

WORSHIP SERVICE

July 2, 2023

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

Prelude

Welcome

* God's Greeting

* We Greet One Another

* Call to Worship Psalm 33:1-5

Sing joyfully to the Lord, you righteous; it is fitting for the upright to praise him.

Praise the Lord with the harp; make music to him on the ten-stringed lyre.

Sing to him a new song; play skillfully, and shout for joy.

For the word of the Lord is right and true; he is faithful in all he does.

The Lord loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of his unfailing love.

* Opening Songs: "For The Beauty Of The Earth"

Lift Up Your Hearts #19

For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies,

for the love which from our birth over and around us lies.

Christ, our Lord, to you we raise this, our hymn of grateful praise.

For the wonder of each hour of the day and of the night,

hill and vale and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light,

Christ, our Lord, to you we raise this, our hymn of grateful praise.

For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's delight,

for the love which from our birth over and around us lies,

Christ, our Lord, to you we raise this, our hymn of grateful praise.

For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child,

friends on earth, and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild,

Christ, our Lord, to you we raise this, our hymn of grateful praise.

For yourself, best gift divine, to the world so freely given,
agent of God's grand design: peace on earth and joy in heaven.
Christ, our Lord, to you we raise this, our hymn of grateful praise.

“Shout To The Lord”

Lift Up Your Hearts #603

My Jesus, my Savior, Lord, there is none like you.

All of my days, I want to praise
the wonders of your mighty love.

My comfort, my shelter, tower of refuge and strength,
let every breath, all that I am,
never cease to worship you.

Shout to the Lord, all the earth, let us sing
power and majesty, praise to the King.

Mountains bow down and the seas will roar
at the sound of your name.

I sing for joy at the work of your hands:
forever I'll love you, forever I'll stand.

Nothing compares to the promise I have in you.

*Opening Prayer

*Song: “I Love You Lord”

Sing! A New Creation #16

I love you, Lord
and I lift my voice
to worship you;
O my soul, rejoice
Take joy, my King,
in what you hear;
may it be a sweet,
sweet sound in your ear.

WE ARE RECONCILED TO GOD

Prayer of Confession

Dear Lord, we confess that there are times when we think we are
good enough to deserve to go to heaven on our own merit. We
compare ourselves to others, or a convenient lower standard,

instead of your holiness. Help us to never discount your great saving work for us through Jesus Christ. Help us to not forget our need for your salvation, or all that you went through for us. In Jesus' name alone we pray, amen.

Words of Assurance Romans 5:8-10

God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God's wrath through him! For if, while we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life!

Song of Entrusting: "Blessed Assurance" *Lift Up Your Hearts #363*

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior, all the day long;
this is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.
Perfect submission, perfect delight, visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
angels descending, bring from above echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior, all the day long;
this is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.
Perfect submission, all is at rest, I in my Savior am happy and blest,
watching and waiting, looking above, filled with his goodness, lost in his love.

This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior, all the day long;
this is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

Children's Message

Congregational Prayer

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading: Psalm 66 (p:534)

¹ Shout for joy to God, all the earth! ² Sing the glory of his name; make his praise glorious. ³ Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! So great is your power that your enemies cringe before you. ⁴ All the earth bows down to you; they sing praise to you, they sing the praises of your name." ⁵ Come and see what God has done, his awesome deeds for mankind! ⁶ He turned the sea into dry land, they passed through the waters on foot—come, let us rejoice in him. ⁷ He rules forever by his power, his eyes watch the nations—let not the rebellious rise up against him. ⁸ Praise our God, all peoples, let the sound of his praise be heard; ⁹ he has preserved our lives and kept our feet from slipping. ¹⁰ For you, God, tested us; you refined us like silver. ¹¹ You brought us into prison and laid burdens on our backs. ¹² You let people ride over our heads; we went through fire and water, but you brought us to a place of abundance. ¹³ I will come to your temple with burnt offerings and fulfill my vows to you—¹⁴ vows my lips promised and my mouth spoke when I was in trouble. ¹⁵ I will sacrifice fat animals to you and an offering of rams; I will offer bulls and goats. ¹⁶ Come and hear, all you who fear God; let me tell you what he has done for me. ¹⁷ I cried out to him with my mouth; his praise was on my tongue. ¹⁸ If I had cherished sin in my heart, the Lord would not have listened; ¹⁹ but God has surely listened and has heard my prayer. ²⁰ Praise be to God, who has not rejected my prayer or withheld his love from me!

Message: Spiritual disciplines - Worship

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Application

* Song of Response: "Your Name"

Lift Up Your Hearts #375

As morning dawns and evening fades You inspire songs of praise
That rise from earth to touch Your heart And glorify Your Name
Your Name is a strong and mighty tower Your Name is a shelter like
no other

Your Name let the nations sing it louder 'Cause nothing has the
power to save
But Your Name
Jesus in Your Name we pray Come and fill our hearts today
Lord give us strength to live for You And glorify Your Name
Your Name is a strong and mighty tower Your Name is a shelter like
no other
Your Name let the nations sing it louder 'Cause nothing has the
power to save
But Your Name

WE CELEBRATE GOD'S COVENANT WITH US

The Lord's Supper

Communion song: "Behold The Lamb" *Lift Up Your Hearts #840*

The body of our Saviour Jesus Christ Torn for you eat and remember
The wounds that heal the death that brings us life Paid the price to
make us one

So we share in this Bread of Life And we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of love Around the table of the King
The blood that cleanses every stain of sin Shed for you drink and
remember

He drained death's cup that all may enter in To receive the life of
God

So we share in this Bread of Life And we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of grace Around the table of the King
And so with thankfulness and faith we rise To respond and to
remember

Our call to follow in the steps of Christ As His body here on earth
As we share in His suffering We proclaim Christ will come again
And we'll join in the feast of heaven Around the table of the King

WE DEPART TO SERVE

* Blessing

* Closing Song: "Oh, For A Thousand Tongues To Sing" vs 1, 2, 4, 8

Lift Up Your Hearts #590

1 O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace!

2 My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,
to spread thro' all the earth abroad the honors of your name.

4 He breaks the power of cancelled sin, he sets the prisoner free;
his blood can make the foulest clean; his blood availed for me.

8. To God all glory, praise, and love Be now and ever given

By saits below and saints above, The church in earth and heaven

Postlude

*Please stand if you are able.

Children's Message: Alexa Kopaska

Message: Rev. Randy Raak

Musicians: Andrew Friend, Elijah Hufford, Laura Hufford, Chloe Berns-Schweingruber,

ANNOUNCEMENTS :

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

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.

Christian Education Assistance Fund: Applications are being accepted for the Christian Education Fund for the 2023-2024 school year.

Applications are available on the table outside the office. Complete the application and return it to a deacon or place in the manila envelope on the counter in the office by July 10.

There is a sign-up schedule outside the office if you want to go see **Eleanor**. We can group together to save cost of travel and make the trip a little less dull. Please sign up and let others know when you can go. If you have questions, please ask Judy Oltman or Pam Whitney know and we will see if we can find the answers.

Midwest B.A.S.I.C (Brothers And Sisters In Christ) **Youth Bible Camp**, this year will be Sunday August 6th through Wednesday the 9th. Camp is open to students who have finished the 6th grade through 12th grade. There are information/registration sheets on the table by the office. Registration link is

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1FfAUZH_3int78DAcGrU9woN72HtIQTUrgnmlkWNTY0/edit.

This week's service will be outside. Remember to bring your chairs.

Areopagus will be using the Church on July 15th for their annual meeting.

Small Groups, Committees, & Sunday School Updates

Sunday School Classes Will resume this fall

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

UFO will meet Monday July 17th at Janet Bakker' home. Welcome to bring a project or come for fellowship.

Women's Bible Study WILL NOT MEET on Monday July 3rd, next meeting will be August 7th.

Next Council meeting will be July 12th

DENOMINATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

World Renew

Thank you for giving the gift of clean water - Thank you for offering hope to people in need around the world with access to clean water through World Renew's Clean Water Sunday last week. Your generosity will equip communities to thrive by avoiding the threat of waterborne illness and experiencing fewer deaths because clean water is in reach. Thank you for seeing the need and helping to fulfill it. Give or learn more at worldrenew.net/cleanwater

ReFrame Ministries

Kids Corner: Being God's Copycat - Check out this week's kids' devotion at www.kidscorner.net. God wants us to copy him. As Christians, we're called to "be like God in true righteousness and holiness" (Ephesians 4:24) every single day. Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net like the Image Bearer Picture Frame.

VOLUNTEERS

Congregational Prayer:	Rex De Bruin
Sound :	Tom Whitney
Nursery:	Elaine and Kenzie
Children's message:	Alexa Kopaska
Greeters:	Yoder

Greeters

July 2	Yoder
July 9	Baker
July 16	Bergman
July 23	De Bruin
July 30	Franje
August 6	Copley

Nursery

July 2	Megan and Kristy
July 9	Sue F and Jayden
July 16	Judy and Caraline H
July 23	Mary K and Stacy H
July 30	Rachel and Alisabeth

August 6 Melody and Kathlyn

Children's Message

July 2 Alexa Kopaska

July 9 Stacy Hertz

July 16 Randy Raak

July 23 Rex De Bruin

July 30 Laura Hufford

August 6 Deb Niehof

Congregational Prayer

July 2 Rex De Bruin

July 9 Randy Raak

July 16 Mark Voss

July 23 Paul Kleinwolterink

July 30 Randy Raak

August 6 Jeff Kopaska

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T-Z = Mark Irvin