

**WORSHIP SERVICE**  
**July 3rd, 2022**  
**Fourth Sunday After Pentecost**

**WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP**

Prelude

Welcome

\* God's Greeting

\* We Greet One Another

\* Call to Worship - From Our World Belongs to God, articles 1-6

*As followers of Jesus Christ, living in this world— which some seek to control, and others view with despair— we declare with joy and trust:  
Our world belongs to God!*

**Our world has lost its first goodness, but through all the crises of our times, until the kingdom fully comes, God keeps his covenants and holds this world with fierce love.**

*Keeping his promise, he sends Jesus into the world, pours out the Holy Spirit, and announces the good news.*

**We rejoice in the goodness of God, and as covenant partners, set free for joyful obedience, we offer our hearts and lives to do God's work in the world.**

\* Opening Song "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty"

*Lift Up*

*Your Hearts #538*

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee;

Holy, holy, holy!

Merciful and mighty, God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,

Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;

Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,

Who wert and art and ever more shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,

Though the eye made blind by sin thy glory may not see,

only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,  
Perfect in power, in love, and purity.  
Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea;  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

\* Opening Prayer

## **WE ARE RECONCILED TO GOD**

Prayer of Confession

**Our Father, we confess that we do not always trust you. Sometimes we run ahead of you, thinking we know better than you. Other times we lag behind your leading, afraid that others will ridicule us for following you, or for standing against the wrongs of our times. Lord, help us to submit to your will. Then give us courage to follow where you lead, and to live as you call us, entrusting our lives into your care. In the name of our example, Jesus, we pray. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon *Joshua 1:5&9*

*"I will never leave you nor forsake you.... Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go."*

Song of Entrusting "Be Unto Your Name"

We are a moment, You are forever  
Lord of the Ages, God before time  
We are a vapor, You are eternal  
Love everlasting, reigning on high  
Holy, holy, Lord God Almighty  
Worthy is the Lamb Who was slain  
Highest praises, honor and glory  
Be unto Your name, be unto Your name  
We are the broken, You are the healer  
Jesus, Redeemer, Mighty to save  
You are the love song we'll sing forever

Bowing before You, blessing Your name  
Holy, holy, Lord God Almighty  
Worthy is the Lamb Who was slain  
Highest praises, honor and glory  
Be unto Your name, be unto Your name  
Be unto Your name

Children's Message

Congregational Prayer

## **WE HEAR GOD'S WORD**

Scripture Reading: Hebrews 11:29-12:3

<sup>29</sup> By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as on dry land; but when the Egyptians tried to do so, they were drowned. <sup>30</sup> By faith the walls of Jericho fell, after the army had marched around them for seven days. <sup>31</sup> By faith the prostitute Rahab, because she welcomed the spies, was not killed with those who were disobedient. <sup>32</sup> And what more shall I say? I do not have time to tell about Gideon, Barak, Samson and Jephthah, about David and Samuel and the prophets, <sup>33</sup> who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, and gained what was promised; who shut the mouths of lions, <sup>34</sup> quenched the fury of the flames, and escaped the edge of the sword; whose weakness was turned to strength; and who became powerful in battle and routed foreign armies. <sup>35</sup> Women received back their dead, raised to life again. There were others who were tortured, refusing to be released so that they might gain an even better resurrection. <sup>36</sup> Some faced jeers and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. <sup>37</sup> They were put to death by stoning; they were sawed in two; they were killed by the sword. They went about in sheepskins and goatskins, destitute, persecuted and mistreated— <sup>38</sup> the world was not worthy of them. They wandered in deserts and mountains, living in caves and in holes in the ground. <sup>39</sup> These were all commended for their faith, yet none of them received what had been promised, <sup>40</sup> since God had planned something better for us so that only together with us would they be made perfect. 12 Therefore, since

we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, <sup>2</sup> fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. <sup>3</sup> Consider him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.

Message: Treasures of a Transformed Life - Courage

## **WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

Prayer of Application

\* Song of Response "Facing a Task Unfinished"

Facing a task unfinished That drives us to our knees  
A need that undiminished Rebukes our slothful ease  
We, who rejoice to know Thee Renew before Thy throne  
The solemn pledge we owe Thee To go and make Thee known  
Where other Lords beside Thee Hold their unhindered sway  
Where forces that defied Thee Defy Thee still today  
With none to heed their crying For life and love and light  
Unnumbered souls are dying And pass into the night  
We go to all the world With kingdom hope unfurled  
No other name has power to save But Jesus Christ The Lord  
We bear the torch that flaming Fell from the hands of those  
Who gave their lives proclaiming That Jesus died and rose  
Ours is the same commission The same glad message ours  
Fired by the same ambition To Thee we yield our powers  
We go to all the world With kingdom hope unfurled  
No other name has power to save But Jesus Christ The Lord  
O Father who sustained them O Spirit who inspired  
Saviour, whose love constrained them To toil with zeal untired  
From cowardice defend us From lethargy awake!  
Forth on Thine errands send us To labour for Thy sake

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No other name has power to save But Jesus Christ The Lord  
We go to all the world His kingdom hope unfurled  
No other name has power to save But Jesus Christ The Lord

## **WE CELEBRATE GOD'S COVENANT WITH US**

\* Hymn of Preparation "Remembering with Love and Hope"

*Lift Up Your Hearts #809*

Remembering with love and hope,  
we celebrate the feast.

Christ bids us come and dine with him,  
our Host and great High Priest.

God's Word made known in flesh and blood,  
a covenant of grace-

in manger, cross, and empty tomb,  
we see God's loving face.

Through all our lives, Lord, you are near –  
and to the end of time.

In bread and cup yourself you give;  
our life in yours we find.

We break the bread and bless the cup;  
your Spirit is outpoured.

Made one in you, we feast in love  
until you come, O Lord.

We trust this pledge of your strong love  
and pray your kingdom come,  
when face to face we'll feast with you  
in our eternal home.

The Lord's Supper

Communion song (sung during the passing of the bread)

"Let Us Break Bread Together"

*Lift Up Your Hearts #837*

Let us break bread together on our knees;  
let us break bread together on our knees;

When I fall on my knees,  
with my face to the Lord of life  
O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us drink wine together on our knees;  
let us drink wine together on our knees.

When I fall on my knees,  
with my face to the Lord of life  
O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us praise God together on our knees;  
let us praise God together on our knees.

When I fall on my knees,  
with my face to the Lord of life  
O Lord, have mercy on me.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

## **WE DEPART TO SERVE**

\* Blessing

\* Closing Song "Sent Forth By God's Blessing" *Lift Up Your Hearts #936*

Sent forth by God's blessing, Our true faith confessing,  
The people of God from his dwelling take leave.

The supper is ended. Oh, now be extended  
the fruits of this service in all who believe.

The seed of Christ's teaching, receptive souls reaching,  
shall blossom in action for God and for all.

Your grace shall incite us, your love shall unite us  
to work for your kingdom and answer your call.

With praise and thanksgiving to God ever living,  
the tasks of our everyday life we will face-

our faith ever sharing, in love ever caring  
embracing God's children, the whole human race.

With your feast you feed us, with your light now lead us;  
unite us as one in this life that we share.

Then may all the living with praise and thanksgiving

give honor to Christ and his name we bear.

Postlude

\*Please stand if you are able.

Children's Message: Randy Raak

Message: Rev. Randy Raak

Musicians: Andrew Friend, Naomi Friend, Holly Raak

### **Today's Activities**

9:30 a.m. Morning Worship

10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS 7/3/22**

Communion: Today we celebrate the Lord's Supper. All who are baptized into Christ and have made a public stand for him are welcome to the Lord's Table, to receive the nourishment and refreshment of the bread and cup of the Lord "as sure signs" in remembrance of Christ's body and blood poured out for us in his once-for-all sacrifice on the cross.

July council meeting will be held on July 13<sup>th</sup> at 6.30 pm.

The council is happy to announce that Maggie and Sarah VanDyk have met with Pastor Randy and Elder Melody Franje and will be joining the Trinity family in celebrating the Lord's Supper from this time on.

The special offering next week is for **Wings of Refuge**, which is a Christ-centered organization serving survivors of sex trafficking by providing a safe home and aftercare where women can have the opportunity to heal and find new life. They have a safe home located in Ames. For more info: [www.wingsofrefuge.net](http://www.wingsofrefuge.net).

**Children and Worship** has wrapped up for the year! Thanks to everyone who helped worship with our kids age three through first grade.

Our worship center is a special place where we come to hear God's stories, worship, and pray together. Every week we learned a new story about God's people from Creation to the flood, the people of God wandering in the desert and being given the promised land, and Jesus

birth, death and resurrection. We look forward to worshipping together again after Labor Day. If you are interested in helping with this special program next year, please talk to Naomi Friend.

**Reminder to Everyone** With summer here and the church mainly used for Sunday worship, a casual reminder to please pick up after yourselves in the unused classrooms. This is always helpful anywhere in the church. Thanks for your help with keeping the church clean between cleanings

**Midwest Basic Bible Camp: IS HAPPENING THIS YEAR.** Camp will be August 8<sup>th</sup> through the 12<sup>th</sup> at Pine lake.

<https://pinelakecamps.org/summercamp/dates>. Sign up sheets are in the office. There is a flyer on the table by the office. If you have more questions, please ask Pam Whitney, or contact the Travis or Lance. (Emails below)

**Midwest Basic Bible Camp:** Attention, we are seeking a Nurse, Cabin Leaders, and other Volunteers for Midwest BASIC Bible Camp 2022 (August 8-12). Whether it's for one day or the entire week, we want your help to make the biggest impact we can on our Classis Youth Kids. If you or someone you know is interested, then please reach out to Travis Konig at 641-430-8343 or [traviskonig@gmail.com](mailto:traviskonig@gmail.com) or Lance Hillenga at 515-320-3875 or [lancehillenga@gmail.com](mailto:lancehillenga@gmail.com). Camp dates are August 8<sup>th</sup> through the 12<sup>th</sup>

### **SMALL GROUPS & SUNDAY SCHOOL**

**Breakfast Club** meets on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays at the Lincoln Center HyVee at 8:30 AM.

**UFO** – will meet on Monday July 18th at 7pm at Deb Niehof's home

**Women's Bible Study** – Will not meet due to it being July 4<sup>th</sup>. Have a great holiday.

### **DENOMINATION ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**ReFrame Ministries**



**Miriam: Worship Leader** - Check out the new kids' devotion at [www.kidscorner.net](http://www.kidscorner.net). Music must have been an important part of worship in Israel. The Israelite women had timbrels (like tambourines) with them on the journey. They had left Egypt in a hurry but still packed musical instruments! Listen now at [kidscorner.net](http://kidscorner.net) and check out all the new content.

**Groundwork: Jonah: Doing God's Work** - It doesn't matter who we are, what we've done, or how inadequate we feel, God has work for us to do. Join our Groundwork conversation as we study Jonah 3 to better understand how much God cares and to discover the courage to never give up on someone or let our bias hinder our message as we continue to do God's work and follow God's call in the world today. Listen now at [GroundworkOnline.com](http://GroundworkOnline.com) and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

### **Disability Concerns**

**Ableism Training** Hosted by CRC-RCA Disability Concerns - Join us **online August 11 & 12** (from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm EDT) for our annual training event. We will unpack ableism and consider ways we can help reduce the impact of ableism in churches. This event is open to everyone interested in learning more about this very important topic. We will continue to release more information about this event on our dedicated website: Let's End #AbleismAtChurch Register at <https://bit.ly/ableismatchurch>

### **Safe Church Ministry**

**Safe Church Ministry Series 2022: The Safe Church Basics - Webinar 3: Training Leaders and Volunteers** - All church leaders and volunteers should know what constitutes abuse, how to spot it, and what is expected of them to prevent and respond to abuse well. Join us **July 20, 2022 at 12pm EDT** as we explore ways to train and support our safe church teams. Register at <https://bit.ly/SCwebinarJuly22>

### **World Renew**

Together we can help bring clean water! - Over 2 billion people around the world don't have access to safe drinking water. Instead of walking a

few feet to turn on a faucet, many people in rural villages spend entire days walking to get water, leaving little time for important work like farming and preparing meals. In two weeks, you have the opportunity to join with World Renew to help ease this burden by investing in clean water for people who so desperately need it. For more information or to download resources, go to [worldrenew.net/cleanwater](http://worldrenew.net/cleanwater).

### **Nursery**

July 3 Melody and Chloe

July 10 Mindy and Colton

July 17 Kristy and Jayden

July 24 Donna and Judy

July 31 Elaine and Megan

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