



Eighth Sunday After Pentecost  
July 23, 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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## God Gathers His People

**Prelude** Now With Joyful Exultation

arr. Hustad

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

Come, let us sing to the Lord!

**Let us shout joyfully to the Rock of our salvation.**

**Let us come to him with thanksgiving.**

**Let us sing psalms of praise to him.**

For the Lord is a great God, a great King above all gods. He holds in his hands the depths of the earth and the mightiest mountains. The sea belongs to him, for he made it. His hands formed the dry land, too.

**Come, let us worship and bow down. Let us kneel before the Lord our maker.**

(Psalm 95:1-6)

**\*Hymn of Praise** “My God, How Wonderful You Are”

LUYH 548 vs. 1-3,6

### **\*Opening Prayer**

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**

**\*Song of Worship** “Shout to the Lord”

LUYH 603

## God Reconciles Us to Himself

### Call to Confession

Dearly beloved, we have come together in the presence of Almighty God our heavenly Father, to give thanks for the great benefits we have received from his hands, to sing his most worthy praise, to hear his holy Word, and to ask, for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things that are necessary for our life and our salvation. And so that we may prepare ourselves in heart and mind to worship him, let us come before him to confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

### Prayer of Confession

O God the Father, Creator of heaven and earth,  
**Have mercy upon us.**

O God the Son, Redeemer of the world,  
**Have mercy upon us.**

O God the Holy Spirit, Sanctifier of the faithful,  
**Have mercy upon us.**

O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, one God,  
**Have mercy upon us.**

Remember not, Lord Christ, our offenses, nor the offenses  
of our forefathers; neither reward us according to our sins.

Have mercy upon us, good Lord, spare your people, whom you have redeemed with  
your most precious blood, and by your mercy preserve us, forever.

**Have mercy upon us.**

From all evil and wickedness; from sin; from the crafts and assaults of the devil; and  
from everlasting damnation,

**Good Lord, deliver us.**

From all blindness of heart; from pride and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred, and malice;  
**Good Lord, deliver us.**

From all sinful desires; and from all the deceits of the world, the flesh, and the devil,  
**Good Lord, deliver us.**

From all false doctrine, heresy, and schism; from hardness of heart, and contempt of your Word and commandment,  
**Good Lord, deliver us.**

## **Words of Assurance**

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

## **\*Welcome and Mutual Greeting**

### **God Speaks His Word**

## **Blessing for Children**

**We give you thanks for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; Give our children such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts they may show forth your praise, not only with their lips, but in their lives, by giving up themselves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness 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).

## **Scripture Reading Psalm 73**

## **Prayer for Illumination**

## **Sermon “Real Honesty”**

### **We Respond in Faith**

## **\*Hymn of Application “The Day of the Lord”**

Wendell Kimbrough

## **The Apostle's 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.**

## **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** Positive Options

**Offertory** Lord of All Good

LUYH 879

## God Blesses Us to Go into the World

**\*Sending/Doxology Song** “My Friends, May You Grow in Grace”

LUYH 938

**\*Benediction**

**Postlude** “Largo in G”

Stanley

## Credits & Liturgical Notes

Participants:     Rev. Tim Blackmon, Preacher  
                     Amy Wolffis, Liturgist  
                     Cathy Schaaf, Organist  
                     Jan Zuidema, Pianist  
                     Christie Vander Heide, Paul LaMaire, Vocalists

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:

Don Schaaf, the brother of *Dennis and Mary Jo Schaaf*, passed away on Sunday. He was from Oak Brook, IL. Please keep Dennis, Mary Jo and Don's family in your prayers.

Several of our students and Rob will be doing a rafting trip next week in West Virginia. Please pray for safety and a good time of fellowship.

### Announcements:

**Leadership Board:** At the July meeting the following individuals were selected to serve as officers: President of Council – Dan Meindersma, Treasurer – David Vander Heide, and Clerk – Jim Warners.

**Updates from Staff:** The Bierma family will be moving to Holland this fall. Due to this transition, Emily will be leaving her position as Children's Ministry Coordinator. If you know anyone with a passion for training up children for the Lord, please have them contact Amy Wolffis or Pastor Tim for the job description. We are so grateful for all the ways Emily has helped our children and church grow over the last several years.

**Children's Ministries:** Do you have any lightly used or new games that are appropriate for 5 year olds through 9 year olds? We want to have a small space in the walk out worship room with games for when services go longer than the time needed for the lesson. You can drop off any games on Emily Bierma's desk in the office.

**Graduation Journals:** They are on the Welcome/ Visitor desk, and we could use more words of wisdom/encouragement written in them. This is something that the students will keep with them for a long time and look back on every so often. Please take the time to write something in them or email Rob something to paste in them - [rwagenmaker@hotmail.com](mailto:rwagenmaker@hotmail.com)

## Volunteer Schedule

### July 23, 2023

**Projection:** Dan Braak

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

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

**Coffee Hosts:** David & Susan Hoekema, Rick & Rosemary Geertsma

**Nursery:** Victoria McCarthy, Cathy Brolick, Amy Anderson

**Little Lambs:** Sheila Warners, Emily Bierma

**Walk Out Worship:** Marie Rycenga, Vivienne McCarthy

**Greeters:** Steve Marotti, Harley & Maryann Dyk

**Offering:** Positive Options

### July 30, 2023

**Projection:** Ben McCarthy

**Video:** Chuck DeWitt     Jason Zuidema, Dirk Weesies, Harley Dyk

**Ushers:** Eric Rotman (Team 9), Ron Frantz, Dave VanderWall, Jason Zuidema

**Coffee Hosts:** Curt & Mary DeJongh, Alan & Cyndie VanDyke

**Nursery:** Mary Terpstra, Betsy Blackmon

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

**Walk Out Worship:** Emily Bierma, Yasmin VanderHeide

**Greeters:** Dan Meindertsma, Ron & Patrice Frantz

**Offering:** Rehoboth Christian School

## Calendar

### **Sunday, July 23**

10:00 AM—Sunday Service

11:30 AM—Afterword on Synod 2023

### **Monday, July 24**

9 AM-1 PM—Office Hours

12PM-6PM—Red Cross Blood Drive

### **Tuesday July 25**

7:30 AM – Prayer Group

9 AM-1 PM—Office Hours

### **Wednesday, July 26**

9 AM-1 PM—Office Hours

### **Thursday, July 27**

9 AM-1 PM—Office Hours

### **Friday, July 28**

### **Saturday, July 29**

### **Sunday, July 30**

10:00 AM—Sunday Service

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