

Prelude “A Mighty Fortress”

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The Welcome

***The Greeting**

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

***The Call to Worship**

I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.
Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good!
Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!

Glorify the Lord with me; let us exalt his name together!
I sought the Lord, and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears.

***The Hymn of Praise “A Mighty Fortress”**

LUYH 776

***The Psalm**

Praise the Lord, all nations! Extol him, all peoples! For great is his steadfast love toward us, and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever. Praise the Lord!

Psalm 117

***The Song of Praise “Come Ye Sinners Poor and Needy”**

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The Confession of Sin

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.

The Assurance of Pardon

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

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lord, we thank you for the wonder of life, the splendor of creation, and the mystery of love. We thank you for the joy of family, for the work that challenges us, and even for the failures that lead us back to you. Above all, we praise you for Jesus Christ: for his life, his victory over death, and the new life we find in his kingdom. Grant us your Spirit, that we may know Christ and make him known, giving thanks to you always and in all places. Amen.

***The Song of Thanksgiving** “Upon a Life I Did Not Live”

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***The Prayer of Blessing**

God, thank you for bringing us together today with one heart and one goal. You promised that whenever even two or three of us are gathered in your name, you are right here with us. You know the things we hope for and the things we ask for; please answer them in the way that you know is best for us. Give our children the wisdom to understand your truth while we are here, and the gift of your life forever in the world to come. Amen.

(Children 4 years-5th Grade are invited to Walk Out Worship.

They are dismissed at 11:20 from their classrooms in the lower level near the nursery.)

The Gospel Luke 13:18-21

p. 873

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

The Prayer of Illumination

The Sermon “The Parable of the Mustard Seed and the Leaven”

The Prayer of Response

***The Hymn of Response** “All People That on Earth Do Dwell”

LUYH 1

The Prayers of the People

The 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.**

The Offering Harbor House Ministries

The Offertory “All People That On Earth Do Dwell”

arr. Lovelace

***The Sending Song** “What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

LUYH 898

***The Benediction**

The Postlude “What A Friend”

arr. Held

Worship Leaders & Liturgical Notes

Preaching: Rev. Tim Blackmon

Liturgist: Erik Veker

Organ: Cathy Schaaf

Piano: Robin Kieft

Prayer of the People: Alishia Terrill

Vocalist: Joslyn Wagenmaker, Paul LaMaire

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Welcome Guests:

Welcome, we are glad you are here! Please fill out a Guest Card (in the pew rack) and place it in the offering basket or scan the back of this bulletin for an online form. Also, join us for coffee and sweet treats after church so we can meet you!

This Sunday:

Today's Ministry Spotlight: *Harbor House Ministries'* mission is to value the life of every person in providing quality, individualized care and residential services for adults with complex needs. We believe each person is created by God with purpose and value. Therefore, each person's care is tailored to his or her unique abilities and gifts.

Walk-Out Worship: Worship Center I: Today our children continue to learn about Jesus' ministry and will hear about Jesus healing the paralytic.

Worship Center II: Today our children will learn about Jesus' response to people's questions about who God is like. Jesus used parables to explain how God is like a Good Shepherd and a woman who lost a coin.

Newcomers: Are you new to Second CRC? Please plan to attend our Newcomers class today Sunday, March 8 and on March 15, for the opportunity to talk about our core beliefs, hear our story, for us to meet you, and for you to know us better. Class will be held in the Adult Education room, in the lower level across from the nursery desk.

Prayer Requests, Praises & Gratitude:

Ione Hoekenga passed away on Monday. A *Service of Witness to the Resurrection* with Pastor Tim officiating will be held at church on Monday March 9 at 11am. Visitation will be on Sunday March 8 from 2-5pm at church. Arrangements are by Klaassen.

Please pray for Patti Steigenga as she will be undergoing surgery on Monday, March 9. Pray that it will go well and for a good recovery.

Please keep Curt DeJongh in your prayers as he will be having hip replacement surgery on Monday May 9. Pray that it is successful and for his recovery.

Claudia Alphenaar is turning 90 on March 17. Her family invites the congregation to celebrate with her at an Open House on Sunday March 15 from 1-3pm at the Pinewood Community Room, 1500 S. Ferry Street, Grand Haven. (Please park on Ferry as the parking lot is reserved for residents).

Glenn Gronevelt requests continued prayers for healing.

Church Announcements:

Atrium Art Gallery: *The Joy of Nature* is the new exhibit in the Atrium Art Gallery. Featuring local artist Christi M. Drees, these paintings reflect the extraordinary beauty that she finds as she observes it in the shoreline, woods, and beaches of our area. Take the time to let her talent bring you a sense of the wonder of God's creation as she shares her joy and happiness through color and composition.

Book Club: We will meet on Monday April 13 at 1:30pm in the church parlor to discuss *Their Eyes Were Watching God* by Zora Neale Hurston. Questions, please contact Agnus Fisher.

Bridal Shower: Please reserve Saturday, May 16 for celebrating Ava Rotman, who will be marrying Ethan Hill in June! More information to come in April.

Pinewood Derby: Rev up your engines and join us on Sunday March 22. Come at 5:00pm, witness the excitement and enjoy fellowship as cars zoom down the track. Car building kits and blocks are still available. This Sunday paint and brushes will be set-up in the North Hall near the windows. Please sign out the Car/Kit you take on the clipboards. Questions, please contact Rob Wagenmaker at 616-638-0976.

Ping Pong: We will continue on Mondays at 1:30pm in the church basement.

Prayer Volunteers: You may have noticed that our Sunday "prayer of the people" is often delivered by a member of the congregation...one of the people. If you are willing to lift praise and petition to God, please contact Amy Wolffis or Julie Hordyk for more information or to be added to our volunteer list.

SWAN's: It's time for some fellowship, fun and food, so mark your calendars for March 24, 1:30pm at church for BUNCO! Hope to see many of you there.

Tool Time Men's Bible Study: We will continue our Winter Session on Saturday March 14 at 8:00am at church. Future Dates: Mar 28, Apr 11 & 25, May 9 & 23. Questions, call Tony Razzini at (614) 753-2164.

Vacation Bible School: *Save the Dates of July 13-16.* Our plans are underway, and we need your help for all the amazing adventures in Rainforest Falls! From decoration set up to welcoming faces at the doors and registration tables, to group leaders, to crafts and games. We're looking for over 30 volunteers to help children learn about the Nature of God! See the Atrium Table for volunteer descriptions and decide how you can best use your gifts. Please contact Rob or Annie with any questions about volunteering or donating items.

Women's Bible Hour: We will continue on Thursday March 12 at 1:30pm. We will discuss lessons on growing older and wiser. Books are available in the church office for a suggested donation of \$10.

Youth Groups: CHAOS will meet on Wednesday March 11 at 6:30pm. We will continue our study of parables, looking at The Friend at Midnight and the importance of persistent prayer. FOCUS will meet on Sunday March 15 at 6:30pm. They are also studying parables.

Volunteer Schedule

March 8, 2026

Projection: Dan Braak

Video: Chuck DeWitt, Paul Marotti, Mark Boelens, Ethan Hodge

Sound: Jim Warners

Ushers: Roger Hordyk, Dan Holtrop, John Buitenhuis, Paul Marotti

Coffee Hosts: Doug & Cheryl Diephouse; Brian & Kerry Bierma

Nursery: Cathy Brolick, Kari DeLange

Little Lambs: Onika Beswick, Cherise VanderHeide

Walk Out I: Barb Fritz, Elisa Alvarado

Walk Out II: Betsy Blackmon, Gabe Schaaf

Greeters: Ken Terpstra, Joe & Joy Gasser

Council in Parlor: Patti Steigenga, Jim Warners

Offering: Harbor House Ministries

March 15, 2026

Projection: Eric Wolffis

Video: Gary Roelofs, Jim Query, Jay Brace, Jason Zuidema

Sound: Todd Cunningham

Ushers: Eric Rotman, Ron Frantz, Dave VanderWall, Jason Zuidema

Coffee Hosts: Dan & Debbie Braak- James Marotti; Jeff & Deb Erickson - Vivienne McCarthy

Nursery: Victoria McCarthy, Mary Terpstra

Little Lambs: Jane DeGroot, Vivienne McCarthy

Walk Out I: Mary Winkle, Deb Wagenmaker

Walk Out II: Annie Hoekzema, Rio Gasser

Greeters: Jim Warners Dick & Shirley Good

Council in Parlor: Anne Zuidema, Alan VanDyke

Offering: Missions- Veurink

Calendar

Sunday, March 8

10:00 AM–Worship Service

11:30 AM- Bell Rehearsal

11:30 AM – Newcomers Class

Monday, March 9

9 AM-1 PM – Office Hours

11:00 AM – Service of Witness
for Ione Hoekenga

1:30 PM – Ping Pong

Tuesday, March 10

9 AM-1 PM – Office Hours

7 PM –Full Council

Wednesday, March 11

9 AM-1 PM – Office Hours

1:00 PM – Knitting/Craft Group

6:30 PM – CHAOS (Middle
School)

Thursday, March 12

9 AM-1 PM – Office Hours

1:30 PM – Women's Bible Hour

7:00 PM – Choir Rehearsal

Friday, March 13

Saturday, March 14

8:00 AM – Men's Tool Time

Sunday, March 15

10:00 AM – Worship Service

11:30 AM – Newcomers Class

6:30 PM – Focus (High School)

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