



Worship Service for
the Feast of Pentecost
May 19, 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 Lord Calls Us to Worship

Prelude "Alleluia!"
"Dona Nobis Pacem (Let There Be Peace)"

J. W. Kerr
arr. K. Buckwalter

Choral Introit "The Lord Is in His Holy Temple"

Hopson

*Call to Worship

The Lord will pour out His Spirit upon all flesh.
And Your sons and daughters shall prophesy,
Your old men shall dream dreams,
your young men will see visions.

You shall know that the Lord is in the midst of His people,
That He is the Lord and there is none else
and it shall come to pass
That everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.

The Lord is our rock and our fortress, our God, in whom we take refuge, our shield, and the horn of our salvation, our stronghold forever.
We will call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised.

***Hymn of Praise** "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

LUYH 601 vs 1-3

We Worship God

In you, Lord my God, I put my trust.

I trust in you; do not let me be put to shame, nor let my enemies' triumph over me.

No one who hopes in you will ever be put to shame,

but shame will come on those who are treacherous without cause.

Show me your ways, Lord, teach me your paths.

Guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God my Savior,
and my hope is in you all day long.

Remember, Lord, your great mercy and love, for they are from of old.

Do not remember the sins of my youth and my rebellious ways;

according to your love remember me, for you, Lord, are good.

Good and upright is the Lord; therefore he instructs sinners in his ways.

He guides the humble in what is right and teaches them his way.

All the ways of the Lord are loving and faithful

toward those who keep the demands of his covenant.

For the sake of your name, Lord, forgive my iniquity, though it is great.

Who, then, are those who fear the Lord?

He will instruct them in the ways they should choose.

They will spend their days in prosperity, and their descendants will inherit the land.

The Lord confides in those who fear him; he makes his covenant known to them.

My eyes are ever on the Lord, for only he will release my feet from the snare.

Turn to me and be gracious to me, for I am lonely and afflicted.

Relieve the troubles of my heart and free me from my anguish.

Look on my affliction and my distress and take away all my sins.

See how numerous are my enemies and how fiercely they hate me!

**Guard my life and rescue me; do not let me be put to shame,
for I take refuge in you.**

May integrity and uprightness protect me, because my hope, Lord, is in you.

Deliver Israel, O God, from all their troubles!

(Psalm 25)

The Lord Gives Us Grace Beyond Deserving

Call to Confession

Heavenly Father, create in us a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within us. Do not cast us from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from us.
Restore to us the joy of your salvation and grant us a willing spirit, to sustain us.

Song of Confession “Breathe on Me, Breath of God”

LUYH 747

Prayer of Confession

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen

Words of Assurance

For we ourselves were once foolish, disobedient, led astray, slaves to various passions and pleasures, passing our days in malice and envy, hated by others and hating one another. But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

Amen.

(Titus 3:3–7)

We Welcome One Another

Greeting

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

Welcome of New Members

Introductions

The new members are invited to stand before the congregation

Larry & June Au, Barb Bakker, Hank & Carla Byma, Chris, Jenna & Leddy Brian, Mike & Lori Buitendorp, Fran Kieft, Joe, Joy, Chase & Hart Gasser, Paul, Carisa, Sydney & James Marotti, Joan Tandler, Stanley & Paulina Teunis and Myra Young

Welcome

In your baptism, you were marked as members of Christ's church. It is our joy to welcome you today as members of this congregation. We believe that the Holy Spirit has led you to this congregation at this time for your own good and the good of this congregation. We invite you now to affirm your faith in Christ and express your commitment to the life of this church and mission God has given to us.

Vows

Do you affirm that Jesus Christ is your Lord and Savior, that the Bible is God's Word revealing Christ and his redemption, and that the teachings of this church reflect this revelation?

I do.

Do you promise to join with us, sharing your gifts, in our worship and fellowship, and in the mission God has given us in the world?

I do.

The congregation rises

Do you promise to receive these new members in love as your brothers and sisters in Christ, support them with your fellowship and prayers, and, recognizing their gifts, invite them into the life and mission of our congregation?

We do.

Blessing of New Members

Lord God, through your grace we are your people, through your Son you have redeemed us; in your Spirit you have made us your own.

We pray for our new members; Make our lives bear witness to the good news of Jesus, in word and deed, in the power of your Spirit.

Make our hearts worship you, the Savior of the world.

Make our wills eager to obey your Word, and our hands ready to do your work.

Make us live lives of prayer, trusting and believing that you are eager to bless.

Strengthen us in your service and fill our hearts with longing for your kingdom. Amen.

***Mutual Greeting**

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

The Lord Speaks His Word to Us

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:

Jonah 4:1-11

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This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Sermon "Over my Dead Body"

We Respond to His Word in Faith

***Hymn of Response "Spirit of the Living God"**

LUYH #749

***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

For children: Let us pray for the life of the world. For our loved ones, those whom we know and hold in our hearts, and all your children across the world. Bond us in your love.

God of love, Receive our prayer.

For those who teach us... our teachers at school and church, our parents and family at home, and in all places we learn. Help us to listen with patience as we grow.

God our teacher, Receive our prayer.

For those who lead us... give the leaders of our nations, towns and communities wisdom to serve people in love and peace. Give us all the language to share your love in the world.

God who guides us, Receive our prayer.

For the sick and poor... We pray for access that meets the needs of those who do not have enough. For nutritious food, housing, loving relationships, and all of the things that help us to thrive.

God of the vulnerable, Receive our prayer.

For ourselves... Thanksgiving for playing with friends and grown-ups, for music that moves us and all of the good things you bless us with. Inspire us to respond to the needs of our neighbors as you have taught us.

God who walks with us, Receive our prayer.

God we thank you for always being with us. Open and transform our hearts that we might connect more deeply with the needs of others and be moved to be your love and care in the world. Help us to keep courage as we learn, share, and give.

God receive our prayers as your son taught us:

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.

The Offering: *Faith Promise ~ Slager*

Offertory “Whirlwind Spirit”

Jonathan Martin

The Lord Sends Us into the World

***Closing Hymn** “I Will Sing of the Mercies”

CH. 161

Benediction

Postlude “Praise Him! Praise Him!”

arr. L. Kelley

Credits & Liturgical Notes

Preaching: Rev. Tim Blackmon

Flute: Karen Katje

Organ & Choir Director: Jean Schuitman

Piano & Accompanist: Julie Hordyk

Liturgist & Prayer of People: Steve Marotti

Vocalists: Rob Wagenmaker, Christie VanderHeide

We display all music and readings on the screen. LUYH (red hymnal) located in the pew rack; CH (brown) is located under the seat. Large print bulletins are available in the narthex OneLicense.net #A-721176, CCLI#7750

Prayer Requests, Praises & Gratitude

A Service to the Resurrection for *Bette Bosma* will take place on Tuesday May 21 at 11am at church. The visitation is Monday from 6-8pm at Klaassen Funeral Home and at church on Tuesday at 10am. Please keep her children *Susan (David) Hoekema* and their family in your prayers.

Jan Zuidema will be having total knee replacement surgery at Holland Hospital on Wednesday, May 22. Please pray for peace as surgery approaches, skilled staff on the day of surgery, a minimum of discomfort, and a quick recovery.

Corky North is at Heartwood Lodge for strengthening. Please pray for him and Mary as they determine the next steps.

David Blackmon is recovering from foot surgery. Please pray for a complete healing.

We give thanks to God for a wonderful Spring Midweek Gathering. We thank God for all faithful teachers, children and youth workers, cooks, bakers, kitchen helpers and staff.

Announcements:

This Sunday's Offering: *Faith Promise ~ Slager*

Atrium Art Gallery: *Wonder*, the new exhibit in our Atrium Art Gallery is a particularly exciting one since it is exclusively the work of Bob de Jonge. According to Bob, the works mirror our outside world of water, trees, and sky, to encourage wonder, hold up hope, and express gratitude. We are blessed now with the beauty around us, but also offered glimpses of the vision of a new heaven and earth. There will be an artist reception today Sunday, May 19 at 11:30am in the atrium.

Full Council – Council has finalized the budget for church year 2024-25. It will be distributed shortly to the congregation for review. There will be a town hall meeting on June 2 to answer your questions prior to asking you to vote to affirm. Watch for more information and dates in the bulletin.

Children's Ministry Families: Save the dates of Saturday June 15 and Saturday July 13 for a get-together at Pottawatomie Park. Address is 15600 Comstock St., Grand Haven. We'll meet near the pavilions and river.

Cuba Mission Trip: Our trip to Cuba this summer is crucial due to the severe economic challenges faced by Cubans. Many are struggling due to a cash shortage, leading to long waits at banks and ATMs. A complicated monetary system with multiple currencies, fluctuating exchange rates, and high inflation makes everyday transactions challenging, especially for affording necessities.

Cuba Mission Support: We're doing an Envelope Drive to raise funds for our trip. Simply pick up an envelope from the Welcome Desk, and contribute the amount shown. 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.

Garden Club: We will meet on Wednesday May 22 at 10am in the North Hall at church. Henk Ottens will give a presentation on garden sculptures. All are welcome to attend.

Kitchen Items: A heartfelt thank you to all who have cooked or baked for Midweek Gatherings or other church activities. Please check the kitchen counter for pans/plates/containers. Items not claimed by June 2 will be donated.

Men's Softball: Our next game is this Monday May 20 at 6:15pm at the softball field at Mulligan's Hollow. Questions, please contact Rob Wagenmaker at 616-638-0976 or rwagenmaker@hotmail.com

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 volunteer. Please reach out to Rob Wagenmaker at 616.638.0976 or rwagenmaker@hotmail.com.

Volunteer Schedule

May 19, 2024

Projection: Renee Mulder

Video: Chuck DeWitt, Jim Query, Jay Brace, Ethan Hodge

Sound: Rick Clapp

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

Coffee Hosts: Paul & Linda Lamaire/ Mike & Karen Katje

Nursery: Kathy Westveld, Kim VanStratt

Little Lambs: Cherise VanderHeide, Reed VanStratt

Walk Out Worship: Barb Fritz, Corinne VanStratt

Greeters: Jay Brace, David & Rita Zuidema

Offering: Faith Promise-Don Slager

May 26, 2024

Projection: Ben McCarthy

Video: Mark Boelens, Jason Zuidema, Harley Dyk, Dirk Weesies

Sound: Jim Warners

Ushers: Chuck DeWitt (Team 10), Mike Katje, Ron Retsema, Dan Holtrop

Coffee Hosts: Roger & DeeAnn Hordyk/ Ron & Sherry Herrington

Nursery: Mary Wierenga, Mary Winkle

Little Lambs: Betsy Blackmon, Sam/Chris Farrar

Walk Out Worship: Amy Anderson, Yasmin VanderHeide

Greeters: Jim Warners, Doug & Jan Zuidema

Offering: Habitat for Humanity-Grand Haven

Calendar

Sunday, May 19

10:00 AM– Sunday Service

11:30 AM–Artist Reception

6:30 PM – Focus

7:00 PM – WMC Choir Concert

Monday, May 20

9 AM-1 PM–Office Hours

6:15 PM–Men's Softball Game

Tuesday, May 21

9 AM-1 PM–Office Hours

11 AM– Service to the Resurrection for Bette Bosma

Wednesday, May 22

9 AM-1 PM–Office Hours

10:00 AM- Garden Club

1:00 PM–Knitting Club

Thursday, May 23

9 AM-1 PM–Office Hours

Friday, May 17

Saturday, May 18

Sunday, May 26

10 AM –Sunday Service

Thank you to all the servant leaders who are FILO (First In Last Out).

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