

WORSHIP SERVICE
October 23, 2022
Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

Prelude

Welcome

- * God's Greeting
- * We Greet One Another
- * Call to Worship^{Psalm 108:3-5}

I will praise you, Lord, among the nations;

I will sing of you among the peoples.

For great is your love, higher than the heavens; your faithfulness reaches to the skies.

Be exalted, O God, above the heavens. Let your glory reign over all the earth.

- * Opening Song "He Is Exalted" Sing! A New Creation #41

He is exalted, the King is exalted on high:

I will praise Him.

He is exalted, forever exalted,
and I will praise his name!

He is the Lord, forever his truth shall reign;
Heaven and earth rejoice in his holy name.

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"Take My Life And Let It Be" vs 1, 2, 3, 6

Lift Up Your Hearts #863

Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee. Take my moments and my days; let them flow in endless praise, let them flow in endless praise.

Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of thy love. Take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for thee, swift and beautiful for thee.

Take my voice and let me sing always, only, for my King. Take my lips and let them be filled with messages from thee, filled with messages from thee.

Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine. Take my heart it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne, it shall be thy royal throne.

Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store. Take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee, ever, only, all for thee.

* Opening Prayer

WE ARE RECONCILED TO GOD

Prayer of Confession

Forgive us, Lord, when we disparage one another instead of encouraging those in our community.

We boast and brag. We gossip and slander. We allow jealousy and envy to fester in our hearts and spread through our words and actions.

Create in us a clean heart.

Give us humility and strength when we should be silent and wisdom and grace when we should speak.

Help us to come alongside one another and lift each other up.

Fill us with the joy of your salvation so that we may share the good news of your grace.

Assurance of Pardon Titus 3:4-7

“But when the kindness and love of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life.”

Song of Entrusting: “Create In Me A Clean Heart”

Sing! A New Creation #49

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from your presence, O Lord, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of your salvation, and renew a right spirit within me.

Children’s Message

Congregational Prayer

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

Scripture Reading: James 3:1-12 (p:1119)

3 Not many of you should become teachers, my fellow believers, because you know that we who teach will be judged more strictly. **2** We all stumble in many ways. Anyone who is never at fault in what they say is perfect, able to keep their whole body in check. **3** When we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we can turn the whole animal. **4** Or take ships as an example. Although they are so large and are driven by strong winds, they are steered by a very small rudder wherever the pilot wants to go. **5** Likewise, the tongue is a small part of the body, but it makes great boasts. Consider what a great forest is set on fire by a small spark. **6** The tongue also is a fire, a world of evil among the parts of the body. It corrupts the whole body, sets the whole course of one’s life on fire, and is itself set on fire by hell.

⁷ All kinds of animals, birds, reptiles and sea creatures are being tamed and have been tamed by mankind, ⁸ but no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison.

⁹ With the tongue we praise our Lord and Father, and with it we curse human beings, who have been made in God's likeness. ¹⁰ Out of the same mouth come praise and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this should not be. ¹¹ Can both fresh water and salt water flow from the same spring? ¹² My brothers and sisters, can a fig tree bear olives, or a grapevine bear figs? Neither can a salt spring produce fresh water.

Message: Faith That Works- Your Words Become Your World

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Application

* Song of Response: "Guide Me, O Great Redeemer"

Lift Up Your Hearts #43

Guide me, O my great Redeemer, pilgrim through this barren land; I am weak, but you are mighty; hold me with your powerful hand. Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed me now and evermore, feed me now and evermore.

Open now the crystal fountain, where the healing waters flow. Let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through. Strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer, ever be my strength and shield, ever be my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside. Death of death, and hell's Destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side. Songs of praises, songs of praises I will ever sing to you, I will ever sing to you.

WE DEPART TO SERVE

* Blessing

* Closing Song: "They'll Know We Are Christians"

Lift Up Your Hearts #256

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord.
We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,
and we pray that al unity may one day be restored.
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love.
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.
We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand.
We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand
and together we'll spread the news that God is in our land.
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love.
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.
We will work with each other, we will work side by side.
We will work with each other, we will work side by side
and we'll guard each one's dignity and save each one's pride. And
they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love. Yes, they'll
know we are Christians by our love.
All praise to the Father, from whom all things come,
and all praise to Christ Jesus, his only Son,
and all praise to the Spirit, who makes us all one.
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love.
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

Postlude

*Please stand if you are able.

Children's Message: Jeff Kopaska

Message: Rev Seongjun Kim

Musicians: Char Vercade, Mark Voss, Pam Voss

Today's Activities

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Peter Fish - Over 1 billion people around the world are hungry. In three weeks, we'll be observing World Hunger Sunday. God gives us food for the body and food for the spirit. He has a place for all of us at His table. worldrenew.net/worldhunger. We will collect the Peter Fish on November 6th. There are booklets in the basket on the table by the office, be sure to grab one to go with your Peter Fish.

The special offering next week will be for **Ames Ecumenical Housing**. Through Keystone Apartments and Stonehaven Apartments here in Ames, Ames Ecumenical Housing provides housing for lower income older adults and those with mobility impairment.

Our **next intergenerational activity** is **Wednesday, Oct 26th at 6:30**. Pumpkin carving and painting! This is to prep for the Trunk or Treat event scheduled for Friday. Bring your own pumpkin & carving tools if you have them. Paint and brushes and some carving instruments will be available.

Sawyer Elementary Winter Clothing Drive: Our local elementary school, Abbie Sawyer Elementary, is holding a winter clothing drive for students who do not have access to suitable winter clothing. We will be collecting winter coats, hats, mittens and gloves in children's sizes from now until **October 23**. These can be new or gently used. A collection tub will be in the church entryway. If you don't want to pick something out, another option would be a gift card to TJ Maxx, Walmart or Target. This is a great opportunity to help children in our community with something very practical. Thank you from the TCRC Outreach Committee!!

The Fellowship committee would like to invite you to sign up for treats. Serving treats to our church family is a great way to show your love for

them and to help the fellowship committee out. You can serve your own treats or they will do the work of serving and clean up. Please consider signing up for a Sunday that works for you and let them know if you want to serve or let them do the work.

Sunday School Schedule for 2022/23: October 2,9,16,23,30, November 6,13,20 No class 27th due to Thanksgiving, December 4, 11 (probable Christmas program practice) Christmas Program Dec 18, January 8,15,22,29, February 5,12,19,26, March 5,19,26 (12th Spring Break) April 2,16,23,30 (Easter 9th), May 7 (last day of class)

First Adult Sunday school class: Visual Arts in the Worshiping Church. Will be led by Naomi Friend and Tom Niehof.

Second Adult Sunday school class: Vanishing Grace:. Elaine Oftedal and Nancy Berns will facilitate. All ages welcome!

Calling all women of the Church! We have been given a unique opportunity to organize and lead a Bible study for the women of The Bridge Home. It is a home in Ames that bridges the gap between homelessness and housing. Recently they have had a large increase in women and families. There is already a men's Bible study, and we would be starting the women's. The hope is to have two women lead every Tuesday evening. The number of volunteers will determine the schedule. Please prayerfully consider this opportunity. If interested, please contact Mindy Nikkel at mindysue24@gmail.com or 515-290-5422.

General Elections November 8th A reminder that the church will be a polling place for the general election on November 8th. Equipment will be delivered on the 7th, people will be in the church from 6 am till 8 pm. They are thankful that we allow the use of our building for this event.

TRUNK or TREAT will be Friday, **October 28!** We will have refreshments, photobooth, tattoos, 5 blowups to play on, and of course the trunk or treat stop. Please mark your calendar to help with this

event or to bring your family. Contact Mark Voss with any questions, signups on the table by the office, volunteers needed.

Pastor Randy will be out of the office until Thursday October 27th. He will have limited phone reception/access until Monday, when he will be in Chicago at a conference until Wednesday evening. Prayers for safe travels. Contact your Elder if you have issues during this time.

Small Groups, Committees, & Sunday School Updates

Sunday School Classes meet at 10:50 am on Sunday

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

UFO Will meet the 3rd Monday of the Month

Women's Bible Study – First Monday of the Month

Next Council meeting will be November 9th

DENOMINATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

Calvin University

Scriptoria Writers' Workshop - The Scriptoria Writers' Workshop welcomes all writers to its 2023 incarnation, to be held at Calvin University on June 19-23, 2023. Come spend a week of writing workshops, craft classes, meetings with editors and agents, and lectures and readings from our guest writers: Leslie Leyland Fields, Maurice Manning, Vinita Hampton Wright, Patrice Gopo, and others. Visit www.scriptoriaworkshop.org/home or contact Gary D. Schmidt at schg@calvin.edu for more information.

ReFrame Ministries

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.

Listen to God - Check out the kids' devotion at www.kidscorner.net. How does God talk to you? Maybe during prayer. Maybe God speaks to you when you read the Bible. How do you listen to God? Listen now at kidscorner.net and check out all the new content.

Prayers of Compassion - Perhaps the best way to support a grieving friend or loved one is to pray for them. The ReFrame Prayer Ministry has released "Prayers of Compassion for Someone Who is Grieving," a 31-day intercessory prayer guide. You can download it for free at connect.reframeministries.org/prayers-of-compassion

Groundwork: Called to be God's Prophet - It can be hard, even shocking to follow God's call on our lives and share his message. Join Groundwork as we study Ezekiel 1-3 to learn from Ezekiel's experience and discuss what it means to be called, to be a prophet, and to speak truth. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

World Renew

Are you Called to Serve on Spring Break 2023? - World Renew Disaster Response Services is looking for youth groups and high school or college-aged volunteers to help repair disaster-damaged homes across North America on Spring Break in 2023. No experience needed--just bring a heart willing to serve Christ and others! World Renew DRS has 50 years of experience in volunteer disaster response. Find out more and sign up at worldrenew.net/springbreak.

Greeters

October 23 Kristy and Jeff Kopaska
October 30 Pam and Joel Niemeyer
November 6 Sue Fee

Nursery

October 23 Kenzie and Caraline
October 30 Pam N and Cassie
November 6 Rachel and Donna

November 13 Mindy and Alisabeth
November 20 Melody and Jessica
November 27 Kristy and Jayden
December 4 Elaine and Kathlyn
December 11 Judy and Megan
December 18 Jessica and Cassie
December 25 *No Nursery for holiday*
January 1 Rachel and Kristy

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