



Worship Service for the  
Last Sunday of Epiphany  
February 11, 2024

*Welcome visitors, we are glad you are here! Please fill out a Welcome Card (in the pew rack) and place it in the offering basket. Also, join us for coffee after church so we can meet you!*

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## The Gathering

**Prelude** "From All that Dwell Below the Skies"

arr. Lowe/Innes

### The Greeting

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father  
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you  
**and also with you.**

### Welcome

#### \* Mutual Greeting

The peace of Christ be with you  
**And also with you.**

## We Worship the Triune God of Grace

#### \*Call to Worship

My heart is ready, O God, my heart is ready;  
I will sing and give you praise.  
**Awake, my soul; awake, harp and lyre, that I may awaken the dawn.**

I will give you thanks, O Lord, among the peoples;  
I will sing praise to you among the nations.  
**For your loving-kindness is as high as the heavens  
and your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.**

Be exalted, O God, above the heavens and your glory over all the earth.

**That your beloved may be delivered,  
save us by your right hand and answer me.**

(Psalm 18:1-6)

**\*Hymn of Praise** “From All That Dwell Below the Skies”

LUYH 570

**\*Prayer of Preparation**

O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, you have brought us safely to the beginning of this day: Defend us by your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin nor run into any danger; and that, guided by your Spirit, we may do what is righteous in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

**\*Song** “Ten Thousand Reasons”

LUYH 559

**Call to Confession**

Hear the commandments which God has given to his people and examine your hearts.  
I am the Lord your God: you shall have no other gods but me.

**Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

You shall not make for yourself any idol.

**Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

You shall not dishonor the name of the Lord your God.

**Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

Remember the Sabbath and keep it holy.

**Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

Honor your father and your mother.

**Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

You shall not commit murder.

**Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

You shall not commit adultery.

**Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

You shall not steal.  
**Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.  
**Amen. Lord, have mercy.**  
You shall not covet anything which belongs to your neighbor.  
**Amen. Lord, have mercy upon us**  
**and write all these, your laws, in our hearts.**

## **Prayer of Confession**

**Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,**  
**we confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed.**  
**We have not loved you with our whole heart.**  
**We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**  
**In your mercy forgive what we have been,**  
**help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be;**  
**that we may do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God.**  
**Amen.**

## **Words of Assurance**

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent,  
have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins,  
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## **The Liturgy of The Word**

### **The Blessing of our Children**

O God, the King eternal, whose light divides the day from the night  
and turns the shadow of death into the morning:  
Drive far from us and from our children, all wrong desires,  
incline their hearts to keep your law, and guide their feet into the way of peace;  
that, having done your will with cheerfulness during the day,  
they may rejoice to give you thanks; through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## **Children Leave for Walk Out Worship**

(Children 5 through 2nd grade are invited to follow the banner to Walk Out Worship.  
Parents will find the classroom on the lower level, near the nurseries.)

## **Prayer for Illumination “Speak, O Lord”**

LUYH 755

## **Gospel Reading**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

### **Mark 3:20-35**

This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **Sermon: Whose Side Are You On?**

## **Covenant Renewal**

### **\*Hymn of Response “There is a Redeemer”**

LUYH 833

### **\*The 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.**

## The Prayers of the People

**The Offering:** Mobility Worldwide

**Offertory:** “We Are People on a Journey”

LUYH 142 vs 1,2,4

**\*Hymn of Sending:** “Christian Hearts is Love United”

LUYH 727 vs 1,3

## Benediction

**Postlude:** “The Lord Bless You and Keep You”

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## Credits & Liturgical Notes

Participants:

**Preacher:** Rev. Tim Blackmon

**Flute:** Karen Katje

**Piano:** Julie Hordyk

**Organ:** Cathy Schaaf

**Liturgist & Prayer of the People:** Sheila Warners

**Vocalists:** Paul LaMaire, Christie VanderHeide

We display all music and 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.

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## Prayer Requests, Praises, Gratitude:

*Agnes DeBoer* was released from the hospital on Sunday.

*Carol Brouwer* requests prayers for a speedy recovery, following the back surgery she had on Monday.

*Ken Westveld* will have outpatient surgery on Tuesday February 13 to remove a stent placed for issues with kidney stones. Please pray that the procedure will be successful.

## Announcements:

**Today's Offering:** Mobility Worldwide is a faith-based organization which began in July of 2009 to change the lives of leg handicapped children in developing countries by giving them a Mobility Cart.

**Ash Wednesday:** We will have an Ash Wednesday service this week, February 14 at 7pm. There will not be a meal beforehand.

**Book Club:** We will meet on Monday February 19, at 1:30 pm in the parlor. Agnes Fisher will lead the discussion of the book, "Enemies in the Orchard" by Dana Vanderlugt.

**Bridal Shower:** SAVE THE DATE! Jameson Goorman is marrying Shelby May in August! We would love to shower them with our gifts and blessings on Monday evening, April 29, at 7 pm. More details to follow, but please mark the date on your calendars!

**Cuba Mission Trip:** Imagine Cuba trying to change its economy by inviting more businesses from other countries. This can be good and bad: some Cubans may find new jobs, but others might struggle with higher prices and fewer everyday things like food, gas, and even medicine being available. It's a tough situation. This is why we're excited to have 28 of us traveling to Cuba this summer! We'll be bringing the love and support of Jesus to people facing these hardships. Remember those words from Galatians: "We were set free, but that doesn't mean we can do whatever we want. Use your freedom to help others!" That's exactly what we hope to do in Cuba.

**Cuba Financial Support:** Join us in spreading love and support to our brothers and sisters in Cuba! We're launching an Envelope Drive to raise funds for our upcoming mission trip. Here's how it works: simply pick up an envelope from the Welcome Desk, and contribute the amount shown on the front. Sunday morning, drop your filled envelope into the offering plate. Your generosity will help make a meaningful impact in Cuba. Together, let's make a difference!

**Mom's Hiking Group (Indoors):** We will be meeting at church on Wednesday February 21 at 12:30pm and on Wednesday March 13 at 12:30pm for a time of fellowship and fitness. Questions, contact *Amy Anderson* at [grow@secondcrcgrandhaven.org](mailto:grow@secondcrcgrandhaven.org).

**Pinewood Derby:** Rev up your engines and join us for our Church/Community Pinewood Derby Race! On March 17th at 5:30pm, come and experience the excitement as cars zoom down the track. Pizza will be provided to fuel your enthusiasm. Want to get in on the action? Talk to Rob Wagenmaker, Student Ministries Director, about snagging a car to paint or a block to build your very own speedster. Don't miss out and please invite a friend!

**Projection Team:** We are looking for someone to be a substitute on the projection schedule, in particular for special services during Lent. A brief training will prepare you for the task. Please contact either Dan Braak at [daniel\\_braak@yahoo.com](mailto:daniel_braak@yahoo.com) or Harley Dyk at

**Red Cross Blood Drive:** Our church will be hosting a Blood Drive for the American Red Cross on Friday February 16 from 12pm-6pm. You may register to donate from our website's calendar.

**Sanctuary Choir:** We will rehearse again next week Thursday Feb 15 at 7pm. Upcoming Dates: February 22 and 29.

**SWAN's:** Let's celebrate Valentine's Day together with a lunch at Lakeside Eats on Wednesday, February 14 at 11:00 a.m. The restaurant is located at 216 Washington in Grand Haven (Next to Borr's Bootery). Call Carole at 616-502-2015 for reservations. Also, mark your calendar for March 20, at 1:30 at church for a fun time playing Bunco!

**Tool Time:** We will resume our study on the Gospel of John on Saturday February 17 from 7:30-8:30am at church. Coffee and donuts are provided. Please contact Rick Geertsma at 616.402.9791 for more information. Upcoming Dates: March 2 and 16.

**Vacation Bible School 2024:** Calling all kids from ages 4 years old to 5th grade to join us for SCUBA on July 8 to 11, from 9:45 am to 11:45 am. Children will uncover the truth that God is a faithful friend who loves them endlessly. Also, we're seeking passionate people to elevate this experience for the kids. Interested in contributing ideas? Please reach out to *Rob Wagenmaker* or call him at 616.638.0976 if you'd like to help.

## Volunteer Schedule

### February 11, 2024

**Projection:** Dan Braak

**Video:** Mark Boelens, Jim Query, Dirk Weesies, Jacob Weesies

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

**Coffee Hosts:** Fred & Martha Vanden Brand/ Chris & Kim Van Stratt

**Nursery:** Carisa Marotti, Rosemary Geertsma

**Little Lambs:** Betsy Blackmon, Sydney Marotti

**Walk Out Worship:** Cindy Brace, Laura Knochenhauer

**Greeters:** Jim Warners, Kendall & Patti Steigenga

**Offering:** Mobility Worldwide (West Michigan)

### February 14, 2024- Ash Wednesday

**Projection:** Dan Braak

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

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

### February 18, 2024

**Projection:** Eric Wolffis

**Video:** Chuck DeWitt, Jim Query, Dirk Weesies, Jacob Weesies

**Ushers:** Ron Brouwer (Team 6), Dave VanderHeide, Rob Wagenmaker, Doug Zuidema

**Coffee Hosts:** Yvonne Sparling/ Carole Ruiter/ Brian & Kerry Bierma

**Nursery:** Dawn Rotman, Ruth Marotti

**Little Lambs:** Jane DeGroot, Gabe Schaaf

**Walk Out Worship:** Marie Rycenga, Ian Clapp

**Greeters:** Anne Zuidema, Ken & Mary Terpstra

**Offering:** Love In Action's Auto Ministry

## Calendar

### **Sunday, February 11**

10:00 AM—Sunday Service

### **Monday, February 12**

9AM-1 PM—Office Hours

1:30 PM- Ping Pong

### **Tuesday, February 13**

9 AM-1 PM—Office Hours

7 PM – Care Team

### **Wednesday, February 14**

9 AM-1 PM—Office Hours

11 AM- Swans at Lakeside Eats

1:30 PM Knitting Club

7:00 PM Ash Wednesday Service

### **Thursday, February 15**

9 AM-1PM—Office Hours

### **Friday, February 16**

12:30 PM – January Series

### **Saturday, February 17**

### **Sunday, February 18**

10:00 AM—Sunday Service

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## **Connect with Second CRC**

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