God's Greeting & Welcome

We are Reconciled to God

Call to Confession

Hear God's law as his will for your life;

The words of our Lord Jesus Christ:

"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets." (Matthew 22:37–40)

Prayer of Confession (Gregory the Great)

○ Lord, **have mercy upon us.**

○ Christ, **have mercy upon us.**

○ Spirit, **have mercy upon us.**

○ God the Father in heaven, we humbly ask you, **hear us.**

○ God the Son, Redeemer of the world, **hear us.**

God the Holy Spirit, our Comforter, **hear us.**

Be gracious unto us. **Spare us, good Lord.**

Be gracious unto us. **Help us, good Lord.**

Be gracious unto us. **Save us, good Lord.**

from our sin, from our errors, from all evil,

Good Lord, deliver us.

Lord, have mercy upon us. **Amen.**

Words of Assurance:

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. Romans 5:1–2

***Song of Assurance:** Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

LUYH 693

***Mutual Greeting**

God Speaks to Us

Prayer for Illumination:

Almighty, gracious Father, since our whole salvation depends on our true understanding of your Holy Word, grant us all that our hearts—freed from worldly affairs—may hear and understand your holy Word with all diligence and faith, so that we may rightly discern your gracious will, cherish it, and live by it with all earnestness, to your praise and honor, through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen. (Martin Bucer)

Scripture Reading: Genesis 39: 1 - 20

Sermon: What if God is with you?

Rev. Tim Blackmon

***Hymn of Response:** “Abide With Me”

LUYH 466

We Respond to God

Creed

**We believe in one God,
the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.
And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
begotten from the Father before all ages,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made; of the same essence as the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven;
he became incarnate by the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,
and was made human.
He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered and was buried.
The third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures.
He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again with glory to judge the living and the dead.
His kingdom will never end.
And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life.
He proceeds from the Father and the Son,
and with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified.
He spoke through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We affirm one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look forward to the resurrection of the dead,
and to life in the world to come. Amen.**

Prayer of the People

David Hoek

Offering: International Aid

Offertory: "Abide With Me"

arr. Haan

God Sends Us to Serve In His Light and Love

***Sending Song: "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"**

LUYH 571 v 1, 2, 3, 5

***Benediction**

Postlude: “Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven”

arr. Innes

Participants:

Pastor Tim Blackmon, preacher
Jan Zuidema, pianist
Cathy Schaaf, organist
David Hoekema, prayer of the people and scripture reading
Curt DeJongh and Patrice Frantz, praise team
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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.

If you would like to receive our weekly digital newsletter, and have not been getting it, please call the office at 842-0

Volunteer Schedule:

September 4

Projection: Dan Braak
Video: Harley Dyk, Jason Zuidema, Dirk Weesies, Jacob Weesies
Ushers: Terpstra (Team 3) Ken Terpstra, Jamie Goorman, Les Lewis, Tom Bierma
Coffee Hosts: Jonathan and Renee Mulder, Jim Mulder
Nursery: Cherise VanderHeide, Ian Clapp
Little Lambs: Manette De Jonge Zuidema Girl
Greeters: Rick Geertsma, Dawn and Jim Sacks
Offering: International Aid

September 11

Projection: Dan Braak
Video: Mark Boelens, Jim Query, Aiden Rotman, Ethan Hodge
Ushers: Geertsma (Team 4) Rick Geertsma, Rosemary Geertsma, Dirk Weesies
Coffee Hosts: David and Susan Hoekema, Steve and Ruth Marotti
Nursery: Ruth Marotti, Gabe Schaaf
Little Lambs: Amy Wolffis, Yasmin Vanderheide
Walk Out Worship: Emily Bierma, Claire Clapp
Greeters: Glenn Gronevelt, Dennis and Mary Jo Schaaf
Offering: Lighthouse Ministries

Calendar

Sunday, August 28

10:00 a.m.—Church Service

Monday, August 29

1-4 p.m. – Office Hours

Tuesday, August 30

1-4 p.m. – Office Hours

Wednesday, August 31

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

Thursday, September 1

1-4 p.m. – Office Hours

Friday, September 2

Saturday, September 3

Sunday, September 4

10:00 a.m.—Church Service

11:30- The Afterword

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

Announcements:

This coming Sunday Pastor Tim will host the first "**Afterword.**" If you are interested in having some dialogue about the readings in Genesis, come to the Sanctuary after you have had some coffee and fellowship.

We are eagerly anticipating our Fall session of **Friendship Club**. **There is a need for cookie bakers**- please sign up at the atrium kiosk. We are also looking for guest story tellers. If you are willing to help out in this way, please contact Lyndsey (lyndsey.m.huisman@gmail.com) or Ruth (srmarotti@sbcglobal.net). As always, all are invited to join us for this hour of worship, fellowship, and fun on Tuesday evenings 7:00 - 8:00 beginning September 20th!

A volunteer is needed to help the **Projection Team**. You are welcome to the booth before or after a service to see what is involved, or to sit in the booth during a service. We will work with your conflicts and you would be scheduled about every 3rd week. Contact Dan Braak or Harley Dyk if you can help or for more information.

A New calendar for **children's ministries** is in your mailbox. Thank you for those who reached out saying they were available to help! The schedule starts this week for Nursery and Little Lambs and we will start Walk Out Worship after Labor Day.

Women's Bible Hour will begins its Fall Season on Thursday, September 8. They will meet weekly at 1:30 on Thursdays. Study guides can be picked up at the church office. Questions? Call Char at 842-0848.

A reminder for **book club** on Monday, September 19 at 1:30 p.m. in the parlor of church. You still have time to read, "Anna Karenina" by Leo Tolstoi, and join in the discussion. Open to all interested!

Focus, the high school youth group, will be starting back up on September 11. **Chaos**, the 5th – 8th grade group, will start September 14. This year they will be looking at odd, weird, and unique stories from the Bible and what they can learn from them. Rob is excited, it should be fun topic for the kids to study. Questions? Call Rob, 616-638-0976.

Request from Outreach Team: Love In Action is again offering the Empower U program at our church on Thursday evenings from 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM starting September 8. They have asked us to supply childcare services for these classes. They will need help for infants and toddlers and for school age children through 6th grade. Each group requires we have 2 adults for a total of 4 adults per evening session. This course runs for 8 weeks through October 27. This course is the basic requirement for clients' continuing assistance from Love In Action, so it is very appreciated for the help we provide with child care throughout the year. Thank You for considering this labor of love. Please contact: Steve Marotti 616-366-2717, or stevemarotti@gmail.com.

Prayers and Praises:

From Tim Annema, principal at **Grand Haven Christian School**: I just wanted to send out a note of thanks to the congregation of 2nd CRC for their continued support of Grand Haven Christian School and its mission. We recently received a check from the church that was not anticipated and a huge blessing to the school. We were able to use the funds to help some families that have recently experienced some financial hardship and have a firm desire for their student(s) to be at GHC. The excess funds assisted in some final summer projects in advance of welcoming over 420 students back to school this fall, which included some security upgrades and the installation of some new classroom furniture.

Ann Koch had a bad fall and injured her knee. She is advised to stay off it as much as she can at this point. There is an MRI scheduled for later this week to find out the severity of the injury. She would appreciate any prayers for quick healing and good prognosis from the MRI.

Ione Hoekenga had a left total knee replacement surgery. She is recovering at home and going to PT for therapy. Ione is doing well but would appreciate prayers for continued healing, for protection from blood clots and infection, and for patience during this time of rehabilitation.