

WORSHIP SERVICE

July 30, 2023

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

Prelude

Welcome

* God's Greeting

* We Greet One Another

* Call to Worship (Proverbs 2:1-8)

My children, if you accept my words and store up my commands within you, turning your ear to wisdom and applying your heart to understanding—

indeed, if you call out for insight and cry aloud for understanding, and if you look for it as for silver and search for it as for hidden treasure,

then you will understand the fear of the Lord and find the knowledge of God. For the Lord gives wisdom; from his mouth come knowledge and understanding.

He holds success in store for the upright, he is a shield to those whose walk is blameless, for he guards the course of the just and protects the way of his faithful ones.

* Opening Song : "How Great Thou Art" *Lift Up Your Hearts #553*

O Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder

Consider all the worlds Thy Hands have made

I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder

Thy power throughout the universe displayed

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee

How great Thou art, how great Thou art

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee

How great Thou art, how great Thou art

When through the woods and forest glades I wander,

I hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees

when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur

And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee
How great Thou art, how great Thou art
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee
How great Thou art, how great Thou art
But when I think that God, His Son not sparing
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in
That on the Cross, my burden gladly bearing
He bled and died to take away my sin
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee
How great Thou art, how great Thou art
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee
How great Thou art, how great Thou art
When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart
Then I shall bow in humble adoration
And then proclaim, my God, how great Thou art
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee
How great Thou art, how great Thou art
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee
How great Thou art, how great Thou art

“Come Let Us Worship And Bow Down”

Lift Up Your Hearts #510

Come, let us worship and bow down,
Let us kneel before the Lord, our God, our Maker.
Come, let us worship and bow down,
Let us kneel before the Lord, our God, our Maker.
For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture,
And the sheep of his hand, just the sheep of his hand.

*Opening Prayer

WE ARE RECONCILED TO GOD

Prayer of Confession (Proverbs 30:7-9)

“Two things I ask of you, Lord; do not refuse me before I die:

Keep falsehood and lies far from me; give me neither poverty nor riches, but give me only my daily bread.

Otherwise, I may have too much and disown you and say, 'Who is the Lord?'

Or I may become poor and steal, and so dishonor the name of my God."

Words of Assurance (Proverbs 4:18-19; 16:3; 22:4)

The path of the righteous is like the morning sun, shining ever brighter till the full light of day. But the way of the wicked is like deep darkness; they do not know what makes them stumble. So commit to the Lord whatever you do, and he will establish your plans. For humility is the fear of the Lord, and its wages are riches and honor and life.

Song of Entrusting : "Before The Throne of God Above" *Lift Up Your Hearts* #682

Before the throne of God above I have a strong, a perfect plea;
a great High Priest, whose name is Love, who ever lives and pleads
for me.

My name is graven on his hands, my name is written on his heart;
I know that while in heaven he stands no tongue can bid me thence
depart,
no tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair and tells me of the guilt within,
upward I look, and see him there who made an end of all my sin.
Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free;
for God the Just is satisfied to look on him and pardon me,
to look on him and pardon me.

Behold him there! the risen Lamb, my perfect, spotless
righteousness;

the great unchangeable "I AM," the King of glory and of grace!

One with himself, I cannot die, my soul is purchased by his blood;
my life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ my Savior and my God,
with Christ my Savior and my God.

Children's Message

Congregational Prayer

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading: Proverbs 28:19; 21:20; 21:17; 11:24-25

Proverbs 28 ¹⁹ Those who work their land will have abundant food, but those who chase fantasies will have their fill of poverty.

Proverbs 21: ²⁰ If someone curses their father or mother, their lamp will be snuffed out in pitch darkness.

Proverbs 21: ¹⁷ Food gained by fraud tastes sweet, but one ends up with a mouth full of gravel.

Proverbs 11: ²⁴ One person gives freely, yet gains even more; another withholds unduly, but comes to poverty. ²⁵ A generous person will prosper; whoever refreshes others will be refreshed.

Message: The Art of Living - Managing Money

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Application

* Song of Response: "We Give Thee But Thine Own" (vs 1-3,4) *Lift Up Your Hearts #877*

We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be;
all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee
To comfort and to bless, to find a balm for woe,
to tend the lonely in distress, is angels' work below.
The captive to release, to God the lost to bring,
to teach the way of life and peace - it is a Christ-like thing.

WE DEPART TO SERVE

* Blessing

* Closing Song: "Go My Children, With My Blessing" *Lift Up Your Hearts #946*

Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone.
Waking, sleeping, I am with you; you are my own.
In my love's baptismal river I have made you mine forever.
Go, my children, with my blessing; you are my own.
Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
Here you heard my dear Son's story; here you touched him, saw his glory.
Go my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.

Go, my children, fed and nourished, closer to me.
Grow in love and love by serving, joyful and free.
Here my Spirit's power filled you; here his tender comfort stilled you.
Go my children, fed and nourished, joyful and free

Postlude

*Please stand if you are able.

Children's Message: Derek Ten Pas

Message: Rev. Randy Raak

Musicians: Andrew Friend, Maggie VanDyk, Nate VanDyk

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Communion: We look forward to celebrating the Lord's Supper next Sunday morning. All who are trusting in Christ and have made a public stand for him are encouraged to join.

The special offering next week will be for the **God's Mercy to Haiti**.

God's Mercy to Haiti is a teaching and mercy ministry to the impoverished Haitian village of Kilbitè. They live without electricity or running water. Their warm hearts, eager minds, and resourceful efforts make them a delight to love and serve. Jeff Maskovich will be here to give us more information. New news letter in fellowship hall.

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. Her daughter, Nancy Ann will be out of town August 14 – 18. This would be a great time to visit, to help Eleanor pass this time while her daughter is away.

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_3int78DAcGrU9woN72HtlQTUrgnmlkWNTY0/edit.

Please let Pam know if you have questions. The church will pay for part of you camp fee, so please let Pam know if you are planning to attend.

Even though we are in the dog days of summer it's time to start to think about fall and Sunday school! Please reach out to any Education board member to discuss possible teaching opportunities to help foster Christian education for our youth and adults. Opportunities to be a regular teacher or substitute available for all age of classes.

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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 meets the 3rd Monday of the month

Women's Bible Study next meeting will be August 7th at 9 am in the fellowship hall. Discussion topic will be "Witness", a faith practice we are all called to do. Printed sheets with discussion questions on the table by the office.

Next Council meeting will be August 9th

DENOMINATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

ReFrame Ministries

Groundwork: Only Glorify Jesus - The Apostle Paul offers a valuable perspective on power, authority, and leadership in the church, and a vital reminder that Christ is the foundation upon which we should build all things. Join Groundwork as we study 1 Corinthians 3 to gain a better understanding of what it means to dwell in Christ and live and work as believers today. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

Kids Corner: Don't Be Afraid - Check out this week's kids' devotion at www.kidscorner.net. We all feel afraid at times. Maybe like the disciples in Matthew 8, you have been scared during a storm. Just like Jesus was with his disciples during the storm, it's important for us to remember that God promises to never leave us in our times of need. Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net like the Bible story podcast "Jesus Calms the Storm."

Resonate Global Mission

Serve in the Middle East - Five times a day people are called to prayer in the Middle East. Do you feel the call to live and serve where the majority population is strongly influenced by the Islamic religion and culture? Resonate is recruiting young adults to serve with Cohort Middle East. Live in community, serve in a grassroots ministry, and grow in your faith. Learn more at www.resonateglobalmission.org/cohort

VOLUNTEERS

Congregational Prayer:	Randy Raak
Sound	Bryan Van Belle
Nursery:	Rachel and Alisabeth
Children's message:	Derek Ten Pas
Greeters:	Franje

Greeters

July 30	Franje
August 6	Copley
August 13	Hobson
August 20	Voss
August 27	Hebert
September 3	Hufford
September 10	Friend

Nursery

July 30	Rachel and Alisabeth
August 6	Melody and Kathlyn
August 13	Jessica and Brianna
August 20	Donna and Kathlyn

August 27	Elaine and Cassie
September 3	Mindy and Pam
September 10	Megan and Kenzie

Children's Message

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August 6	Deb Niehof
August 13	Alexa Kopaska
August 20	Jeff Kopaska
August 27	Laura Hufford
September 3	Lora Copley
September 10	Jeff Kopaska

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T-Z = Jeff Kopaska

Deacons: A-G = Joseph Yoder; H-K = Pam Niemeyer; L-S = Tom Whitney;
T-Z = Mark Irvin