



Sunday Worship Service
October 30, 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. We look forward to connecting with you. Also, please join us for coffee after church so we can meet you!

God Calls Us Into Worship

Prelude: “Faith of Our Fathers”
“In Christ Alone”

arr. Tornquist
arr. Hayes

***Gathering Hymn:** “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

LUYH 776

***Call to Worship:**

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? One thing have I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to inquire in his temple.

For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble; he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will lift me high upon a rock. And now my head shall be lifted up above my enemies all around me, and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy; I will sing and make melody to the Lord. (Psalm 27:1, 4–6)

***Song of Praise:** “In Christ Alone”

LUYH 770

***God’s Greeting & Welcome**

***Mutual Greeting**

We are Reconciled with God

Call to Confession

Q. How do you come to know your misery?

A. The law of God tells me.

Q. What does God's law require of us?

A. Christ teaches us this in summary in Matthew 22:37-40:

“You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.’ This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.” (Heidelberg Catechism Q & A 3,4)

Sung Prayer: “Kyrie Eleison” (Iona Community)

Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison, Kyrie eleison
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Prayer of Confession

Heavenly father, merciful and everlasting God, we acknowledge and confess before your divine majesty that we are poor sinners, prone to evil and ever falling short of goodness. We have transgressed your commandments and are worthy of your anger.

But, O Lord, we repent and are sorry from our hearts that we have so displeased you. We pray that your grace may bring help to our distress.

Be pleased, therefore, to have mercy upon us, O most gracious God and Father. Forgive us all our sins, through the holy sufferings of your dear Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and grant us now the gifts of your Holy Spirit.

Increase these in us each day, that we may repent, that sin may be destroyed in us, and that we may bring forth the fruits of righteousness and a pure life that are pleasing to you, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

(Adapted from the liturgy of the Reformed Church of Zurich, 1525)

Words of Assurance:

Q. How are you righteous before God?

A. Only by true faith in Jesus Christ. Even though my conscience accuses me of having grievously sinned against all God's commandments, of never having kept any of them, and of still being inclined toward all evil, Nevertheless, without any merit of my own, out of sheer grace, God grants and credits to me the perfect satisfaction, righteousness, and holiness of Christ, as if I had never sinned nor been a sinner, and as if I had been as perfectly obedient as Christ was obedient for me. All I need to do is accept this gift with a believing heart.

(Heidelberg Catechism Q & A)

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

God Speaks to Us

Scripture Reading: Genesis 46:28-47:12

Sung Prayer for Illumination: "Ancient Words"

LUYH 762

Sermon: What if you live here, but are not from here?

Pastor Tim Blackmon

We Respond to God

***Hymn of Response:** "Forever"

LUYH 578

***Creed:**

Q. What do you believe concerning "the holy catholic church"?

A. I believe that the Son of God through his Spirit and Word, out of the entire human race, from the beginning of the world to its end, gathers, protects, and preserves for himself a community chosen for eternal life and united in true faith. And of this community I am and always will be a living member.

(Heidelberg Catechism Q & A)

Prayers of the People

Sheila Warners

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: Calvin Theological Seminary

Liturgist: What does God require of you?

People: That I do whatever I can for my neighbor's good, that I treat others as I would like them to treat me, and that I work faithfully so that I may share with those in need. (Heidelberg Catechism Q & A 111)

Offertory: "And Can It Be"

arr. Hayes

God Sends Us to Serve in His Light and Love

***Sending Song:** "And Can It Be"

LUYH 695 v

***Benediction**

Postlude: "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

arr. Taylor

Credits & Liturgical Notes:

- Creed: Heidelberg Catechism Q & A 54
- 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
Jean Schuitman, organist
Sheila Warners, prayer of the people and scripture reading
Patrice Frantz, Paul LaMaire, Joslyn Wagenmaker, praise team
Cal Keuning, Percussion
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Prayer Requests, Praises, Thank You's:

We invite you to bless the **Biermas** with a meal. Sign up at mealtrain.com/2eolvms.

Daryl Tammen has been moved to Seminole Shores in the Norton Shores area, pending a hopeful move to Grand Pines. His temporary address is: Seminole Shores, 805 Seminole Rd H8, Norton Shores, MI 49441. Daryl and Bonnie covet your prayers during this difficult time.

Adult Enrichment:

October 30: Jeanette Weiden- Genealogy Specialist who will highlight resources available at the Loutit District Library by sharing *Wicked Local Lore*

November 6: Berend Snoeyer- Editor and Translator of *The Wolfert Letters: Family and Friend Correspondence During WWII*

November 13: Freshta Tori Jan- Calvin University Alum, Author of *Persecution: My Story of Courage*, and Founder of Hazara Advocates USA to spread awareness of genocide of the Hazara

November 20: Afterword with Pastor Tim Blackmon

Announcements:

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 ten 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 get

situated and acclimated. Pastor David's 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.

All men are welcome to join a men's bible study on Saturday mornings at church. This fall, the **Tool Time Men's Bible Study** will be studying *The Mulligan: Everyone Needs a Second Chance in Golf and in Life* by Wally Armstrong and Ken Blanchard. The next dates for Tool Time are **Nov, 5 and 19, and Dec. 3 and 17**. We will meet at church in the North Hall from **7:30–8:30 am** with coffee and donuts. We will return to a traditional Bible study in the winter.

Hey kids, parents, and grandparents! Check out the new additions to the **Children's Library** that are on display on the wall next to the parlor by the Children's Library. Don't forget to also check out the books in the little red wagon as well as the shelves. Use the cool pencils to sign your name on the card, stamp the card and the book with the date due, leave the card and take the book and pencil home. The pencil is yours! But please return the book in two weeks!

Looking forward: the SWANS will have a tour of the Wooden Bowl Factory, 120 James St. in Holland on **November 16 at 11:00 am** with lunch following at the James St. Inn. We will carpool from the church parking lot at 10:30 am. Questions please call Lone 616-502-8477 or email lone.lloydh@gmail.com.

Movie night! What if we could watch the musical version of the Joseph story at church? Join us on Saturday, Nov 5 at 7:00 pm in the North Hall for a lighthearted look at Joseph's life in the musical, **Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dream Coat**. Come and enjoy popcorn and the movie at 7:00 pm.

Because of growth of the ministry, **Friendship Club** is in need of more mentors. Please let us know if you are available to serve on Tuesday evenings from 7:00-8:00 pm. We will be running the fall session through December 6th, and we will not meet again until mid-March. If you have an hour to give on Tuesday evenings, please contact Lyndsey Huisman (616-481-1687) or Ruth Marotti (616-846-8644) for more information. Thank you!

Choir: Sanctuary Choir will be joining in worship on the service on November 6 with one more practice on Tuesday, November 1 at 7:00 pm. See you there! pm.

Bells: The handbells are starting back up and planning to join in worship on November 20. Practice will happen after church on Sunday, October 30, and then again on November 6 and November 13. We hope to see you there.

Ping pong at church is starting back up! Join us Mon, Oct. 31 at 1:30 in the church basement.

Looking ahead: Church Book Club will meet in the parlor on Monday afternoon, Nov. 14 at 1:30 pm. The book is "The Velveteen Rabbit" by Margery Williams Bianca. If you don't have time to read it, you just are too busy! You will be asked to submit a book title that you would like for us to read for our February meeting.

Sunday Evening Gatherings with Districts: The district gatherings have been wonderful! Pastor Tim and Betsy have enjoyed the opportunity to fellowship with the congregation in a casual atmosphere. The next district event is this evening for District 2. Join us in the North Hall at 6 pm for a time of dessert and fellowship. Reach out to the office if you don't know your district. Not in a district yet? Please join us on an evening that works best for you! **October 30 (tonight!): District 2, November 6: District 1**

Volunteer Schedule:

October 30

Projection: Eric Wolffis

Video: Chuck DeWitt, Jason Zuidema, Dirk Weesies, Jacob Weesies

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

Coffee Hosts: Paul and Linda LaMaire, Rick and Rosemary Geertsma

Nursery: Jane DeGroot, Maelyn Wagenmaker

Little Lambs: Amy Wolffis, Ian Clapp

Walk Out Worship: Joslyn Wagenmaker, Zuidema girl

Greeters: Garry Vanden Berg, Amy and Jameson Goorman

Offering: Calvin Theological Seminary

November 6

Projection: Dan Braak

Video: Jay Brace, Jim Query, Aiden Rotman, Ethan Hodge

Ushers: Geertsma (Team 4) Rick and Rosemary Geertsma, Dirk Weesies

Coffee Hosts: Chris and Julie Hordyk, Dick and Shirley Good

Nursery: Cathy Brolick, Gabe Schaaf

Little Lambs: Dawn Rotman, Yasmin Vander Heide

Walk Out Worship: Sherri Van Duyn, Claire Clapp

Greeters: Amy Goorman, Char Ter Haar, Jan Veenstra

Offering: World Renew (World Hunger Sunday)

Calendar

Sunday, October 30

10:00 am—Church Service

11:30 am—Adult Enrichment

6 pm—District 2 Evening Gathering

Monday, October 31

9 am-12 pm—Office Hours

Tuesday, November 1

7:30 am—Prayer Team

9 am-12 pm—Office Hours

7 pm—Friendship Club

7pm—Choir Practice

Wednesday, November 2

9 am-12 pm—Office Hours

1 pm—Knitter's Club

7 pm—CHAOS Jr High Youth Group

Thursday, November 3

9 am-12 pm—Office Hours

6 pm—Empower U

Friday, November 4

Saturday, November 5

Sunday, November 6

10:00 am—Church Service

11:30 am—Adult Enrichment

11:30am—Bell Practice

6 pm—District 2 Evening Gathering

6:30 pm—FOCUS HS Youth Group