



Worship Service for the  
Fourth Sunday of Easter  
April 30, 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:** “Morning Has Broken”  
“This Is My Father’s World”

arr. Hayes  
arr. Lopez

#### \*Call to Worship

Alleluia. The Lord is risen indeed:  
**O come, let us adore him.**

O come, let us sing unto the Lord; let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation. Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving and show ourselves glad in him with psalms.

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

O come, let us worship and fall down, 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 Worship:** “Come, Worship God”

LUYH 509

#### \*Opening Prayer

O God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the Good Shepherd of your people: Grant that, when we hear his voice, we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**\*Hymn of Praise:** “He Knows My Name”

LUYH 339

## Jesus Forgives Sinners

### Call to Confession

Christ died to sin once for all, and now he lives to God. Let us renew our resolve to have done with all that is evil and confess our sins in humility and faith.

**Prayer of Confession** “Your Mercy Flows”

LUYH 700

### Words of Assurance

The God of love and power forgives you and frees you from your sins. He heals and strengthens you by his Spirit, and raises you to new life in Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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

LUYH 679

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

## Jesus Blesses Children

### Blessing for Children:

Almighty and everlasting God, you alone work wonders; Send down upon our children the life-giving Spirit of your grace, shower them with the continual dew of your blessing, and ignite in them a zealous love of your Gospel; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **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 John.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

**Gospel Reading:** John 20:19-31

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Sermon:** No Doubt You Will Meet Christ

**We Respond to Jesus in Faith**

**Prayer**

**Apostles Creed**

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit  
and born of the virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to hell.  
The third day he rose again from the dead.  
He ascended to heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.  
From there he will come 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.**

**\*Hymn of Response:** "We are People on a Journey"

LUYH 142 vs 1,2,4

**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:** Crossroads Prison Ministries

**Offertory:** "In Christ Alone"

arr. Koerts

**Jesus Sends Us into the World**

**\*Sending Song:** "To God be the Glory"

LUYH 956

**\*Benediction**

**Postlude:** "The Solid Rock"

arr. Berry

**Credits & Liturgical Notes:**

- Participants:
  - Rev. Jay Knochenhauer, Preacher
  - Julie Hordyk, Pianist
  - Paul LaMaire, Christie VanderHeide, Vocalists
  - Cal Keuning, Percussionist
  - Henk Ottens, Prayers of the People

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, Gratitude:

Please pray for **Mary Berkenpas**, the sister of Bev Assink. She is having surgery at Mayo Clinic in Rochester MN on May 4. Pray for safe travels, successful surgery, quick healing with no lingering effects, and clear direction in future treatments.

From **Glen Sparling**: A big thank you for all the prayers, cards, and phone calls following my recent surgery. I feel blessed to be part of such a caring church family. Many thanks!

From **Vic and Jean Nienhuis**: Thank you everyone for the birthday cards sent to both of us. We appreciate all the good wishes! Also, thanks to all who came to Jean's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration.

### Announcements:

**Encounters with Jesus**: We will meet on Wednesday, May 3 at 7 pm in the Adult Enrichment room in the basement. Pastor Tim invites anyone interested to gather and read about the upcoming story in John 21:15-19. Hope to see you there!

**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. 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.

**Safe Church Ministry** of Second CRC is grateful for Cara Mazure's training last Sunday. The information was practical as well as informative. If you would like to review the material again or were unable to attend the training, you may participate in the same training by registering for the "Grooming Signs—Prevention Training": <https://bit.ly/preventiontraining2023> scheduled for 5/24/23 from 12:00 to 1:00 pm. Questions or concerns? Contact anyone on our Safe Church team: Emily Bierma, Jane DeGroot, Barb Fritz, or David Kieft. Thank you!

**SWANS**: Our May event will feature making a floral arrangement under the leadership of Sharon Wolters. Please join us on **May 10 at 10:00 AM** in the North Hall. Cost will be \$10, which includes vase and flowers. Reservations are necessary by May 8. Call or text Lone at loneLloydh@gmail.com or 616-502-8477. Think spring!

**Blessing Bags** are available after worship at a table in the Atrium. Your Outreach Team—Steve M., Mary E., or Joanne Q.—are available for further information. Also, check the bulletin board by the mailboxes for recent pictures and communications from several Faith Promise missionaries.

**Faith Promise Update: Don Slager** had a successful trip to Liberia in March and arrived back home safely. He worked with both the Maan and Dan translation teams. Charles was able to work with him on the Maan translations. Don left for Turkey on April 27 and will spend a week in Turkey with colleagues from around the world. Then he will travel to Liberia for a week with his granddaughter and a friend and will show the country and his ministry to them. On the way back home they will spend a day in the Netherlands. Pray that all his travels go smoothly.

**New City Kids:** 15 of their high schools students enjoyed a four-day college tour. Summer Camp is around the corner. The New City Bike Tour will be held on August 12 and will start at New City Kids in Grand Rapids and end at Second CRC in Grand Haven.

**The Hamiltons:** This year they offered two Spring Break Trips. There was a local option around Kalamazoo for students who had to work over the break and a trip to Florida. Dan helped to lead the trip to Florida and the theme was "Good News!" They spent the week learning about the good news of Jesus, what it is, and how it impacts our identify, community and purpose. They also equipped the students with ways they can share the good news of Jesus with their friends Continue to pray for outreach and follow up opportunities.

**Update from Council:** The Full Council is pleased to present to the congregation the list of nominees for office bearers. We will ask the congregation to affirm these nominees on Sunday, May 14. With the exception of the Leadership Deacon position, there are only single nominees for each office, meaning those nominated will be serving in their respective positions. In the Leadership Deacon category, there are two nominees needed for one position. Thus, we will draw lots for that position on Sunday, May 21. We are also thankful that 12 individuals were willing to serve as Care Board Members and they will all be welcomed to the existing teams for a 1-year, renewable term. We give thanks for all those who gave thought and prayer to using their talents to serve in each capacity and for those who were willing and able to commit to actively serving.

Leadership Board Elder (need 1) – Jim Warners

Connection Board Deacon (need 1) – Rick Clapp

Leadership Board Deacon (need 1) - Kraig Brolick and Deborah Erickson

Care Board Elder (need 3) – Anne Zuidema, Dennis Schaaf, Steve Marotti

Care Board Member – Mary Wierenga, Barb Hammond, Carole Ruiten, Cherise Vander Heide, Henk and Sharon Ottens, Manette DeJonge, Norma Schuitema, Sharon Wolters, Robin Kieft, Christi Vander Heide, Mary Winkle

**Next weekend:** Rev. Jay Knochenhauer will be preaching on May 7. The Blackmon family will be in Wheaton celebrating Jessica's college graduation ceremony. \*(A little bird told me that Pastor Tim's birthday is May 7).

**Save the Date** for a special two-week series on Prayer with **Tom Schwanda** on May 14 & 21 at 11:30 AM in the sanctuary after the worship service. We will look at Luke 11:1-4, Matthew 6:9-15, and John 17. Both sessions will include practical prayer exercises. Tom served for nearly two decades as pastor of three congregations, worked as an editor for Baker Books and Zondervan, and is Associate Professor of Christian Formation & Ministry Emeritus at Wheaton. He has taught various seminary courses in Christian spirituality and worship and teaches D.Min courses at Fuller Seminary. Tom says, "One of my great challenges and joys is to guide learners into discovering the rich treasures of Christian spirituality. Too often, we separate the mind and experience as if they are unrelated. However, truth that is removed from experience is always left in doubt... In my retirement I continue to teach and write and my desire for this new phase of my life is to help people grow in deeper intimacy with Jesus Christ."

## Volunteer Schedule

### April 30, 2023

**Projection:** Dan Braak

**Video:** Chuck DeWitt, Jim Query, Jay Brace, Harley Dyk

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

**Coffee Hosts:** Jim and Joanne Query, Hank and Sharon Otten

**Nursery:** Ruth Marotti, Dawn Rotman

**Little Lambs:** Laura Knochenhauer, Zuidemas

**Walk Out Worship:** Barb Fritz, Claire Clapp

**Greeters:** Art and Marilyn Bolt, Glenn Gronevelt

**Offering:** Crossroads Prison Ministries

### May 7, 2023

**Projection:** Eric Wolffis

**Video:** Chuck DeWitt, Jason Zuidema, Mark Boelens, Dirk Weesies

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

**Coffee Hosts:** Jonathan and Renee Mulder, Jim Mulder, Ron Retsema

**Nursery:** Deeann Hordyk, Kerry Bierma

**Little Lambs:** Betsy Blackmon, Zuidemas

**Walk Out Worship:** Emily Bierma, Gabe Schaaf

**Greeters:** Dan and Debbie Braak, Mike Katje

**Offering:** Safe Church Ministry

## Calendar

### **Sunday, April 30**

10:00 am–Sunday Service

### **Monday, May 1**

9 am-12 pm–Office Hours

1:30 pm–Ping Pong

### **Tuesday, May 2**

7:30 am–Prayer Team

9 am-12 pm–Office Hours

7 pm–Friendship Club

### **Wednesday, May 3**

9 am-12 pm–Office Hours

1 pm–Knitter’s Club

7 pm–Encounters, led by Tim

7 pm–CHAOS

### **Thursday, May 4**

9 am-12 pm–Office Hours

5:30-7:30pm–Love in Action

### **Friday, May 5**

### **Saturday, May 6**

### **Sunday, May 7**

10:00 am–Sunday Service

11:30 am–Afterword with Rev. Jay Knochenhauer

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## **Connect with Second CRC**

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