



Worship Service for  
Fourth Sunday of Lent  
March 19, 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:** "Chaconne"

"Oh, Rest In the Lord"

Held  
Mendelssohn

#### \*Call to Worship

Let everything be said and done in the name of the Lord Jesus,  
**giving thanks to God through Jesus Christ.**  
Sing psalms, hymns and sacred songs:

**let us sing to God with thankful hearts.**  
Open our lips, Lord:  
**and we shall praise your name.**

**\*Song of Worship:** "Wonderful, Merciful Savior"

Rodgers/Rice

#### \*Opening Prayer

Almighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing that you have made and forgive the sins of all those who are penitent: create and make in us new and contrite hearts that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may receive from you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

**\*Hymn of Praise:** "All Glory Be to God on High"

LUYH 542

## Jesus Forgives Sinners

### Call to Confession

Holy God, our lives are laid open before you: rescue us from the chaos of sin and through the death of your Son bring us healing and make us whole in Jesus Christ our Lord.

### Prayer of Confession

**Have mercy on us, O God, according to your loving kindness. In your tender mercy blot out our transgressions. Wash us thoroughly from our iniquity and cleanse us from our sin. Create in us clean hearts, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Do not cast us away from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation and uphold us with your Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Psalm 51:1-3, 10-12

### Words of Assurance

May Almighty God forgive your sins, grant you full assurance of pardon, strengthen and confirm you in all good works, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**\*Song of Assurance:** "For Freedom Christ Has Set Us Free"

LUYH 679 vs 1,2

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

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **Amen.**

## Jesus Blesses Children

### Prayer of Blessing for Children

**Lord, we pray for all our children, the beloved, that they will be built up in the most holy faith. We are praying in the Holy Spirit, that they will be kept in the love of God and patiently await the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ that leads to eternal life. Amen.**

Jude 20-21

## **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 John.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

#### **Gospel Reading: John 4:1-45**

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

#### **Prayer for Illumination**

**Sermon:** Jesus and the Samaritan Woman

### **We Respond to Jesus in Faith**

#### **Prayer**

**\*Hymn of Response:** "My Soul Finds Rest"

LUYH 370

#### **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.**

**Announcement:** Josh Bytwerk, Faith Promise

**Offering:** Faith Promise-Love in Action-Auto Ministry

**Offertory:** “Like a River Glorious”

LUYH 699

**Jesus Sends Us into the World**

**\*Sending Song:** “Sent Forth by God’s Blessing”

LUYH 936 vs. 2

**\*Benediction**

**Postlude:** “Fugue in A Minor”

JS Bach

**Credits & Liturgical Notes:**

- Participants:
  - Rev. Tim Blackmon, Preacher
  - Jean Schuitman, Organist
  - Julie Hordyk, Pianist
  - Paul LaMaire, Prayers of the People/Scripture Reading
  - Curt DeJongh, Joslyn Wagenmaker, Vocalists
  - Cal Keuning, Percussion

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.

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### Prayer Requests, Praises, Gratitude:

We celebrate with **Sam and Chris Farrar** on the birth of **Noah James Farrar**! Born on Thursday, March 9 at 7:54am; 8 lb 7 oz, 21 inches. We are excited to fill the bassinet in the atrium with anonymous gifts. Let's bless the Farrar family with meals: [www.mealtrain.com/trains/4rrv58](http://www.mealtrain.com/trains/4rrv58)

We extend our heartfelt condolences to **Joan Loeper** in the death of her husband Richard. Richard died on March 8 during bypass surgery. A memorial service was held on Thursday, March 16.

The **Schuitman family** expresses their deepest gratitude to the Second CRC family for all you have done and been for us both seen and unseen. The prayers, cards, meals, and support helped give us strength as we walked this journey alongside Jim these past 16 months. Jim was so blessed by your prayers and expressions of support. We covet your continued prayers and support as we adjust to our new normal.

**Barb Brummel** will be going to the University of Michigan Eye Clinic in Ann Arbor on March 28. Please pray for this long-awaited appointment. Barb is hopeful for some new answers with her Glaucoma diagnosis.

### Announcements:

Sanctuary **Bell Choir** rehearsals: March 19, 26, and April 2 at 11:30 am.

Sanctuary **Choir** rehearsals: March 21, 28, and April 4 at 7 pm.

Please note the change of address: **Jan Veenstra**, 145 Columbia Ave, Apt 139, Holland, MI 49423

**Encounters with Jesus:** We will meet on Wednesday, March 22 at 7 pm in the Adult Enrichment room in the basement. Pastor Tim invites anyone interested to gather and read about the upcoming story of the rich, healed women in Luke 8:1-3. Hope to see you there!

**Women's Bible Hour** will begin its 6-week spring session on Thursday, March 23 at 1:30 pm. We will be studying women of the Old Testament. Books can be picked up in the office. Please contact Char Ter Haar with any questions. [Charlene.terhaar@gmail.com](mailto:Charlene.terhaar@gmail.com)

**Vacation Bible School:** Are you ready for an out of this world adventure? We will host a Stellar VBS here at the church from June 12-15. Kids will discover how they can shine Jesus' love and hope in everyday life! They'll participate in memorable Bible-learning activities, sing catchy songs, play teamwork-building games, make yummy treats, and experience exciting Bible Adventures. We encourage you to invite as many children as you know to join us! We are also in need of volunteers to make this week successful. If you are interested in serving in some capacity, please talk to Rob.

**Bakers needed** for Easter Sunday. Please sign up at the welcome desk to bring bread, coffee cake, or mini muffins for our Easter coffee hour

**2nd Annual Pinewood Derby:** We will gather today at 5:30pm in the North Hall. Please sign up for pizza at the kiosk so we know how much to order.

**We're Hiring!** We are hiring a permanent administrative assistant and we are also hiring a worship coordinator. If you are interested, please contact [admin@secondcrcgrandhaven.org](mailto:admin@secondcrcgrandhaven.org) for a job description and list of responsibilities.

**Love in Action** 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. You may commit for any or all of these Thursday evening sessions (5:45-7:30 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

### March 19, 2023

**Projection:** Eric Wolffis

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

**Ushers:** Steve Marotti (Team 1), Todd Cunningham, David Brace, Eric Wolffis

**Coffee Hosts:** Ken and Mary Terpstra, Dave Vander Wall, Garry Vanden Berg

**Nursery:** Jenny Steigenga, Yasmin Vanderheide

**Little Lambs:** Sheila Warners, Zuidemas

**Walk Out Worship:** Joslyn Wagenmaker, Claire Clapp

**Greeters:** Jason and Anne Zuidema, Jim Query

**Offering:** Faith Promise-Love in Action-Auto Ministry

### March 26, 2023

**Projection:** Dan Braak

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

**Ushers:** Curt DeJongh (Team 2), Gord Buitendorp, Chris Hordyk, Chris VanStraat

**Coffee Hosts:** Kendall and Patti Steigenga, Brian and Barb Sikkenga

**Nursery:** Victoria McCarthy, Maelyn Wagenmaker

**Little Lambs:** Betsy Blackmon, Vivienne McCarthy

**Walk Out Worship:** Cindy Brace, Gabe Schaaf

**Greeters:** Scott and Lisa Alfree, David Brace

**Offering:** Harbor House Ministries

## Calendar

### **Sunday, March 19**

10:00 am—Church Service

11:30 am—Afterword

5:30 pm—Pinewood Derby

### **Monday, March 20**

9 am-12 pm—Office Hours

1:30pm—Ping Pong

### **Tuesday, March 21**

7:30 am—Prayer Team

9 am-12 pm—Office Hours

7 pm—Friendship Club

### **Wednesday, March 22**

9 am-12 pm—Office Hours

1 pm—Knitter's Club

7 pm—Encounters, led by Tim

7 pm—CHAOS

### **Thursday, March 23**

9 am-12 pm—Office Hours

1:30 pm—Women's Bible Hour

5:30-7:30pm—Love in Action

### **Friday, March 24**

### **Saturday, March 25**

### **Sunday, March 26**

10:00 am—Church Service

11:30 am—Afterword

6:30 pm—FOCUS

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## **Connect with Second CRC**

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