



Worship Service for  
Sixth Sunday of Epiphany  
February 12, 2023

*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!*

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## Jesus Welcomes Us

**Prelude:** “How Lovely Is Your Dwelling”

arr. Grotenhuis

### **\*Call to Worship**

“Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Seek the Lord while he may be found; call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the Lord, that he may have compassion on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.”

Isaiah 55:1, 6-7

**\*Hymn of Praise:** “How Lovely Lord, How Lovely”

LUYH 46

### **\*Opening Prayer**

Almighty God, through the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, you revealed the way of eternal life to every race and nation: Pour out this gift anew, that by the preaching of the Gospel your salvation may reach to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### **\*God’s Greeting & Mutual Greeting**

**\*Hymn of Praise:** “God, We Sing Your Glorious Praises”

LUYH 519 vs. 1,3,4

## Jesus Forgives Sinners

### Call to Confession

With everlasting love your heavenly Father will have compassion on you. He is the Lord, your Redeemer and he blots out your transgressions for his name's sake, and he will not remember your sins. Return to him, for he will redeem you.

From Isaiah 54:8; 43:25; 44:22

### Prayer of Confession

**Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

### Words of Assurance

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

John 3:16-17

**Song of Assurance: "By Grace We Have Been Saved"**

LUYH 675, vs. 1-3

## Jesus Blesses Children

### Prayer of Blessing for Children

**Eternal Father, we ask that You give our children a true knowledge of Yourself. We ask You to satisfy them in the morning with Your lovingkindness, and let them behold Your salvation, sing for joy, and be glad all their days. Amen.**

### Children Leave for Walkout Worship

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

## Jesus Speaks God's Word

### Scripture Reading

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

### Gospel Reading: Luke 4:16-30

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

### Prayer for Illumination

**Sermon:** The people in Jesus' hometown

## We Respond to Jesus in Faith

### Prayer

**\*Hymn of Response:** "In Christ Alone"

LUYH 770

### Prayers of the People

### 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.**

**Offering:** Teen Challenge West Michigan

**Offertory:** “What Shall I Render to the Lord”

LUYH 871 vs. 1,2,4,5

**Jesus Sends Us into the World**

**\*Sending/Doxology Song:** “Praise the Savior, Now and Ever”

LUYH 191 vs. 1,4

**\*Benediction**

**Postlude:** “Hymnus”

Fielitz

**Credits & Liturgical Notes:**

- Participants:
  - Rev. Wayne Brouwer, Preacher
  - Julie Hordyk, Pianist
  - Cathy Schaaf, Organist
  - Karen Katje, Flutist
  - Curt DeJongh, Amy Goorman, Vocalists
  - Joanne Query, Prayers of the People
  - Paul LaMaire, Liturgist

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. OneLicense.net #A-721176, CCLI#775073.

## Prayer Requests, Praises, Thank Yous:

A service of witness to the resurrection for **Jim Schuitman** is scheduled for February 18. A visitation will be held at 1:00 pm with service to follow at 2:00 pm at Second CRC. We extend our heartfelt condolences to Jean and hold the Schuitman family close in prayer.

A prayer request for **Art Van Wolde**, pastor of First CRC in Grand Haven. Art's daughter was struck by a car as she walked to her work. She was on a ventilator for 24 hours and remains in intensive care. Art reports that she is making good strides and appreciates prayer.

For 15 days in January, it was a privilege for Second Church to open its doors to the community for the **January Series**. This year nearly 1,000 people attended the series, with a one-day attendance record of 108! They listened to and learned from amazing speakers. They were overwhelmed by the hospitality of our church, and they delighted in the baked goods provided each day. This could not have been accomplished without the contributions of many in our congregation, including all those willing to provide baked goods and serve as host and hostesses. Special thanks to Esther Drukker, Sheila Warners, Dirk Weesies, Mark Boelens, Les Lewis, Jim Query, and Ralph Veldbloom. It has been a wonderful opportunity for us to serve in this way. Sincerely, Roger and DeeAnn Hordyk, Henk and Sharon Ottens, Jim and Mary Winkle

## Announcements:

**Encounters with Jesus:** Please note that we will not be meeting again until Wednesday, March 8.

**Tool Time Men's Bible Study Dates:** February 18 and March 4. Time: 7:30 am. Location: North Hall. We will continue our discussion of the book "The Mulligan" by Wally Armstrong and Ken Blanchard. Coffee and donuts are provided.

**Women's Bible Hour** will meet for the four Thursdays in February at 1:30 pm in the parlor. We will be doing the last four lessons of our study of the Parables of Jesus. If you would like to join us and need the study materials call Char at 616-842-0848.

**Church Book Club** will meet on Monday, February 13 at 1:30pm in the church parlor. The book to be discussed will be *Pachinko* by Min Jin Lee. Facilitated discussion led by Agnes Fisher. This meeting is open to anyone interested in reading and sharing. Any questions or for more details feel free to email [lone.lloydh@gmail.com](mailto:lone.lloydh@gmail.com) or call Lone 616-502-8477.

**Prayer Partner:** Calling all 3<sup>rd</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders! If you remember who your prayer partner is, we invite you to reconnect with them. If you do not have a prayer partner and would like one, please contact Rob. This is a great way to care for one another in an intergenerational relationship through conversation, time together, and prayer. This relationship is not a one-year commitment, but something that goes through senior year and beyond.

**2nd Annual Pinewood Derby:** Sunday March 19, 5:30pm. We are offering pre-formed cars, in addition to the block, that just need a little sanding, paint and wheels. Also, if you have an old car, we will have a classic class race to see some of the "vintage" models run! If you are interested in getting a block or preformed car, please see Rob Wagenmaker after service in the Atrium to put in your order. It would be great for prayer partners to team up this activity!

On Wednesday, February 22, there will be an **Ash Wednesday** service in the sanctuary at 7 pm, preceded by a soup supper in the North Hall at 6 pm. We shall buy the soups from Lori DeWitt, the proceeds from which go to her organization, "Casa de Esperanza" (House of Hope) in Honduras. Please RSVP for supper at the kiosk in the atrium. Families warmly welcomed (childcare not provided).

Thank you for the cards, notes, and calls from our congregation in the recent loss of Gord's sister. Thank you for showing Christ's love. **Gordon Merele**

**Council Nominations:** Please prayerfully consider how you can use the gifts God has given you by serving on Council or as a Care Team Volunteer. Know of someone else you think has been gifted to serve? Encourage them to nominate as well. Nomination forms can be found in the bulletin or are available in the office. Not sure what your gifts might be? Take a free gift assessment online: [FaithAliveResources.org/DiscoverYourGiftsSurvey](http://FaithAliveResources.org/DiscoverYourGiftsSurvey). Please submit your form to the office by March 5.

Wondering how you can **support the children's program**? We need homemade play doh for the Little Lamb's room. We want to keep the space free of all gluten and regular play doh is not gluten free. This is a great opportunity for those who want to help but are unable to be on the schedule to volunteer. It would be great if we had one or two people volunteer to make a batch each month. Email Emily if you are interested in helping and she can help you find a recipe as well. Thanks for considering!  
[childrensministries@secondcrcgrandhaven.org](mailto:childrensministries@secondcrcgrandhaven.org)

Volunteers needed to read the Bible, pray and sing with elderly friends in town who can no longer go to their own church as they live in a Nursing Home or Assisted Living Home. Interested in helping? Please call **Dee Podehl** at 616-842-0062.

**Love in Action** upcoming dates: Monday, February 13 from 5p-8p: Culver's Cares night, 10% of proceeds will be given to Love in Action to benefit the future Co-op. Saturday, March 4: Meijer Simply Give Double Match Day to benefit our pantries. Saturday, March 25: Meijer Simply Give Double Match Day to benefit our pantries. Love In Action **Financial Fitness program** is asking us to provide childcare services for their Empower U participants for the Thursday nights from March 9th through April 27th Spring program. High School students can earn both service hours and Outreach will help support your mission trip fund based on hours worked also. Please consider this opportunity to help serve our community with Love In Action. You may commit for any or all of these Thursday evening sessions. Sessions run from 5:45PM through 7:30 PM. Please contact Steve Marotti if interested or for more info at [stevemarotti@gmail.com](mailto:stevemarotti@gmail.com) or 616-366-2717

## Volunteer Schedule

### February 12

**Projection:** Dan Braak

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

**Ushers:** Dale Schuitema (Team 7), Kraig Brolick, Cathy Brolick, Gary VandenBerg

**Coffee Hosts:** Jason and Anne Zuidema, Doug and Jan Zuidema

**Nursery:** Jane DeGroot, Zuidemas

**Little Lambs:** Amy Wolffis, Ian Clapp

**Walk Out Worship:** Marie Rycenga, Yasmin Vanderheide

**Greeters:** Dee Wolffis and June Weesies, Glenn Gronewelt

**Offering:** Teen Challenge West Michigan

### February 19

**Projection:** Eric Wolffis

**Video:** Mark Boelens, Jim Query, Jay Brace, Ethan Hodge

**Ushers:** Roger Hordyk (Team 8), DeeAnn Hordyk, Dan Holtrop, John Buitenhuis

**Coffee Hosts:** David and Rita Zuidema, Jim and Mary Winkle

**Nursery:** Cathy Brolick, Deanne Hordyk

**Little Lambs:** Dawn Rotman, Gabe Schaaf

**Walk Out Worship:** Emily Bierma, Claire Clapp

**Greeters:** Eric and Amy Wolffis, Mike Katje

**Offering:** Faith Promise-Steve and Kim Holtrop

## Calendar

### **Sunday, February 12**

10:00 am—Church Service

### **Monday, February 13**

9 am-12 pm—Office Hours

1:30pm—Ping Pong

1:30pm—Church Book Club

### **Tuesday, February 14**

7:30 am—Prayer Team

9 am-12 pm—Office Hours

### **Wednesday, February 15**

9 am-12 pm—Office Hours

1 pm—Knitter's Club

### **Thursday, February 16**

9 am-12 pm—Office Hours

1:30 pm—Women's Bible Hour

5:30-7:30pm—Love in Action

### **Friday, February 17**

### **Saturday, February 18**

7:30pm—Tool Time Men's

Bible Study

### **Sunday, February 19**

10:00 am—Church Service

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## **Connect with Second CRC**

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**YouTube:** @2ndCRCGH

**Give online:** <https://tithe.ly/give?c=1460116>

## **Council Nominations:**

It is time to seek nominations for Council and Care Teams, for service beginning on July 1. You may nominate yourself or you may nominate someone else. As a reminder, our Council is comprised of the Leadership Board, Connection Board, and Care Board. The various Board members are elected as part of Council. The Care Teams are made up of one elected elder plus two volunteers (non-elected) for each district. We will have openings on all three Boards this year, as well as for Care Team Volunteers.

### **Why nomination?**

God has gifted each of us with unique talents and skills. Service is an honor and a calling. God requires us to exercise stewardship over the talents that He has entrusted to us. We invite you to nominate yourself for the role(s) you feel confident filling. We also invite you to nominate someone else who has the character and qualities best suited to serve and lead in a role.

### **What should you do next?**

From now until March 5:

- Prayerfully consider the areas where you could best serve. If you are unsure of your gifts, consider taking the free online survey entitled, “Discover Your Gifts” by Rev. Al Vander Griend. You can find it here: [FaithAliveResources.org/DiscoverYourGiftsSurvey](http://FaithAliveResources.org/DiscoverYourGiftsSurvey)
- Consider nominating at least one other person who you believe would be qualified for a particular position.

### **Please note:**

- Women should embrace the opportunity to serve. Our church leadership will be most effective when it reflects our membership. The unique gifts of women and men complement each other, and both are necessary for effective governance of the church.
- Couples with both interest and skill are invited to serve together, especially in Care Teams.
- You can nominate yourself or someone else for more than one role.

### **How can I submit a nomination, either for myself or for someone else?**

Complete a paper form and return it to the office. The form is available in the church office and in the weekly e-newsletter. Nominations are due on Sunday, March 5.

### **Questions?**

Contact any member of Council for more information.