

Worship Service for Third Sunday of Easter April 14, 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!

The Gathering

Prelude "Prelude from the *Well Tempered Clavier*" "Celtic Bells"

J.S. Bach S. Kanga

The Greeting

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

*Mutual Greeting

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

We Worship the Triune God of Grace

*Call to Worship

Rejoice, heavenly powers! Sing, choirs of angels! O Universe, dance around God's throne! **Jesus Christ, our King, is risen!**

Sound the victorious trumpet of salvation!
Rejoice, O earth, in glory, revealing the splendor of your creation, radiant in the brightness of your triumphant King!
Christ has conquered! Darkness vanishes forever!

Rejoice, O Church! Exult in glory!
The risen Savior, our Lord of life, shines upon you! **Let all God's people sing and shout for joy.**

*Hymn of Praise "Morning Has Broken"

Farjeon/Grotenhuis

*Prayer of Preparation

God of glory, by the raising of your Son you have broken the chains of death and hell: fill your Church with faith and hope; for a new day has dawned and the way to life stands open in our Savior Jesus Christ.

Amen.

*Song of Worship "Christ is Alive! Let Christians Sing"

LUYH 206 vs 1,2,5

Confession

Call to Confession

In baptism we died with Christ, so that as Christ was raised from the dead, we might walk in newness of life.

Let us receive new life in him as we confess our sins in childlike faith and trust.

Prayer of Confession

Jesus Christ, risen Master and triumphant Lord, we come to you in sorrow for our sins, and confess to you our weakness and unbelief.

We have lived by our own strength, and not by the power of your resurrection. In your mercy, forgive us.

Lord, hear us and help us.

We have lived by the light of our own eyes, as faithless and not believing. In your mercy, forgive us.

Lord, hear us and help us.

We have lived for this world alone, and doubted our home in heaven. In your mercy, forgive us. Lord, hear us and help us.

Words of Assurance

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

*Song of Assurance "Great Are You Lord"

Ingram/Jordan/Leonard

The Means of Grace

The Blessing of our Children

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all 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 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.)

Scripture Reading

Psalm 8 p.450

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Sermon "Your heavens, the work of your fingers"

Covenant Renewal

*Hymn of Response "Rejoice in All Your Works"

Kimbrough

*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

Ministry Moment: Faith Promise

The Offering: Resonate Global Mission

Offertory "Psalm 8" Dutch Hymnbook

*Hymn of Sending "My God, How Wonderful You are" LUYH 548 1,2,4,6

Benediction

Postlude "The Glory of God in Nature"

Beethoven

Credits & Liturgical Notes

Preaching: Rev. Jay Knochenhauer

Organ: Cathy Schaaf

Piano: Julie Hordyk

Liturgist: Rev. Tim Blackmon

Prayer of the People: Rob Wagenmaker **Vocalists:** Rob Wagenmaker, Patrice Frantz

We display all music and readings on the screen. LUYH (red hymnal) in the pew rack. Large print bulletins are available in the narthex. OneLicense.net #A-721176, CCLI#77507

Prayer Requests, Praises & Gratitude

Jamie Goorman's father Jim Goorman continues antibiotic IV treatments for pain in his lower back caused by osteomyelitis. Please keep Jim and the rest of the Goorman family in your prayers.

Garrison Koch is recovering at home from his heart procedure. Garrison, Ann and their kids appreciate your prayers very much.

Ruth Wallinga is at Heartwood Lodge for rehabilitation. We anticipate that she'll be there for a couple weeks.

Ray Kuiper has returned home from Grand Pines.

"Thank you for your prayers, cards, visits and phone calls. We could feel your prayers surrounding us during Dave's recovery." \sim Dave & Barb Weesies.

"Many, many thanks for the volume of awesome cookies you all provided for the Campus Ministry evening at GVSU. It was so affirming to meet enthusiastic young people preparing to praise the Lord! The Campus Ministry leadership is thankful for the support from area churches as they encourage 400+ young people in their faith and love of Christ "~ *Outreach Team*

Announcements:

This Sunday's Offering: Resonate Global Mission spreads the good news through CRC churches, neighborhoods, and communities around the world.

Profession of Faith: If any students are interested in making a Profession of Faith, please talk with Rob Wagenmaker for more information.

Midweek Gathering: A 5-week Bible Study with dinner and children's programs will return this coming Wednesday April 17 and run through Wednesday May 15.

Out of the Depths: The Gospel According to Jonah with Rev. Tim Blackmon
This "Dig Deeper" Bible study delves into the book of Jonah, complementing Pastor
Tim's upcoming sermon series.

The Mind of Christ: Beatitudes Change Attitudes with Amy Anderson
In this course, we will seek to learn the mind of Christ as we continue to be amazed at
His teaching. We will climb the mountain to sit at Jesus' feet as disciples, hungry to
learn what true blessing looks like as we study the Eight Beatitudes in the Sermon on
the Mount.

Please sign up at the Welcome Desk to attend dinner, a study, or help with the meal your district is hosting. All are welcome, even if you can only come a few Wednesdays.

New Members Class: For those interested in membership or learning more about Second CRC, save the dates of Sunday April 21 and Sunday April 28. If you plan to attend, please let Amy Wolffis, admin@secondcrcgrandhaven.org know by April 17th.

Book Club: Our next meeting will be on Monday April 15, at 1:30 in the parlor. The book to discuss is "The Dearly Beloved," by Cara Wall. Anyone wishing to join us is welcome.

Cuba Mission Trip: Things are tough in Cuba right now, but the Cuban people are incredibly strong and hopeful. Their churches are like beacons of support and comfort, and they're finding creative ways to overcome challenges. Our mission trip gives us a chance to be there for them, by offering practical help, and by sharing the love and compassion of Jesus. We can walk alongside them, learn from their experiences, and offer a helping hand when needed.

Cuba Financial Support: We've launched an Envelope Drive to raise funds for our Summer mission trip. Here's how it works: simply pick up an envelope from the Welcome Desk, and contribute the amount shown on the front. On Sunday morning, drop your filled envelope into the offering plate. Your generosity will help support our efforts to provide for our brothers and sisters in Cuba.

Dessert Bridal Shower: On Monday evening, April 29th at 7pm, you are invited to a dessert shower celebrating Jameson Goorman's marriage to Shelby May on August 10th. They are registered at Target, Crate & Barrel, Amazon, and on The Knot.com. *Please sign up by Sunday, April 21st* at the Welcome Desk. Everyone is invited! Please remember, all gifts are given anonymously.

Love in Action: Our next Food Drive for the LIA Central Food Pantry is Friday April 19. The need for food continues to be high in our area. All Items can be used but we especially need: Chunky Soup, Canned Fruit (Pineapple, Applesauce, Mixed Fruit), Rice Sides, Pasta Sides, Black Beans, Baked Beans, Cereal, Granola Bars and Smaller Pop-Top Cans of Ready to Eat items. If you can donate any of these items, please drop them off in the church parking lot on Friday, April 19 between 9 a.m. and 12 noon. Please contact Ron Brouwer with any questions or concerns.

Men's Softball: Get ready to swing for the fences because our church softball team is making a comeback! We'll be participating in the men's league on Monday nights, starting April 29th and running through the middle of July. It's a fantastic opportunity to bond with fellow church members, enjoy some friendly competition, and have a blast on the diamond. If you're ready to step up to the plate and join our team, please contact Rob Wagenmaker at 616-638-0976 or rwagenmaker@hotmail.com to sign up or for more information.

Mom's Hiking Group: Join us at Hemlock Crossing on Saturday April 27 at 2:30 PM. The address is 8115 W Olive Rd, West Olive, MI 49460. Questions, please contact Amy Anderson.

VBS 2024: We hope to "sea" all our kids ages 4 years to 5th grade for SCUBA, on July 8 to 11, from 9:45 am to 11:45 am. Children will be diving in to 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. Please reach out to Rob Wagenmaker at 616.638.0976 or rwagenmaker@hotmail.com.

Jon Troast in Concert: On Sunday April 28, at 4:00 pm, Jon Troast, will be in concert at SL CRC. Jon is a pianist and Christian singer-songwriter who grew up in the Midwest and currently lives in Bloomington, IL. He has lived, recorded, and performed in Nashville. Jon has currently serves as a Music Director in Bloomington, IL. Please invite family and friends to an afternoon of praise, music and good fellowship. Refreshments are provided after the concert.

Western Michigan Christian is nearing the end a visioning process for a long-range infrastructure plan for the school including, but not limited to, the school building and property. The Vision Team is planning a full presentation in collaboration with our spring Community Forum on Wednesday April 17, at 6pm in the Big Room at WMC. On that night you will see what WMC can become as they move forward to educate with excellence, integrate faith with knowledge, and equip students to work and serve Christ in their communities.

Volunteer Schedule

April 14, 2024

Projection: Eric Wolffis **Sound:** Mike Katje

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

Weesies

Ushers: Rick Geertsma (Team 4), Rosemary Geertsma,

Dirk Weesies, Ralph VanDuyn

Coffee Hosts: Ryan & Victoria McCarthy/ Steve & Ruth

Marotti

Nursery: Kerry Bierma, Cathy Brolick

Little Lambs: Laura Knochenhauer, Yasmin VanderHeide Walk Out Worship: Barb Fritz, Maelyn Wagenmaker Greeters: Dennis Schaaf, Rob & Joslyn Wagenmaker

Offering: Resonate Global Mission

April 21, 2024

Projection: Dan Braak **Sound:** Rick Clapp

Video: Mark Boelens, Jason Zuidema, Dirk Weesies, Ethan

Hodge

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

Paula Risselade

Coffee Hosts: Glen & Mary Wierenga/ Dale & Norma

Schuitema

Nursery: Ruth Marotti, Kim VanStratt

Little Lambs: Sheila Warners, Corinne VanStratt Walk Out Worship: Rob/Joslyn Wagenmaker, Reed

VanStratt

Greeters: Garry Vanden Berg, Glen & Mary Wierenga

Offering: Faith Promise

<u>Calendar</u>

Sunday, April 14

10:00 AM- Sunday Service 11:30 AM- Faith Promise Mission

Update

Monday, April 15

9 AM-1 PM-Office Hours 1:30 PM – Book Club 1:30 PM –Ping Pong

Tuesday, April 16

9 AM-1 PM-Office Hours 7 PM-Friendship Club

Wednesday, April 17

9 AM-1 PM-Office Hours 1:00 PM-Knitting Club

5:30 PM-Midweek Gathering

Thursday, April 18

9 AM-12:30 PM-Office Hours 1:30 PM – Women's Bible Hour

Friday, April 19

Saturday, April 20

Sunday, April 21

10:00 AM –Sunday Service 11:30 AM –New Members

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