

WORSHIP SERVICE

April 26, 2026

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

Prelude

Welcome

* God's Greeting

* We Greet One Another

* Call to Worship (from Psalm 95:1-7)

Leader: Come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

All: Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

Leader: For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

All: In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also

Leader: The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.

All: Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the Lord our Maker;

Leader: For he is our God and we are the people of his pasture.

* Opening Song: "Lord Most High" *Lift Up Your Hearts #593*

From the ends of the earth, *From the ends of the earth,*
From the depths of the sea, *From the depths of the sea,*
From the heights of the heavens, *From the heights of the heavens,*
Your name be praised.

From the hearts of the weak, *From the hearts of the weak,*
From the shouts of the strong, *From the shouts of the strong,*
From the lips of all people, *From the lips of all people,*
This song we raise Lord

Throughout the endless ages you will be crowned with praises,
Lord Most High. Exalted in every nation, sovereign of all creation
Lord Most High, be magnified be magnified.

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Your name be praised.

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From the shouts of the strong, *From the shouts of the strong,*
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*Opening Prayer

*Song: "Revelation Song"

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Holy holy holy Is the Lord God Almighty Who was and is and is to come
With all creation I sing Praise to the King of kings
You are my ev'rything And I will adore You

Clothed in rainbows of living color Flashes of lightning rolls of thunder
Blessing and honor strength and glory And power be to You the only wise King

Holy holy holy Is the Lord God Almighty Who was and is and is to come
With all creation I sing Praise to the King of kings
You are my ev'rything And I will adore You

Filled with wonder awestruck wonder At the mention of Your name
Jesus Your name is power breath and living water Such a marv'lous mystery

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WE ARE RECONCILED TO GOD

Prayer of Confession:

Almighty God, throughout our days you seek us, yet we dismiss your presence. You stand ready to reveal yourself to us, yet we are distracted by our self-interests. Forgive our selfishness. Holy Spirit, open our eyes to welcome your presence. Help us to make your name and the nature of your grace larger and easier for people to see.

Assurance of Pardon: Psalm 103:8-12

The LORD is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love. He will not always accuse, nor will he harbor his anger forever; he does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us.

Song of Entrusting: "How Great Thou Art"

Lift Up Your Hearts #553

O Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the works Thy Hand hath 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
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Children's Message

Congregational Prayer

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading: Psalm 145

- ¹ I will exalt you, my God the King; I will praise your name for ever and ever.
 - ² Every day I will praise you and extol your name for ever and ever.
 - ³ Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; his greatness no one can fathom.
 - ⁴ One generation commends your works to another; they tell of your mighty acts.
 - ⁵ They speak of the glorious splendor of your majesty—and I will meditate on your wonderful works.
 - ⁶ They tell of the power of your awesome works—and I will proclaim your great deeds.
 - ⁷ They celebrate your abundant goodness and joyfully sing of your righteousness.
 - ⁸ The Lord is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and rich in love.
 - ⁹ The Lord is good to all; he has compassion on all he has made.
 - ¹⁰ All your works praise you, Lord; your faithful people extol you.
 - ¹¹ They tell of the glory of your kingdom and speak of your might,
 - ¹² so that all people may know of your mighty acts and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.
 - ¹³ Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures through all generations.
- The Lord is trustworthy in all he promises and faithful in all he does.
- ¹⁴ The Lord upholds all who fall and lifts up all who are bowed down.

¹⁵ The eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food at the proper time.

¹⁶ You open your hand and satisfy the desires of every living thing.

¹⁷ The Lord is righteous in all his ways and faithful in all he does.

¹⁸ The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.

¹⁹ He fulfills the desires of those who fear him; he hears their cry and saves them.

²⁰ The Lord watches over all who love him, but all the wicked he will destroy.

²¹ My mouth will speak in praise of the Lord. Let every creature praise his holy name for ever and ever.

Message: God's Reigning Presence

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Application

* Song of Response:

“You Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim” *Lift Up Your Hearts #582*

You servants of God, your Master proclaim,
and publish abroad his wonderful name;
the name all victorious of Jesus extol;
his kingdom is glorious and rules over all.

God rules in the height, almighty to save;
though hid from our sight, his presence we have;
the great congregation his triumph shall sing,
ascribing salvation to Jesus, our King.

"Salvation to God, who sits on the throne!"
let all cry aloud, and honor the Son;
the praises of Jesus the angels proclaim,
fall down on their faces and worship the Lamb.

Then let us adore and give him his right:
all glory and power, all wisdom and might,
all honor and blessing – with angels above—
and thanks never ceasing for infinite love.

WE DEPART TO SERVE

* Blessing

* Closing Song: “My Friends, May You Grow in Grace” *Lift Up Your Hearts #938*

My friends, may you grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior.

My friends, may you grow in grace, and in the knowledge of Jesus Christ. To God be the glory, now and forever, now and forever, amen.

To God be the glory, now and forever, now and forever, amen.

My friends, may you grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior.

My friends, may you grow in grace, and in the knowledge of Jesus Christ. To God be the glory, now and forever, now and forever, amen.

To God be the glory, now and forever, now and forever, amen.

Postlude

*Please stand

Message: Rev. Kevin Vryhof

Children's Message: Rex De Bruin

Musicians: Alisabeth Copely, Elijah Goossen, Elijah Hufford, Laura Hufford

Sunday School Classes meet after fellowship time. Last day of classes for this school year is May 3.

Children and Worship meets during the service, after the Children's Message.

Roots Youth Group meets weekly on Wednesdays, 7:00-8:30 pm

Young Adult Ministry meets on Fridays and Sundays throughout the year.

Contact Derek Ten Pas to get connected.

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

UFO meets on the 3rd Monday of the month. Contact Kelly Hobson for details.

Women's Bible Study meets on the first Monday of the month; next meeting is May 4 at 9:00 am at the Ames Sixty Forward Center. Contact Pam Voss for details.

Pub Theology meets the last Sunday of the month at The Mucky Duck. Next meeting is April 26 at 7:00 pm.

Hymn Sing meets monthly on a Sunday. Next meeting is May 3 at 5:00 pm.

Congregational Meeting to appoint new council members on May 3, after service.

Regular Council Meeting: May 13 at 6:45 pm.

Search Committee Meeting: April 30 at 6:30 pm

TCRC ANNOUNCEMENTS

We welcome Rev. Kevin Vryhof to worship with us this week and to share a message from Psalm 145. Next week, Rev. Tom Vos will join us.

The special offering this week is for Mid-Iowa Community Action (MICA). MICA is a private, non-profit organization serving children and families affected by poverty in central Iowa. To learn more, visit micaonline.org.

Communion: We look forward to celebrating the Lord's Supper next Sunday, May 3. All who are trusting in Christ and have made a public stand for him are encouraged to join.

At this time each year, we give thanks for those who have faithfully served on Council and look ahead to selecting new leaders. We are grateful for the service of our outgoing elders, Joel Copley and Naomi Friend, and our outgoing deacons, Donna Bergman and Christopher 't Hoen. We thank them for their dedication and faithful work in serving our congregation. At its most recent meeting, Council approved nominees for new elders and deacons: elder – Brian Sterenberg and Mark Irvin; deacon – Ben Marcus, Laura Hufford, and Mindy Nikkel.

A congregational meeting will be held on May 3, immediately following the service, to appoint two elders and two deacons for two-year terms. We expect the meeting to conclude in time for Sunday School.

Adult Sunday School Classes: On May 3rd, we look forward to finishing this semester's God's World - The Wonders of Science series with Derek ten Pas. Derek is a water and wastewater treatment design engineer. He uses God's intelligent design of chemical, biological, and physical properties of water to help make dirty water clean! Derek will present on the basics of water and wastewater treatment, his career experiences, and how engineering and his faith intersect.

May 3rd is our last day of Sunday School for this school year. Thank you to all the teachers who made it happen: thank you Rachel and Megan for leading the K-5th graders, thank you Melody for leading the middle-schoolers, and thank you Rob B. for taking a leadership role in the high school group after Randy retired in January. We look forward to celebrating the end of the school year and the graduates in our church family on May 17.

At its April 8 meeting, Council heard and approved the profession of faith of Alisabeth Copley. We are pleased to welcome her into the membership of Trinity CRC and look forward to celebrating Alisabeth's public Profession of Faith on May 10.

The Search Committee has been in contact with a variety of pastor candidates and has recently conducted virtual interviews with a selected suite.

Year-end Celebration on May 17: We will gather together after the morning service to celebrate the graduates in our church family and the close of our school year with a BBQ/Potluck Lunch. More details soon. Everyone is welcome!

If you or your family have a situation that requires prayer and/or pastoral care, please contact one of the elders. The elders will help in directing you to the appropriate care needed.

Please keep food and drinks contained to the fellowship hall. This helps to keep our space neat and free of unwanted pests. Thank you!

If you or your group will be using the church building for anything, please let Tina (office@amestrinity.org) know so we can keep an accurate facility calendar. Thank you!

If you have an announcement to share, please submit it to the church office by 10:30 am on Thursdays in order to be included in the announcements for the week. If you leave a written message in the office, please include your name in case a follow-up is necessary. Thank you!

DENOMINATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

ReFrame Ministries

Kids Corner Devotions: How Do We Care for God's World? - Check out this week's kids' devotion, "How Do We Care for God's World?" at www.kidscorner.net. Discover how amazing God's world is and why it matters how we treat it. Learn simple ways you can enjoy the outdoors, care for nature, and help keep our world clean and beautiful! Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net, like KC's Earth Day collection.

Groundwork: Understanding the Purpose of God's Law - After emphatically teaching that salvation comes by grace through faith in Jesus Christ, Paul explores the contrasting paths of legalism and freedom in faith. Join Groundwork as we study Galatians 3-4 to hear Paul's encouragement to stay focused on Christ, to embrace our identity as God's children, and to find our unity as believers in Christ. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

Groundwork 15th Anniversary - Groundwork is celebrating its 15th anniversary! For more than 15 years now, this radio show and podcast has been digging into the richness of God's Word as the foundation for our lives. Come celebrate God's faithfulness with us! Register online at reframeministries.org/events

Thrive

Thrive Faith Formation Tip - Abuse often thrives in silence and secrecy. This week educate yourself on what healthy relationships and safe church practices look like. Share a resource with a friend or ministry leader. Awareness is one step toward healing, justice, and prevention. Brought to you by Thrive: crcna.org/Thrive

Calvin Theological Seminary

Paul's Missionary Journeys in Turkey and the Seven Churches of Revelation - October 9-19, 2026, visit ancient sites connected with Paul's First, Second, and Third Missionary Journeys as well as the seven churches to whom John wrote the Book of Revelation. Join Jeff Weima, professor at Calvin Theological Seminary and leading biblical scholar, for this inspirational biblical tour. Contact Dr. Weima at 616-328-3110 or weimje@calvinseminary.edu

The Banner

Writers Wanted - The Banner is looking to expand its network of news correspondents - freelance writers paid per story to report on assignments from every corner of the Christian Reformed denomination. If you love stories, are curious to ask church leaders about how and why they do things, and are willing to train and learn, our news editor would love to hear

from you: news@thebanner.org. (If you are an experienced writer, all the better! Just mention that in your email.)

VOLUNTEERS

Sound: Tom Whitney
Greeter: Oltman
Nursery: Donna and Alisabeth
Children's Message: Rex De Bruin
Congregational Prayer: Tom Niehof

Sound Tech

Apr 26	Tom Whitney	May 31	Tom Whitney
May 3	Rex De Bruin	Jun 7	Rex De Bruin
May 10	Bryan Van Belle	Jun 14	Bryan Van Belle
May 17	Rob Barnes	Jun 21	Brian Sterenberg
May 24	Brian Sterenberg	Jun 28	Rob Barnes

Greeters

Apr 26	Oltman	May 31	Ten Pas
May 3	Saldaña	Jun 7	VanDyk
May 10	Sander/Bassham	Jun 14	Verkade
May 17	Sterenberg	Jun 21	Whitney
May 24	't Hoen	Jun 28	Voss

Nursery

Apr 26	Donna and Alisabeth	May 31	Mary and Pam
May 3	Sue and Kathlyn	Jun 7	Lyndee and Kenzie
May 10	Mindy and Natalie	Jun 14	Rachel and Sue
May 17	Megan and Kristy	Jun 21	Melody and Elizabeth
May 24	Judy and Cassie	Jun 28	Jessica and Brianna

Children's Message

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May 3	Rob Barnes	Jun 7	Jeff Kopaska
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May 17	Laura Hufford	Jun 21	Rob Barnes
May 24	Lora Copley	Jun 28	Laura Hufford

Congregational Prayer

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Elders: A-G = Paul Kleinwolterink; H-K = Melody Franje; L-S = Joel Copley; T-Z = Naomi Friend

Deacons: A-G = Derek Ten Pas; H-K = Christopher 't Hoen; L-S = Mark Voss; T-Z = Donna Bergman

Committee Chairs: Building & Grounds – Jim Bergman; Education – Christopher 't Hoen; Endowment – Paul Kleinwolterink; Fellowship – Sue Fee; Search – Jeff Kopaska; Technology – Rex De Bruin; Outreach and Enfolding – Mark Voss; Worship – Laura Hufford