# WORSHIP SERVICE October 19, 2025

#### WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

Prelude

Welcome

- \* God's Greeting
- \* We Greet One Another
- \* Call to Worship (Psalm 143:8,10; Isaiah 26:3-4)

Let the morning bring me word of your unfailing love, for I have put my trust in you.

# May your good Spirit lead me on level ground.

Teach me to do your will, for you are my God; show me the way I should go, for to you I entrust my life.

You will keep in perfect peace those whose minds are steadfast, because they trust in you.

Trust in the Lord forever, for the Lord himself is the Rock eternal.

\* Opening Song: "Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone" Lift Up Your Hearts #693

Amazing grace how sweet the sound

That saved a wretch like me

I once was lost but now I'm found

Was blind but now I see

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear And grace my fears relieved How precious did that grace appear The hour I first believed

My chains are gone I've been set free My God my Savior has ransomed me And like a flood His mercy rains Unending love amazing grace

The Lord has promised good to me His word my hope secures He will my shield and portion be As long as life endures

Through many dangers, toils, and snares I have already come; 'tis grace hath brought me Safe thus far, and grace will lead me home

My chains are gone I've been set free My God my Savior has ransomed me And like a flood His mercy rains Unending love amazing grace

When we've been there ten thousand years Bright shining as the sun We've no less days to sing God's Praise Than when we'd first begun.

- \* Opening Prayer
- \* Song: "Good to Me"

*Lift Up Your Hearts* #620

I cry out for your hand of mercy to heal me.

I am weak; I need your love to free me.

O Lord, my rock, my strength in weakness-

Come rescue me, O Lord.

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I am weak; I need your love to free me.

O Lord, my rock, my strength in weakness-

Come rescue me, O Lord.

You are my hope; your promise never fails me.

And my desire is to follow you forever.

For you are good, for you are good, for you are good to me.

For you are good, for you are good for you are good to me.

I cry out for your hand of mercy to heal me.

I am weak; I need your love to free me.

O Lord, my rock, my strength in weakness-

Come rescue me, O Lord.

You are my hope; your promise never fails me.

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For you are good, for you are good, for you are good to me.

For you are good, for you are good to me.

## WE ARE RECONCILED TO GOD

**Prayer of Confession** 

Dear Father, you have been so good to us. Yet we misuse your forgiveness in many ways. At times we deny our sinfulness, yet we can't get rid of the anxiety that comes from knowing, deep-down, that we are flawed.

Like Adam and Eve, we may search for fig leaves to cover the inadequacy and shame of our guilt. We gossip or slander others to make ourselves look better. We assign false or self-serving motives to the actions of others.

Instead of accepting your forgiveness, we may attempt to shift blame to others, or justify our own sins by assigning better motives to them. We may hide in self-pity or self-flagellation.

We might not forgive others from our hearts, holding onto a feeling of superiority.

Father, forgive us for the times we know not what we do, for the times we deceive ourselves, and for the times we know all too well, but sin anyway. In your grace alone we rest. Amen.

Words of Assurance: (2 Corinthians 12:9, Romans 3:23-24)

But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me. For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and all are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus.

Song of Entrusting: "Shine On Us"

Lord, let your light, light of your face shine on us.

Lord, let your light, light of your face shine on us.

That we may be saved, that we may have life;

to find our way in the darkest night,

let your light shine on us.

Lord, let your grace, grace from your hand fall on us.

Lord, let your grace, grace from your hand fall on us.

That we may be saved, that we may have life;

to find our way in the darkest night,

let your grace fall on us.

Lord, let your love, love with no end come over us.

Lord, let your love, love with no end come over us.

That we may be saved, that we may have life;

to find our way in the darkest night,

let your love come over us.

let your light shine on us.

Children's Message

**Congregational Prayer** 

### WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading: I Peter 4:8

Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins.

Message: Love That Covers a Multitude of Sins

#### WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

**Prayer of Application** 

\* Song of Response:

"Spirit of God, Who Dwells Within My Heart"

Lift Up Your Hearts #618

Spirit of God, who dwells within my heart, wean it from sin, through all its pulses move. Stoop to my weakness, mighty as you are, and make me love you as I ought to love. I ask no dream, no prophet ecstasies, no sudden rending of the veil of clay, no angel visitant, no opening skies; but take the dimness of my soul away. Did you not bid us love you, God and King, love you with all our heart and strength and mind? I see the cross there teach my heart to cling. O let me seek you and O let me find! Teach me to feel that you are always nigh; teach me the struggles of the soul to bear, to check the rising doubt, the rebel sigh; teach me the patience of unceasing prayer. Teach me to love you as your angels love, one holy passion filling all my frame: the fullness of the heaven-descended Dove; my heart an altar, and your love the flame.

## **WE DEPART TO SERVE**

- \* Blessing
- \* Closing Song: "Salvation Belongs to Our God"

Lift Up Your Hearts #608

Salvation belongs to our God
Who sits upon the throne,
and to the Lamb
Praise and Glory,
Wisdom and thanks,
Honor and power and strength.

Be to our God forever and ever, Be to our God forever and ever, Be to our God forever and ever, amen. And we, the redeemed shall be strong
In purpose and unity
Declaring aloud
Praise and Glory,
Wisdom and thanks,
Honor and power and strength.

Be to our God forever and ever, Be to our God forever and ever, Be to our God forever and ever, amen.

#### Postlude

\* Please stand if you are able.

Children's Message: Jeff Kopaska Message: Pastor Randy Raak

Musicians: Elijah Goossen, Holly Raak, Alisabeth Copley

## TCRC ANNOUNCEMENTS

**October is Pastor Appreciation Month**. This is a great time to thank your pastors for their dedication to the church. A simple handwritten note or a thoughtful gesture can show them how much their work is valued. Please consider showing your appreciation with a donation in the collection or a personal gift. Please mark you gift with "pastor appreciation". On behalf of the Deacons, thank you!

The special offering next week will be for the TCRC Building Fund.

**Adult Sunday School** will meet in Room 8/9 at 10:50 am. Rev. Tom Niehof will lead a study of the Gospel of Mark, chapter 5:21-6:6. All are welcome.

**Ames Christian School** is back at Trinity for the 2025-2026 school year. The school is here every day. They use the fellowship hall, kitchen, and class rooms. If you or your group use the church for anything, please remember to clean up everything after using the space.

Trunk or Treat will be Friday, Oct 24, 4:00-6:30pm. We need your help! Volunteers are needed inside, outside, and trunk-side. Grab your volunteer spot on the signup sheet on the table outside the office!

**The church will be host to 2 weddings this month**: Niemeyer wedding on Oct. 18 and De Penning wedding on Oct 25.

**If your group or committee has an announcement**, please be sure to get an update to the church office by 10:30 am on Thursdays in order to be included in the announcements for the week. Thank you!

**There is a printout of** Birthdays, Greeters, Congregational Prayer, Nursery, and Children's message on the table outside the office. This has been updated for June. The directory with the newest updates. is on the table outside the office. Please review your changes if you made any. If you have changes or need to add info, please do it on this sheet.

# **Small Groups, Committees, & Sunday School Updates**

Sunday School Classes meet after fellowship time.

**Children and Worship** meets after the Children's Message.

**Young Adult Ministry**: This group will be meeting on Fridays and Sundays throughout the year. Get added to the GroupMe for details on events! See Derek Ten Pas with questions.

**Breakfast Club** meets on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays at the Lincoln Center Hy-Vee at 8:30 am.

**UFO** meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month. Next meeting: **October 20**. Contact Kelly Hobson for details.

Women's Bible Study meets on the first Monday of the month.

**Pub Theology** meets the last Sunday of the month at Mucky Duck; next meeting will be **October 26 at 7 pm**.

**Hymn Sing** meets on the first Sunday of the month at 5pm; the next event will be on **November 2**.

**Next Council meeting** is **November 12** at 6:30pm.

# **DENOMINATION ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **ReFrame Ministries**

Kids Corner Devotions: Following God Fully - Check out this week's kids' devotion, "Following God Fully" at www.kidscorner.net. Do you have the courage to stand up for what's right, even when others don't? Discover how trusting God like Caleb (Numbers 14:24) can help you follow Him fully—even when it's hard! Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net, like our video Bible study "God's Big Story".

Groundwork: Living Our Faith Legacy - We are part of a communal, generational faith. Join Groundwork as we continue our celebration of Groundwork's 15th anniversary by studying Hebrews 12:1-2, 2 Timothy 2:1-2, Philippians 2:14-16, Matthew 28:18-20, Acts 1:8, Micah 6:8, Psalm 78:4, and 3 John 4 to explore what that means for how we live now and how we can participate in passing that faith to the next generation. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

#### **Thrive**

Thrive Faith Formation Tip - Disability Awareness Sunday - As you celebrate disability awareness this week, take time to thank God for people with disabilities who are a part of your life and your church family. Praise God for the gifts that each person can share. Pray that everyone in the church and community will notice people with disabilities and work to

reduce barriers to their participation. Brainstorm ways in which you can participate in making your church a more inclusive space. Brought to you by Thrive: crcna.org/Thrive

## **Resonate Global Mission**

Job Opening! Missionary Support Specialist - Resonate Global Mission - The successful candidate will coordinate and support the fundraising activities of Resonate missionaries so that missionary support networks are stewarded for effective support raising and ministry impact. This is a binational, full-time, hybrid role, and is designed to fill a Maternity Leave vacancy until November 2026. Apply at crcna.pinpointhq.com

# **VOLUNTEERS**

Greeters: Sanders/Bassham
Nursery: Megan S and Kenzie N

Sound: Bryan Van Belle Children's Message: Jeff Kopaska Congregational Prayer: Tom Niehof

# **Greeters**

Oct 19 Sanders/Bassham	Dec 14	Bakker
Oct 26 Sterenberg	Dec 21	Bergman
Nov 2 't Hoen	Dec 28	De Bruin
Nov 9 VanDyk	Jan 4	Franje
Nov 16 Verkade	Jan 11	Copley
Nov 23 Niemeyer	Jan 18	Hobson
Nov 30 Voss	Jan 25	Voss
Dec 7 Yoder		

# Nursery

Oct 19	Megan and Kenzie	Dec 14	Lyndee and Kristy
Oct 26	Judy and Sue	Dec 21	Mindy and Cassie
Nov 2	Mary and Elizabeth	Dec 28	Megan and Pam N
Nov 9	Sue and Clayton	Jan 4	Judy and Kenzie
Nov 16	Rachel and Brianna	Jan 11	Mary and Sue
Nov 23	Melody and Alisabeth	Jan 18	Lyndee and Elizabeth
Nov 30	Jessica and Kathlyn	Jan 25	Rachel and Clayton
Dec 7	Donna and Sue		

# Children's Message

Oct 19 Jeff Kopaska	Nov 16 Randy Raak
Oct 26 Randy Raak	Nov 23 Laura Hufford
Nov 2 Stacy Hertz	Nov 30 Lora Copley
Nov 9 Rex De Bruin	Dec 7 Jeff Kopaska

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Dec 28	Randy Raak	Jan 25	Stacy Hertz
Jan 4	Laura Hufford		

# **Congregational Prayer**

Dec 7 Paul Kleinwolterink

Oct 19 Tom Niehof	Dec 14 Randy Raak
Oct 26 Rex De Bruin	Dec 21 Jeff Kopaska
Nov 2 Randy Raak	Dec 28 Tom Niehof
Nov 9 Rex De Bruin	Jan 4 Randy Raak
Nov 16 Tom Niehof	Jan 11 Lora Copley
Nov 23 Randy Raak	Jan 18 Tom Niehof
Nov 30 Mark Voss	Jan 25 Randy Raak

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**Committee Chairs:** Building & Grounds – Jim Bergman; Education – Andrew Friend; Endowment – Paul Kleinwolterink; Fellowship – Sue Fee; Technology – Tom Kuyper; Outreach and Enfolding – Mark Voss; Worship – Randy Raak