



Sunday Worship Service
October 16, 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: "Truth Divine"
"To God Be the Glory"

Josef Haydn/arr. Frank Asper
Andrae Crouch/arr. John Innes

***Gathering Hymn:** "Praise the Lord! Sing Hallelujah"

LUYH 518

***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.
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!**

***Song of Praise:** “We Will Extol You, God and King”

LUYH 562

***God’s Greeting & Welcome**

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.
May grace and peace be multiplied to you.

And also to you

***Mutual Greeting**

We are Reconciled with God

Call to Confession

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us; but if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. (John 1:8, 9)

Prayer of Confession

Heavenly Father, we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

Song of Confession: “Trisagion”

Ortega

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

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

Words of Assurance:

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. By the authority of Jesus, in his name, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

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

God Speaks to Us

Helen's Story

Jim Warners

Scripture Reading: Genesis 45: 1-28

Reader: The Word of the Lord
People: **Thanks be to God**

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon: What if the Almighty Can Reconcile All Things?

Pastor Tim Blackmon

We Respond to God

***Hymn of Response:** The Day of the Lord

Kimbrough

It's not long till the boastful are silenced and shamed.
It's not long till the wealth of the wicked's reclaimed.
And the ones who have waited with eyes on the Lord
will shine like the sun forevermore. It's not long till the day of the Lord!

Just be still and be faithful and dwell in the land.

Put your trust in the Savior and cling to his hand.
When your heart burns with anger for all that is wrong,
do not let the dark steal your song. It's not long till the day of the Lord!

Refrain: It's not long till the day of the Lord,
It's not long till the day of the Lord!
Everything that is broken will soon be restored.
It's not long till the day of the Lord.

Do not fear for the wicked with weapons of war,
for the Lord is the shelter and strength of the poor.
And our God comes with laughter, let him be your joy.
The power of the sword he'll destroy. It's not long till the day of the Lord! Refrain.

***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.

Prayers of the People

Amy Wolffis

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: Disability Concerns

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: “When We Walk with the Lord”

LUYH 327

God Sends Us to Serve In His Light and Love

***Benediction**

***Sending Song:** “To God be the Glory”

LUYH 956

Postlude: “He Is King of Kings”

arr. Charles Callahan

Credits & Liturgical Notes:

- Creed: Nicene 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
Jan Zuidema, pianist
Jean Schuitman, organist
Amy Wolffis, prayer of the people and scripture reading
Christie Vander Heide, Rob Wagenmaker, praise team
Cal Keuning, percussion
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Adult Enrichment:

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

Oct 23 – Lt. Nichole Hudson – GHDPs– CRASE: Civilian Response to Active Shooter Event course, designed and built on the Avoid, Deny, Defend (ADD) strategy – Part 2

Prayer Requests, Praises, Thank You's:

Cyndie Van Dyke's mom, Grace Vander Aa, passed away early Monday morning. She thanks us for our prayers.

Jill Holman will be celebrating her 60th birthday on Tuesday, October 18. After getting all her teeth pulled a couple of weeks ago, she has had a difficult time. She would appreciate getting birthday cards from the members of Second church to show her some love.

From **Chuck and Carol DeWitt**: We want to again thank the congregation for all their prayers, during my recent radiation treatments. At my doctor appointment this week, he was very happy with my recent blood test and said the treatments were successful and my prostate cancer is gone. I will be seeing the doctor every 3-4 months and having my blood rechecked to make sure the cancer has not returned. We are so thankful for this good news and God's answers to all your prayers!

Announcements:

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.**

Pastor David Zuidema's time as our interim pastor and overseer of pastoral care is coming to an end. We are so thankful for the role he has played these last 10 months. He worked closely with the Care Boards and Parish Nurse to make sure that the physical and spiritual needs of the congregation were met during our time of transition and helped Pastor Tim Blackmon get situated and acclimated. His duties will end at the end of October. Pastor Tim will oversee pastoral care and lead the care boards in the months to come. Pastor David's calm spirit and wise insight were invaluable during this time of transition. Take time in the next few weeks to let Pastor David know how much you appreciated his willingness to fill the spot.

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.

Want a night off of cooking? Plan to come to church on Monday, October 24 and join the **cadets for their spaghetti dinner** from 5:30-7 p.m.

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.

Calendar

Sunday, October 16

10:00 a.m.—Church Service
11:30 a.m.- Adult Enrichment
6 p.m. – District 4 Evening
Gathering
6:30 p.m. - FOCUS

Monday, October 17

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

Tuesday, October 18

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

Wednesday, October 19

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

Thursday, October 20

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

Friday, October 21

Saturday, October 22

7:30 a.m.- Tool Time Bible Study
9:30 a.m. – Bridal Shower
Alexandra Hodge

Sunday, October 23

10:00 a.m.—Church Service
11:30 a.m.- Adult Enrichment
6 p.m. – District 3 Evening
Gathering

Volunteer Schedule:

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

October 23 Volunteer Schedule is in the Tuesday news and Friday email this week- thanks!