



Worship Service for
Fourth After Pentecost
June 25, 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!

God Gathers His People

Prelude “Psalm 121”
“Praise to the Lord”

arr. Grotenhuis
arr. Bish

*Call to Worship

I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come?

My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber.

Behold, he who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

The Lord is your keeper; the Lord is your shade on your right hand. The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night. The Lord will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life. The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore.

Blessed be the name of the Lord. We worship Him!

(Psalm 121)

***Hymn of Worship** “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

LUYH 575

*Opening Prayer

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name, increase in us true faith, nourish us with all goodness, and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

***Song of Praise** “How Great Is Our God”

LUYH 574

God Reconciles Us to Himself

Call to Confession

As we confess our sins, this is our confidence: For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us. As a father shows compassion to his children, so the Lord shows compassion to those who fear him.

Prayer of Confession

**Almighty and most merciful Father,
we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep.
We have followed too much the devices, and desires of our own hearts.
We have offended against your holy laws.
We have left undone those things which we ought to have done,
and we have done those things which we ought not to have done;
and apart from your grace, there is no health in us.
O Lord, have mercy upon us.
Spare all those who confess their faults.
Restore all those who are penitent, according to your promises,
declared to all people in Christ Jesus our Lord.
And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake,
that we may now live a godly, righteous, and sober life,
to the glory of your holy Name. Amen**

Words of Assurance

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who heartily repent and turn to him with true faith, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

***Song of Assurance** “Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)”

LUYH 693 vs 1-3

***Welcome and Greeting**

God Speaks His Word

Blessing for Children

Lord, may your Word be a lantern to their feet and a light upon their path.
Revive them, O Lord, according to your word. May they claim your testimonies as
their heritage forever, the very joy of their hearts. Amen. (From Psalm 119)

Children Leave for Walkout Worship

(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).

Hear the Word of our Lord in the Gospel of Mark.
Glory to you, O Lord.

Scripture Reading Mark 4:26-29

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon ““While you were Sleeping”

***Song of Response** “Come, You Thankful People, Come”

LUYH 473 vs 1,2,4

God Hears Our Prayers

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.**

God Receives Our Gifts

Offering World Renew – Clean Water Sunday

Offertory “Lord, We Hear Your Word with Gladness”

LUYH 766

God Blesses Us to Go into the World

***Sending Song** “Sing to the King”

LUYH 474

***Benediction**

Postlude “Allegro Maestoso Vivace”

adapted by Russell

Credits & Liturgical Notes

Participants:

Rev. Jay Knochenhauer, Preacher
Cathy Schaaf, Organ
Julie Hordyk, Pianist
Karen Katje, Flutist
Curt DeJongh, Christie VanderHeide, Vocalists
David Hoekema, Prayers of the People

We display all music and congregational readings on the screen. LUYH (red hymnal) and SNC (green) are 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:

Lee Vontom passed away Wednesday June 21. Arrangements to be announced by Klaassen Family Funeral Home.

Sharon Wolters had replacement surgery on Wednesday. She covets our prayers for a full recovery.

Barb Brummel will be having Lasik eye surgery at University of Michigan on Monday June 26. Please pray for a successful surgery and recovery.

Ione Hoekenga had successful back surgery and she is at Mary Free Bed for therapy and hopes to be discharged soon. Thank you for your prayers and your caring thoughts.

Carol Brouwer had successful back surgery and is recovering at home. She and Ron ask for prayers for a continued healing and a full recovery.

Ione Hoekenga's son-in-law, *Paul Bakker*, passed away last Saturday. The funeral was held Thursday at Covenant Life Church. Please keep Lory and their sons in your prayers.

Announcements:

Updates from Full Council: The proposed FY 2024 budget was overwhelmingly passed by the congregation on Sunday June 18. The council would like to thank the congregation for their generous support of the ministries of our church.

Updates from Leadership Board: At the recommendation of the Outreach Committee, the Leadership Board added Ben Veurink to our Faith Promise missionary list. Ben is currently with a team working on a new church plant in Cali, Colombia and has close family ties with our church. Support for Ben became available in our Faith Promise program when Scott and Mary Crickmore retired.

Atrium Art Gallery: Today at 11:30, there will be an “Art from the Ottens Family” reception.

Blessing Bags: Thanks to all in the congregation who have picked-up bags. We have 13 left that can be picked-up through June in the Atrium after church or in the office. After you give out your Blessing Bag, will you share the experience with Outreach Team members and help us build a Story Book of Blessings. Write a quick story and place in the Outreach mailbox, e-mail, or share your story with Steve Marrotti, Mary Erickson, or Joanne Query.

Bridal Shower: Please ***sign up by today*** to celebrate on Saturday July 1 at 9:30am, Mikaela Erickson's upcoming wedding to Sam Markham.

Graduates: At the Information desk are journals for the congregation to write or attach a note of congratulations, wisdom or prayer for Jack, Matt and Bri.

New Members Class: Thank you to those who attended the New Members Class during the last two Sundays. The next step will be a scheduled meeting with Pastor Tim and someone from Council. Please let [Amy Wolffis](#) know if you are interested in taking this next step, and we will get you on the calendar.

Prayer Group: There is a virtual prayer group that meets from 7:30-8:30am on Tuesdays via Zoom. If you'd like to join, email Amy Wolffis and she'll provide you with the meeting invite.

Vacation Bible School: We would love to see a large group of kids attend our Stellar VBS this year on July 10-13. Please help spread the word either in person, text, phone call or share the information from the church's Facebook page. We also have small flyers on the Welcome/Visitor desk that you can take and pass out to families. If you are willing to help with VBS this year, please sign up at the Welcome/Visitor desk. We are just under three weeks away and could use more helpers.

Volunteer Schedule

June 25, 2023

Projection: Dan Braak

Video: Harley Dyk, Jim Query, Jay Brace, Ethan Hodge

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

Coffee Hosts: David & Robin Kieft, Jamie & Amy Goorman

Nursery: Kerry Bierma, Kim Van Stratt, Rosemary Geertsma

Little Lambs: Sheila Warners, Van Stratt Kid Walk Out Worship: Cindy Brace, Gabe Schaaf

Greeters: Amy Goorman, Todd & Amy Cunningham

Offering: World Renew: Clean Water Sunday

July 2, 2023

Projection: Ben McCarthy

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

Ushers: Dan Braak (Team 5), Jeff Erickson, Joe Risselade, Paula Risselade

Coffee Hosts: Mike & Karen Katje, Chris & Julie Hordyk

Nursery: Mary Terpstra, Cherise VanderHeide, Sam/Chris Farrar

Little Lambs: Sam/Chris Farrar, Clapp Kid

Walk Out Worship: Sheri Van Duyn, Clapp Kid

Greeters: Rick Clapp, Bob & Manette De Jonge

Offering: Bible League International

Calendar

Sunday, June 25

10:00 AM—Sunday Service

11:30 AM—Otten's Art Reception

Monday, June 26

9 AM-1 PM—Office Hours

Tuesday June 27

7:30-8:30 AM Prayer Group

9 AM-1 PM—Office Hours

Wednesday, June 28

9 AM-1 PM—Office Hours

1PM—Knitting Club

Thursday, June 29

9 AM-12 PM —Office Hours

Friday, June 30

Saturday, July 1

Sunday, July 2

10:00 AM—Sunday Service

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