

Prelude “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” with “Praise the Lord, Ye Heavens Adore Him”
arr. Gaines
“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”
arr. Lopez

The Welcome

The Greeting

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

*The Call to Worship

Praise the Father, the everlasting God,
who by wisdom founded the earth and by understanding established the heavens.
He is the source of all truth, and his counsels stand forever.

Praise the Son, Jesus Christ, who is the very Wisdom of God incarnate,
in whom are hidden all the treasures of knowledge and grace.
He is the Word made flesh, our light and our salvation.

Praise the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of wisdom and revelation,
who guides us into all truth and writes the law of God upon our hearts.
He is our counselor, renewing our minds and transforming our lives.

Holy, Holy, Holy, is the Lord God Almighty.
Come, let us bow down before the Triune God in the beauty of holiness.
Glory, praise, and wisdom be unto our God, now and forevermore.
Amen.

***The Hymn of Praise** “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise” LUYH 579

*The Psalm

Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked,
nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers;
but his delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law he meditates day and night.

He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers. The wicked are not so but are like chaff that the wind drives away. Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous; for the Lord knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

Psalm 1

***The Song of Praise** “Upon a Life I Have Not Lived”

Bonar/Twit

The Confession of Sin

Almighty God, Father of lights, you have revealed your perfect wisdom to us in your Word, in the order of creation, and in the person of your Son. Yet we confess that we have preferred our own foolish paths to your righteous ways. We have followed the erratic impulses of our own hearts, trusted in our own limited understanding, and ignored the gentle corrections of your Spirit. We have spoken rashly, acted selfishly, and lacked the discipline that leads to life.

Forgive us, merciful Father, for our pride and our self-reliance. Grant us the humility to fear you truly, which is the beginning of all knowledge. Cleanse our minds, renew our wills, and incline our hearts toward your truth, that we might walk securely in the paths of integrity, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Assurance of Pardon

Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. In him, the old life of wandering is finished, and the path of life is opened wide. To all who turn to him in repentance, he offers full pardon and a renewed mind. Live now in the light of his forgiveness and walk in the assurance of his grace. **Amen.**

Song of Thanksgiving “Speak, O Lord”

LUYH 755

The Prayer of Blessing for Children

Almighty God, the source of all wisdom and grace, we ask your blessing upon these children. Plant your truth deep within their minds, and let the fear of the Lord be the foundation of their lives. Protect them from the foolishness and distractions of this world, and guide their steps in the paths of righteousness, justice, and integrity. Nourish them daily with your goodness, that they may grow in wisdom and favor, and that their lives may be an ornament of grace to everyone they meet. Keep them close to your heart, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

(Children 4 years-5th Grade are invited to Walk Out Worship.
They will be dismissed at 11:20 from join their families in the North Hall.)

The Scripture “Proverbs 1:1–9”

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This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

The Prayer of Illumination

The Sermon “The Beginning of Wisdom”

The Prayer of Response

***The Hymn of Response** “Build My Life”

Younkers/Marin/Kaple/Redman/Barret

The Lord’s Supper

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

We rejoice in him as is right and required.

Scripture teaches us always and everywhere to give thanks to you,
Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

The Prayers of the People

The Sung Lord's Prayer

Williamson

All praise and glory belong to you, God our heavenly Father, because of your tender mercy you gave your only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one sacrifice of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and instituted, and in his Holy Gospel commanded us to continue a perpetual memory of his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

Hear us, O merciful Father, and grant that we, receiving this bread and wine according to your Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed body and blood.

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given 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."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the forgiveness of sins: Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."

The Communion Songs

"Dear Lord, and Father of Mankind"

Whittier/Parry

"Eternal Spirit, God of Truth"

LUYH 641

"Behold the Lamb of God"

LUYH 840

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

Almighty and ever-living God, we heartily thank you for your promise to feed us, who have faithfully received these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious body and blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and so assure us by your favor and goodness towards us, that we are true members united in his mystical body, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of your everlasting kingdom, by the merits of the most precious death and suffering of your dear son. And we humbly ask you, heavenly Father, to assist us with your grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all those good works that you have prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

The Offering *Zuni Christian School*

The Offertory "Open the Eyes of My Heart" with "Be Thou My Vision"

arr. Hayes

***The Sending Song** "Be Thou My Vision"

LUYH 859 vs 1,2

***The Benediction**

The Postlude *Be Thou My Vision (arr. Bober)*

Worship Leaders & Liturgical Notes

Preaching: Rev. Tim Blackmon

Piano: Julie Hordyk

Vocalist: Amy Goorman, Sally Wagenmaker

We display music on the screen. LUYH (red hymnal) in pew rack; OneLicense.net #A-721176, CCLI#7750

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 cookies after church so we can meet you!

This Sunday:

Today's Ministry Spotlight: *Zuni Christian School's* mission is for students to be planted in Biblical truth, and surrounded by God's grace. The school is a member of CSI and works with Zuni CRC to minister to the people on the Zuni Reservation.

Walk-Out Worship: This Sunday the children will be welcomed back to the Sanctuary for Communion.

Prayer Requests, Praises & Gratitude:

Joan Baker is recovering from hip replacement surgery.

Lori Greene's sister, Rev. Dr. Lisa Greene Henderson, passed away. Please keep Lori and her family in your prayers.

Dick Good's sister Barbara, passed last weekend in Texas. Please continue to pray for Dick, Shirley and their family.

Les Lewis' brother Dennis Lewis passed away last week. Please keep Les & Bern along with their children, Dave & Cherise VanderHeide, and Dan & Melissa Meindersma in your prayers.

Claudia Alphenaar had a medical episode last week and has been moved to Poppen House. Please pray for her and her family.

Jim Mulder has moved to Bridgeway Park (formerly Christian Haven), Room 327. Please pray for him in the weeks ahead as he transitions to new living arrangements.

"As we read through the stack of cards on our counter, and think back with love on the many people who came Mom's visitation and funeral, we cannot help but be awed and humbled by the "great cloud of witnesses" from Second CRC who have uplifted us in this time of loss. You are models of Christ's love, and also our friends. It means so much to have the tangible evidence of your caring through words, cards, meals, visits and hugs. Thank you so much"
~Chris & Julie Hordyk.

“Ethan and I want to thank everyone for all the generosity, prayers, and well wishes you’ve shown us throughout our wedding season! The bridal shower was beautiful, and we are truly grateful to everyone who helped make it so special. Growing up in this church has been such a blessing, and I am forever thankful to be part of such a loving and supportive church family. Thank you for celebrating with us!” ~ Ava (Rotman) Hill.

Church Announcements:

Atrium Art Gallery: PictoJauntin’ is the new display which encapsulates, according to the artist Robin Jensen, “A life journey, full of creative adventures, glorifying growth and wonderful surprises.” The computer mediated drawings portray the images and ideas of a Christian life filled with joy, hope, and faith. Robin may be familiar to some as he was a professor at Calvin University for 31 years. Take a few moments to see the world through his eyes. Also, mark your calendar for a reception with the artist on Sunday, July 26.

Bridal Shower: Sam VanderHeide is planning to marry Madison Coney on August 21. We are planning a dessert shower to celebrate as a church family for Thursday, August 6 at 7pm. More details to follow.

Fire Truck Splash Day: The Grand Haven Department of Public Safety will be in the parking lot providing a fun way for the local community to cool off on Tuesday, July 9th at 4:00 pm. Come join the fun and connect with our neighbors.

Grand Haven Triathlon: Next Sunday, July 12th, please allow extra time to get to church. The annual GH Triathlon will be taking place on Sheldon Road and Lakeshore Drive, from 8:15 am to 10:50 am. Police and volunteers will be on the roads to help direct traffic.

VBS 2026: Calling all kids to Join our Exploration of the Nature of God in Rainforest Falls in one week: July 13-16 from 9:00-11:30am! Please invite your friends and register your children or grandchildren [online](#). Also, early registration closes on Wednesday July 8th.

Young Families/Adults Bonfire Nights: Join us at Kase and Laura Knochenhauer’s home for relaxed summer bonfires intended for young families, couples, and adults in a similar stage of life. Enjoy a casual, kid-friendly evening with light snacks provided. Please invite another family and bring your own drinks and lawn chairs. Come and go as you’re able between 6:00–8:30pm. Address: 16230 152nd Ave Spring Lake. Questions: contact Laura at 616-450-9519. The next bonfire will be Tuesday, July 21. Upcoming Date: August 11.

Volunteer Schedule

July 5, 2026

Projection: Dan Braak

Video: Chuck DeWitt, Paul Marotti, Mark Boelens, Jason Zuidema

Sound: Mike Katje

Ushers: Team 4 - Rick Geertsma, Rosemary Geertsma, Dirk Weesies, Ralph VanDuyn

Coffee Hosts: Victoria & Ryan McCarthy, Mary Willink, Ron Retsema, Gary Roelofs

Nursery: Rosemary Geertsma, Kari DeLange

Little Lambs: Jane DeGroot, Sheila Warners

Walk Out: Annie Hoekzema, Rio Gasser

Greeters: Patti Steigenga, Sharon Wolters & Candy Van Wieren

Council in Parlor: Sheila Warners, Anne Zuidema

Offering: Zuni Christian School

July 12, 2026

Projection: Paul Marotti

Video: Mark Boelens, Jim Query, Dan Meindertsma, Ethan Hodge

Sound: Rick Clapp

Ushers: Team 5 - Dan Braak, Jeff Erickson, Joe Risselade, Paula Risselade

Coffee Hosts: Bob & Sheri Poel; Evan & Lois Reinders

Nursery: Victoria McCarthy, Mary Terpstra

Little Lambs: Jenna Brian, Kyla Zuidema

Walk Out: Sheri Van Duyn, Maelyn Wagenmaker

Greeters: Sheila Warners, Ryan & Victoria McCarthy

Council in Parlor: Anne Zuidema, Alan VanDyke

Offering: Mission French Africa Rev. Karis Mpindi

Calendar

Sunday, July 5

10:00AM – Worship Service

Monday, July 6

9AM-12AM – Office Hours

Tuesday, July 7

9AM-12AM – Office Hours

Wednesday, July 8

9AM-12PM – Office Hours

1:00PM – Knitting/Craft Group

Thursday, July 9

9AM-12AM – Office Hours

Friday, July 10

Office Closed

Saturday, July 11

Sunday, July 12

10:00AM – Worship Service

Monday July 13

9AM -11:30 AM – Rainforest Falls VBS

10AM - 12PM – Office Hours

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