

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 “The Head That Once Was Crowned With Thorns”
“Jesus, Priceless Treasure”

arr. R. Haan
JS Bach/ arr. Leupold

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

Christ is Risen!
He is Risen Indeed!
Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.
He gave us new life and hope by raising Jesus from the dead.
He has claimed us as his own.
He called us from our darkness into the light of his new day.
Christ is risen! Alleluia!
He is Risen Indeed! Alleluia!

***Hymn of Praise** “Praise the Savior, Now and Ever”

LUYH 191

***Prayer of Preparation**

Lord of all life and power,
who through the mighty resurrection of your Son
overcame the old order of sin and death
to make all things new in him:
grant that we, being dead to sin
and alive to you in Jesus Christ,
may reign with him in glory;
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit
be praise and honor, glory and might,
now and in all eternity. **Amen.**

***Song of Worship “Because He Lives (Amen)”**

Maher

Confession

Prayer of Confession

**Father eternal, giver of light and grace,
we have sinned against you and against our neighbor,
in what we have thought, in what we have said and done,
through ignorance, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault.
We have wounded your love, and marred your image in us.
We are sorry and ashamed, and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us,
forgive us all that is past; and lead us out from darkness
to walk as children of light. Amen.**

Words of Assurance

Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins
to all those who with heartfelt repentance and true faith turn to him:
have mercy on 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.

***Choral Song of Assurance** “Nothin’ Gonna Stumble My Feet”

Greg Gilpin

The Means of Grace

The Blessing of our Children

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our children, so that by faith they may behold him in all his redeeming work; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **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.)

Gospel Reading

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

Mark 16:19-20

p.853

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

Sermon “Invasion of the Dead”

Covenant Renewal

***Hymn of Response** “I Will Rise”

LUYH 468

***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: *Elim Christian Services*

Offertory "Will the Circle Be Unbroken?"

arr. Moore

The Liturgy of the Table

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy,
at all times and in all places to give you thanks and praise,
holy Father, heavenly King, almighty and eternal God.

Therefore, with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we proclaim your great and glorious name,
forever praising you, and saying:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Prayer of Humble Access

We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord,
trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies.
We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table.
But you are the same Lord whose nature is always to have mercy.
Grant us therefore, gracious Lord,
so, to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ and to drink his blood,
that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body,
and our souls washed through his most precious blood,
and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us.
Amen.

The Words of Institution

Our Savior Jesus Christ on the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.
In the same way, after supper, he took the cup;
and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying:
Drink this, all of you, this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.
Amen.

Giving of Communion

The body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given for you,
preserve your body and soul to everlasting life.
Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for you,
and feed on him in your heart by faith with thanksgiving.
The blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was shed for you,
preserve your body and soul to everlasting life.
Drink this in remembrance that Christ's blood was shed for you and be thankful.

Songs of Communion:

Amazing Grace
"Jesus I Come"
"How Deep the Father's Love for us"

Choir
Sleeper/Thompson
Townend

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Glory to God,
whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine.
Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus,
for ever and ever. Amen

***Hymn of Sending** "I Know That My Redeemer Lives"

LUYH 193 vs 1,7

Benediction

Postlude "I Know That My Redeemer Lives"

R. Haan

Credits & Liturgical Notes

Participants:

Preaching: Rev. Tim Blackmon

Organ: Jean Schuitman

Choir: Knightingals of Calvin College

Piano: Julie Hordyk

Liturgist & Prayer of the People: Tony Razzini

Vocalists: Amy Goorman, 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 has returned to Michigan with Worldwide Assist. Please pray for recovery from the trip, for relief from pain and for patience as he 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 had successful heart surgery on Monday and is recovering. Garrison, Ann and their kids appreciate your prayers very much.

Ruth Wallinga is at Trinity Hospital here in Grand Haven for flu-like symptoms and request prayers for healing and renewed strength.

Announcements:

This Sunday's Offering: *Elim Christian Services* supports children and adults with disabilities in leading their fullest, God-given lives.

Midweek Gathering: A 5-week Bible Study with dinner and children's programs will return on 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. It equips you with tools to unlock the Bible's riches, fostering a deeper understanding of its content and how to approach it effectively.

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 worship our Savior for the beauty of His majesty and the unending authority of His Lordship over all creation. 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 see the bulletin insert 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.

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.

Bridal Shower: On Monday evening, April 29th at 7pm, you are invited to a bridal 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!

Cuba Mission Trip: This isn't just about empty shelves and rising prices in Cuba, even though fuel prices have drastically increased. Many Cubans want more freedom and a say in their lives. Although the government says things will change, it's unclear how much things will really improve or how quickly they will get better. This adds another layer to the hardships people face every day. During our trip, we'll hear their stories, pray with them, and offer support as they navigate these challenges. Please spend some time this month in prayer for the people of Cuba.

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.

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 know at admin@secondcrcgrandhaven.org.

Men's Softball: Get ready to swing for the fences because our church softball team is making a comeback! Several high school guys have expressed interest in reviving this exciting tradition, and we're thrilled to announce its back! 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.

Outreach Update: Tonight, April 7th we are hosting refreshments at GVSU's Campus Ministry. There are 400+ college students who attend the two Sunday evening services. If you would like to join us at GVSU, we will carpool from church at 5:15pm.

SWAN'S: On Wednesday, April 10 at 11:30, we will have a special treat as Julie Hordyk will do a presentation called "Meals for One"! There will be delicious samples, so we will consider it a light luncheon. Reservations are needed by April 5, so call Carole Ruiter at 616-502-2015 if you wish to attend.

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. Through this immersive experience, 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. Have ideas to contribute? Please reach out to Rob Wagenmaker at 616.638.0976 or rwagenmaker@hotmail.com.

Women's Bible Hour: We will continue our spring session on Thurs. April 4 at 1:30pm. We are studying Women of the New Testament. Questions, please contact Char TerHaar at 616-842-0848.

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 on 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 we move forward to educate with excellence, integrate faith with knowledge, and equip students to work and serve Christ in their communities.

Volunteer Schedule

April 7, 2024

Projection: Dan Braak

Video: Chuck DeWitt, Jason Zuidema, Jay Brace, Ethan Hodge

Ushers: Ken Terpstra (Team 3), Jamie Goorman, Les Lewis, Brian Bierma

Coffee Hosts: Jim Mulder & Ron Retsema/ Dan & Melissa Meindertsma

Nursery: Rosemary Geertsma, Victoria McCarthy

Little Lambs: Amy Wolffis, Sam/Chris Farrar

Walk Out Worship: Cindy Brace, Kyla Zuidema

Greeters: Jim Query, Chris & Kim Van Stratt

Offering: Elim Christian Services

April 14, 2024

Projection: Eric Wolffis

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

Calendar

Sunday, April 7

10:00 AM– Sunday Service

5:15 PM – Carpool for GVSU Service

Monday, April 8

9 AM-1 PM–Office Hours

1:30 PM- Ping Pong

Tuesday, April 9

9 AM-1 PM–Office Hours

7 PM–Friendship Club

7 PM–Leadership Board

Wednesday, April 10

9 AM-1 PM–Office Hours

1:00 PM–Knitting Club

Thursday, April 11

9 AM-1 PM–Office Hours

1:30 PM – Women’s Bible Hour

Friday, April 12

Saturday, April 13

Sunday, April 14

10:00 AM – Sunday Service

11:30 AM–Ministry Update - Porters

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