

WORSHIP SERVICE
August 28, 2022
Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

Prelude

Welcome

*God's Greeting

*We Greet One Another

*Call to Worship (from Psalms 147 & 149)

How good it is to sing praises to our God, how pleasant and fitting to praise him.

He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.

He determines the number of the stars and calls them each by name.

Great is our Lord and mighty in power; his understanding has no limit.

Praise his name with dancing and make music to him with timbrel and harp.

For the Lord takes delight in his people; he crowns the humble with victory.

*Opening Songs: "Beautiful One" Lift Up Your Hearts #607

Wonderful so wonderful is Your unfailing love. Your cross has spoken mercy over me. No eye has seen no ear has heard no heart could fully know. How glorious how beautiful You are! Beautiful One I love; Beautiful One I adore. Beautiful One my soul must sing. Powerful so powerful Your glory fills the skies, Your mighty works displayed for all to see. The beauty of Your majesty awakes my heart to sing. How marvelous how wonderful You are. Beautiful One I love; Beautiful One I adore. Beautiful One my soul must sing. Beautiful One I love; Beautiful One I adore. Beautiful One my soul must sing.

You opened my eyes to Your wonders anew. You captured my heart with this love. 'Cause nothing on earth is as beautiful as You. You opened my eyes to Your wonders anew. You captured my heart with this love. 'Cause nothing on earth is as beautiful as You. Beautiful One I love; Beautiful One I adore. Beautiful One my soul must sing. Beautiful One I love; Beautiful One I adore. Beautiful One my soul must sing. My soul My soul must sing. My soul My soul must sing. Beautiful One

“You, O Lord, Are A Shield About Me” Lift Up Your Hearts #382

You, O Lord, Are a shield about me.

You're my glory You're the lifter of my head

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*Opening Prayer

WE ARE RECONCILED TO GOD

Prayer of Confession:

Precious Savior, you are our refuge and our strength, an ever present help in trouble.

But too often, Lord, in our pride and arrogance we think that we don't need you.

With our calculated steps and contrived reasoning, we care more about others' perceptions of us than in bringing honor to you.

But our rationalizations and self-reliance expose us to our adversary's attacks.

Forgive us, Lord, for not trusting you.

Remind us again of your steadfast love and faithfulness. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon: *Psalm 116:1-7*

*I love the Lord, for he heard my voice; he heard my cry for mercy.
Because he turned his ear to me, I will call on him as long as I live.
The cords of death entangled me, the anguish of the grave came
over me; I was overcome by distress and sorrow.
Then I called on the name of the Lord: "Lord, save me!"
The Lord is gracious and righteous; our God is full of compassion.
The Lord protects the unwary; when I was brought low, he saved
me.
Return to your rest, my soul, for the Lord has been good to you.*

Song of Entrusting: "Beautiful Savior" Lift Up Your Hearts #17

Beautiful Savior, King of creation, Son of God and Son of Man!

Truly I'd love Thee, truly I'd serve thee, Light of my soul, my Joy,
my Crown.

Fair are the meadows, Fair are the woodlands, Robed in flowers of
blooming spring;

Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer; He makes our sorrowing spirit sing.

Fair is the sunshine, Fair is the moonlight, Bright the sparkling stars
on high;

Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer Than all the angels in the
sky.

Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations, Son of God and Son of Man!

Glory and honor, Praise, adoration, Now and forevermore be
Thine!

Children's Message

Congregational Prayer

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading: Psalm 27 (pp:)

¹The LORD is my light and my salvation—whom shall I fear?

The LORD is the stronghold of my life—of whom shall I be afraid?

² When the wicked advance against me to devour me, it is my enemies and my foes who will stumble and fall.

³ Though an army besiege me, my heart will not fear; though war break out against me, even then I will be confident.

⁴ One thing I ask from the LORD, this only do I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze on the beauty of the LORD and to seek him in his temple.

⁵ For in the day of trouble he will keep me safe in his dwelling; he will hide me in the shelter of his sacred tent and set me high upon a rock.

⁶ Then my head will be exalted above the enemies who surround me; at his sacred tent I will sacrifice with shouts of joy; I will sing and make music to the LORD.

⁷ Hear my voice when I call, LORD; be merciful to me and answer me.

⁸ My heart says of you, "Seek his face!" Your face, LORD, I will seek.

⁹ Do not hide your face from me, do not turn your servant away in anger; you have been my helper. Do not reject me or forsake me, God my Savior.

¹⁰ Though my father and mother forsake me, the LORD will receive me.

¹¹ Teach me your way, LORD; lead me in a straight path because of my oppressors.

¹² Do not turn me over to the desire of my foes, for false witnesses rise up against me, spouting malicious accusations.

¹³ I remain confident of this: I will see the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living.

¹⁴ Wait for the LORD; be strong and take heart and wait for the LORD.

Message: Summer Songs - Battle and Beauty

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Application

*Song of Response: "O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee"

Lift Up Your Hearts #325 (vs 1,3,4)

O Master, let me walk with thee In lowly paths of service free;
Tell me thy secret, help me bear The strain of toil, the fret of care.
Teach me thy patience; still with thee In closer, dearer company,
In work that keeps faith sweet and strong, In trust that triumphs
over wrong. In hope that sends a shining ray Far down the future's
broadening way, In peace that only thou canst give, With thee, O
Master, let me live.

WE DEPART TO SERVE

*Blessing

*Closing Song: "All On Earth And All In Heaven"

Lift Up Your Hearts #922

All on earth and all in heaven, Raise to God a song on high
Strength unmeasured, Love unbounded
God alone we glorify, At God's voice the clouds assemble
Thunder roars and torrents fall, Earth shall quake before God's
presence, Mountains tremble at God's call. Trees shall bow in awe
and wonder, Bend their branches to the ground, From God's lips
one word in anger, Weakens destruction all around, But the Word
which sets in motion, Such travails can make them cease, That
same voice which tumult beckons, In a gentler breath speaks
peace.

Postlude

*Please stand if you are able.

Children's Message: Jeff Kopaska

Message: Rev. Randy Raak

Musicians: Nancy Berns, Chloe Schweingruber-Berns, Andrew Friend

TODAY'S ACTIVITIES

9:30 a.m. Morning Worship

10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time

ANNOUNCEMENTS 8/21/22

The Kleinwolterink and Saldana families would like to thank our church family for all the prayers, words of encouragement and the meals that we received this past week since Tyler's passing. We feel blessed to have you as our friends.

The education committee is looking for a **couple substitute teachers** for the year to help out occasionally. Also, a **second adult Sunday school** teacher to help facilitate a discussion on the sermon (or another topic if God is leading you in that direction). We are excited for the new year to help grow our faith for our whole congregation! Contact Rachel De Bruin for more information

From the Fellowship committee: On Sept 5 an international dinner will be served. We need 25 volunteers to help with this event, serving food and interacting with the students. If you would like to help please let Elaine Oftendal, Sue Fee or Lora Copley know. The event begins at 6 pm, and there will be a sign up sheet on the table by the office. Also requested for this event is donations of cookies and bars for the dessert portion of the meal, separate signup sheet will also be on the table outside the office.

We are organizing a team from Trinity CRC to go Hy-Vee Hall on **Saturday, September 3**, (the Saturday before Labor Day) to participate in the **15th Annual Hunger Event organized by Meals from the Heartland**. We will plan to leave Trinity at 8:45 am for those from the Ames area. We will package from 10:00 until Noon. We have signed up for 8 slots, if we have more that would be great! This year they have a goal of packaging 4 million meals during the 4 day event. This is a wonderful intergenerational activity for our church. Kids as young as 5th grade with a parent are allowed to participate. A team from last year had a wonderful time!!! A sign-up

sheet is on the bulletin table outside the sanctuary or you can contact Mark Voss.

A copy of the directory has been printed off and is on the table by the office, please supply any updates/new contact information for the church. There are blank lines at the end of the list for new adds, otherwise cross out and add updates. If you have questions please talk to Pam Whitney or send email to Office@amestrinity.org, Thank you for keeping our information up to date.

The Education committee would like to let you know we will be commissioning Teachers on September 11th as well as being the first day of Sunday School being held this day as well. Prayers for all those teaching and learning.

The Education committee is looking for a few new members, contact Rachel De Bruin if you are interested. Please consider this position as the education on our young people is something we have promised to do for our church family.

NAMI has a fall class starting **on September 12th from 6 to 830 pm**, for 8 weeks, if you are interested, please visit their web site. For more information.

Preseason games have started, so IT IS TIME to start thinking **FANTASY FOOTBALL!!!**

If you're interested in joining the league this year, here's the link: https://football.fantasysports.yahoo.com/f1/1073240/invitation?key=b0c3be74832d395d&soc_trk=lnk&ikey=307eefe9576c0370. We'll probably have an online draft – but the Commish could be talked into hosting a Draft Party if y'all are interested...It's really easy, so even if you haven't done it before you're welcome to join

SMALL GROUPS, Committees, & SUNDAY SCHOOL

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

UFO – UFO – UFO will meet on the 3rd Monday of the month.

Women’s Bible Study – Since the first Monday of September is Labor day, the women’s bible study will meet Monday August 29th at 9am in the fellowship hall to discuss the faith practice of prayer, all are invited.

Next Council meeting will be September 14th

DENOMINATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tour the Biblical Lands of Israel - March 6 – March 17, 2023.

Experience a refreshing renewal of your faith, and gain a deeper understanding of the Bible, as you tour the biblical lands with teaching host, Pastor Peter Tuininga, and Sindbad Tours of Israel. See many of the biblical places (Jerusalem, Galilee, Caesarea, Jericho, and much more), and gain spiritual and historical insights which will make the Bible come alive for you. For complete information, cost, and registration, go to toursofisrael.wordpress.com or call Peter Tuininga: 1 289 877 8433 or e-mail: peter.tuininga@gmail.com

CRC Communications

Position Opening: Director of Synodical Services - Do you have leadership experience, a good understanding of CRC church polity and the Church Order, and a heart to serve the CRCNA? Consider applying for the position of Director of Synodical Services. In this role, you'll serve, support, and equip the governance of the Christian Reformed Church in North America (CRCNA), facilitating and administering all meetings and matters pertaining to Synod and the Council of Delegates. The Director will serve as the liaison between the Office of General Secretary, and classes in Canada and the U.S.; strengthen the capacity of synodical and COD members; equip its leadership; and promote best governance practices and continuous improvement. For details and to apply, go to crcna.org/get-involved/careers

ReFrame Ministries

Courageous Creativity - Check out the kids' devotion at www.kidscorner.net. God chose you to share his gift with the world in unique and creative ways! Perhaps God gave you the creative ability to sing songs about his love, to be a gospel storyteller, or to serve others with your talents. Listen now at kidscorner.net and check out all the new content.

Family Fire - Family Fire is an online community exploring Spirit-led family, marriage, parenting, in-laws, blended families, and intimacy. Find encouraging articles and devotions at familyfire.com. Subscribe for regular email updates and connect with our Family Fire community on Facebook.

Groundwork: Salt and Light: A Kingdom Perspective on Jesus's Followers in the World - What are we to be like as Jesus's disciples out in the world? How should we act? How should we interact? Join Groundwork as we study Matthew 5:13-16 to study the two declarative statements Jesus makes that tell us who we are as his followers and helps us understand how we should be. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

Resonate Global Mission

Glocal Mission Podcast - How do we join God's mission locally and globally? That's what Resonate leaders Rich Braaksma and Nalini Suganandam aim to discover in this podcast, interviewing regional leaders and people doing awesome things (church planters, campus ministers, lay leaders, etc.) in a variety of contexts! Just five episodes in, this podcast in its infancy is already uncovering oodles of insight and inspiration. Plug in your earbuds and join us as we meet ministry leaders from around North America living out the gospel in their own contexts. Check it out at <https://anchor.fm/glocalmission>

Nursery

August 28 Pam N and Caraline

September 4 Rachel and Cassie
September 11 Mindy and Kristy
September 18 Melody and Chloe
September 25 Kristy and Colton
October 2 Donna and Jayden
October 9 Elaine and Judy
October 16 Stacy and Chloe
October 23 Kenzie and Caraline

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Elders: A-G = Brian Sterenberg;; H-K = Melody Franje;; L-S = Mark Voss;; T-Z = Jeff Kopaska:

Deacons: A-G = Tina VanDyk;; H-K = Pam Niemeyer;; L-S = Judy Oltman;; T-Z = Mary Saucedo: