

Sunday Worship Service October 9, 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: "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" arr. Gaines

*Gathering Hymn: "Come, Worship God" LUYH 509 vs. 1-3

*Call to Worship:

Come, let us sing to the Lord; let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods. In his hand are the caverns of the earth, and the heights of the hills are his also. The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands have molded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, and kneel before the Lord our Maker. For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.

*Song of Praise: "Shout to the Lord" LUYH 603

*God's Greeting & Welcome

The Lord be with you

And with your spirit.

O God, our refuge and strength, true source of all godliness: Graciously hear the devout prayers of your Church, and grant that those things which we ask faithfully, we may obtain effectually; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ. (Philippians 1:2)

*Mutual Greeting

We are Reconciled with God

Call to Confession

Dearly beloved, we have come together in the presence of Almighty God our heavenly Father, to set forth his praise, to hear his holy Word, and to ask, for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things that are necessary for our life and our salvation. And so that we may prepare ourselves in heart and mind to worship him, let us sit or kneel in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

Prayer of Confession

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Song of Confession: "Trisagion"

Ortega

Holy God. Holy and mighty. Holy Immortal One, Have mercy, have mercy on us.

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Holy Immortal One, have mercy, have mercy, have mercy.

Have mercy, have mercy on us.

Words of Assurance:

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

(Children 5 through 2nd grade are welcome to leave for Walk Out Worship during this song. The teacher will be waiting in the back of the church)

God Speaks to Us

Scripture Reading: Genesis 44:1-44

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon: What if it is our Lord's nature always to have mercy? Pastor Tim Blackmon

We Respond to God

*Hymn of Response: "Before the Throne of God Above" LUYH 682

*Creed:

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Rev. Jay Knochenhauer

Lord's Prayer:

Our Father who art in heaven,
Hallowed be Thy name.
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done,
On earth, As it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil:
For thine is the kingdom,
And the power, and the glory,
Forever. Amen.

Announcements

Offering: World Renew: Disaster Relief

Liturgist: Yours, O LORD, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty, for all that is in the heavens and in the earth is yours. Yours is the kingdom, O LORD, and you are exalted as head above all. All things come from you, O Lord.

People: And of your own have we given you. (1 Chronicles 29: 11,14)

Offertory: "How Deep the Father's Love for Us"

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. How great the pain of searing loss. The Father turns his face away. As wounds mar the Chosen One bring many sons to glory.

Behold the Man upon the cross, my sin upon his shoulders. Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice call out among the scoffers.

It was my sin that held him there until it was accomplished; His dying breath has brought me life. I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything, no gifts, no power, no wisdom. But I will boast in Jesus Christ: His death and resurrection. Why should I gain from his reward? I cannot give answer. But this I know with all my heart: His wounds have paid my ransom.

God Sends Us to Serve In His Light and Love

*Sending Song: "We Receive Your Blessing" LUYH 947

*Benediction

Postlude: "Grace Greater Than Our Sin" arr. Berry

Credits & Liturgical Notes:

- · Creed: Apostle's Creed
- 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.
- Participants:

Pastor Tim Blackmon, preacher
Julie Hordyk pianist
Cathy Schaaf, organist and choir director
Rev. Jay Knochenhauer, prayer of the people and scripture reading
Cindy Brace and Curt DeJongh, praise team
Cal Keuning, percussion
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Announcements:

Men's Bible Study started this past Saturday! All men are welcome to join a men's bible study on Saturday mornings at church. The Tool Time Men's Bible Study will be studying a book entitled "The Mulligan: Everyone Needs a Second Chance in Golf and in Life" by Wally Armstrong and Ken Blanchard for our fall season. It's a short book and we will be reviewing 3 chapters per session for 6 sessions. Dates for Tool Time are October 8 and 22, November 5 and 19, and December 3 and 17. We will meet at church in the North Hall from 7:30 – 8:30 a.m. Coffee and donuts will be provided. For our winter sessions we will return to a traditional Bible study.

Adult Enrichment:

Oct 9 – Catherine McClung – Local Artist and Author – Three-piece Work of Art and Book both titled Birds of the Bible

Oct 16 – Lt. Nichole Hudson, GHDPS – CRASE: Civilian Response to Active Shooter Event course, designed and built on the Avoid, Deny, Defend (ADD) strategy – Part 1 of 2

Sunday Evening Gatherings with Districts: Pastor Tim and Betsy would love another opportunity to get to know the congregation. We are planning district events on Sunday evenings for a **time of dessert and fellowship.** Dates are listed below for the different districts. You can use the directory to find your district or an email will go out specifically inviting you to the event. Are you not in a district or a visitor? Pick a date that works best for you! We will meet in the North Hall at 6 p.m. We hope you can make it! Call the office if you have any questions or can't find your district. **October 16: District 4, October 23: District 3, October 30: District 2, November 6: District 1.**

Curious about the **tent on the pulpit**? The sanctuary installation celebrates the declaration of the gospel to the four corners of the earth. The octagonal canopy with its burning flame symbolizes the divine and royal presence of God who by His Spirit meet us in His word. The tent-like covering reminds us that Christ tabernacled among us, while the patchwork and multihued fabrics give an ethnic sense reminding us that God is gathering an all-nations people to thank and praise Him.

Mark your calendar for Saturday evening, November 5. We will have a movie night at church to view the movie *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*. More details to come.

Save the date: **Sanctuary choir** will be joining in worship on the service on November 6 with two practices before on October 25 and November 1 at 7 pm.

Bridal Shower: Alexandra Hodge married Zachary Boersen at a "small wedding" on July 19th. Now, prior to her December 30 wedding and reception, we get to celebrate her and all she has meant to our church with a brunch bridal shower!! This will be Saturday, October 22, at 9:30 am. Alex is registered at Bed, Bath & Beyond, as well as Amazon. Please **sign up** at the welcome desk, and remember, all gifts are given anonymously!!

Notice for the **SWANS**: Our October meeting will be a soup luncheon in the North Hall of church on Wednesday the 19th at noon.

Office News: In anticipation of Emily Bierma's maternity leave, we are looking for a temporary part time replacement for the **administrative assistant**. If you or someone you know would be interested to learn more about the position and look at the job description, please email admin@secondcrcgrandhaven.org.

Looking ahead... the church will host another **blood drive** on November 3, 12-5:45 p.m. Use the link in your Tuesday news to sign up.

Prayer Requests, Praises, Thank You's:

Cyndie Van Dyke's mom, Grace Vander Aa, is on hospice following a bad fall. Prayers for God's presence to surround them all. The family is with her down south at this time.

Maxine Veurink peacefully passed away on Tuesday, October 4. Visitation was Friday and the family had a private service. We celebrate a beautiful life and the blessing she was to everyone who knew her.

Corky and Mary North have great joy and celebration as they are celebrating 65 years of marriage today.

Rita Zuidema's sister, Linda Kay, passed peacefully into the arms of our loving Savior this week. A service of her celebration of Life will be held next month in Fresno, California. Prayers would be appreciated for the family as they mourn and celebrate the life of this Loving Christian woman.

Volunteer Schedule:

October 9

Projection: Dan Braak

Video: Mark Boelens, Jim Query, Jay Brace, and Ethan Hodge Ushers: Hordyk (Team 8) Roger Hordyk, DeeAnn Hordyk, Dan Holtrop, John Buitenhuis

Coffee Hosts: Jay and Machelle Knochenhauer, Glenn and Jan

Gronevelt

Nursery: Chris Farrar, Auerlia

Koch

Little Lambs: Sam Farrar, Maelyn

Wagenmaker

Walk Out Worship: Barb Fritz,

Ian Clapp

Greeters: John and Marie

Rycenga

Offering: World Renew- Disaster

Relief

October 16

Projection: Eric Wolffis

Video: Aiden Rotman, Jason Zuidema, Jay Brace, Harley Dyk Ushers: Rotman (Team 9) Eric Rotman, Ron Frantz, Dave VanderWall, Jason Zuidema Coffee Hosts: Glen and Mary

Wierenga

Nursery: Rosemary Geertsma,

Zuidema Girl

Little Lambs: Sheila Warners,

Gabe Schaaf

Walk Out Worship: Cindy Brace,

Yasmin Vanderheide

Greeters: Jason and Jennifer

Steigenga

Offering: Disability Concerns

Calendar

Sunday, October 9

10:00 a.m.—Church Service 11:30 a.m.- Adult Enrichment

Monday, October 10

9 a.m.-12 p.m.- Office Hours 1:30 p.m.- Book Club

Tuesday, October 11

7:30 a.m.- Prayer Team 9 a.m.-12 p.m.- Office Hours 7 p.m.- Friendship Club 7 p.m.- Sanctuary Choir

Wednesday, October 12

9 a.m.-12 p.m.- Office Hours 7 p.m.- CHAOS

Thursday, October 13

9 a.m.-12 p.m.- Office Hours 1:30 p.m.- Women's Bible Hour 6 p.m.- Empower U

> Friday, October 14 Saturday, October 15

7:30 a.m.- Tool Time Bible Study

Sunday, October 16

10:00 a.m.—Church Service 11:30 a.m.- Adult Enrichment 6:30 p.m.- FOCUS

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