

WORSHIP SERVICE

July 26, 2026

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

Prelude

Welcome

* God's Greeting

* We Greet One Another

* Call to Worship: Psalm 51:15

Oh Lord, open our lips,

and our mouths will declare your praise!

* Opening Song: "Come People of the Risen King"

Come, People of this risen King, who delight to bring him praise

Come all, and tune your hearts to sing to the Morning Star of grace

From the shifting shadows of the earth we will lift our eyes to him

Where steady arms of mercy reach to gather children in

Rejoice, rejoice, let every tongue rejoice

One heart, one voice O church of Christ rejoice

Come, those whose joy is morning sun, and those weeping through the night

Come, those who tell of battles won, and those struggling in the fight

For his perfect love will never change, and his mercies never cease

But follow us through all our days with the certain hope of peace.

Rejoice, rejoice, let every tongue rejoice

One heart, one voice O church of Christ rejoice

Come, young and old from every land, men and women of the faith

Come, those with full or empty hands, find the riches of his grace

Over all the world his people sing, shore to shore we hear them call

The truth that cries through every age, Our God is all in all.

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One heart, one voice O church of Christ rejoice

* Opening Prayer

* Song: "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.

WE ARE RECONCILED TO GOD

Call to Confession: from *Heidelberg Catechism* Q&A 112

**God's will is that I twist no one's words, not gossip or slander,
nor join in condemning anyone rashly or without a hearing.
I should avoid lying and deceit of every kind—
these are the very devices the devil uses,
and they would call down on me God's intense wrath.
I should love the truth, speak it candidly and openly acknowledge it.
And I should do what I can to guard and advance my neighbor's good name.**

Sung Prayer of Confession: "Lord, I Need You"

Lord I come I confess, bowing here I find my rest.
And without you I fall apart. You're the one that guides my heart.
Lord I need you oh I need you. Ev'ry hour I need you.
My one defense my righteousness. Oh God how I need you.
Where sin runs deep your grace is more. Where grace is found is where you are.
And where you are Lord I am free. Holiness is Christ in me.
Lord I need you oh I need you. Ev'ry hour I need you.
My one defense my righteousness. Oh God how I need you.

So teach my song to rise to you. When temptation comes my way.
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on you. Jesus you're my hope and stay. And
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Lord I need you oh I need you. Ev'ry hour I need you.
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Assurance of Pardon and Charge to Holy Speech: from Ephesians 4

People of God, for those who trust in Him alone:

Jesus Christ is our righteousness.

When our hearts and our mouths condemn us:

Jesus Christ is greater than our hearts. He is our one defense.

Receive the good news:

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Because this is true, we live consecrated to Him.

*"Therefore each of you must put off falsehood and speak truthfully to your
neighbor",*

for we are all members of one body.

Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths,

**but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that
it may benefit those who listen.**

Be kind and compassionate to one another,

forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you."

Song of Entrusting: "Take My Life and Let It Be" vs 1,3,5 LUYH #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 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.

Children's Message

Congregational Prayer

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading: James 3

(p. 1119 in pew Bible)

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.

¹³ Who is wise and understanding among you? Let them show it by their good life, by deeds done in the humility that comes from wisdom. ¹⁴ But if you harbor bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not boast about it or deny the truth. ¹⁵ Such "wisdom" does not come down from heaven but is earthly, unspiritual, demonic. ¹⁶ For where you have envy and selfish ambition, there you find disorder and every evil practice.

¹⁷ But the wisdom that comes from heaven is first of all pure; then peace-loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy and good fruit, impartial and sincere. ¹⁸ Peacemakers who sow in peace reap a harvest of righteousness.

Message: Speak Life!

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Application

* Song of Response: "Fill Thou My Life, O Lord, My God" *LUYH #356*

Fill thou my life, O Lord my God, In every part with praise,
That my whole being may proclaim Thy being and thy ways
Not for the lip of praise alone, Nor e'en the praising heart
I ask, but for a life made up of praise in every part.

Praise in the common words I speak, life's common looks and tones,
in fellowship enjoyed at home with my beloved ones,
enduring wrong, reproach or loss with sweet and steadfast will,
forgiving freely those who hate, returning good for ill.

So shall each fear, each fret, each care Be turned into a song,
And every winding of the way The echo shall prolong.
So shall no part of day or night From sacredness be free,
But all my life, in every step, Be fellowship with Thee

WE DEPART TO SERVE

* Blessing

* Closing Song: "Oh, For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" vs 1,2,7,8 *LUYH #590*

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

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

Hear him, you deaf; you voiceless ones, Your loosened tongues employ;
You blind, behold your Savior come, And leap, you lame, for joy!

To God all glory, praise, and love Be now and ever given
By saints below and saints above, The church in earth and heaven.

Postlude

* Please stand

Children's Message: Rev. Lora Copley

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Musicians: Chloe Berns-Schweingruber, Alisabeth Copley, Elijah Hufford, Laura Hufford

Small Groups, Committees, & Sunday School Updates

Sunday School Classes are on break for the summer and will resume in the fall.

Children and Worship is on break for the summer and will resume in the fall.

Roots Youth Group is on break for the summer and will resume in the fall.

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. Contact Mary Kuyper for details.

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

Women's Bible Study is on break for the summer and will resume in the fall.

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

Hymn Sing is on break for the summer and will resume in the fall.

Regular Council Meeting: August 12 at 6:30 pm.

TCRC ANNOUNCEMENTS

This week, Rev. Lora Copley invites us into James 3, where James explores the power of our words and the life-giving wisdom of God.

Communion: We look forward to celebrating the Lord's Supper on August 2. All who are trusting in Christ and have made a public stand for him are encouraged to join.

The special offering on August 2 will be for World Renew, which partners with communities around the world to respond to disasters, reduce poverty, and create lasting change through Christ-centered compassion. Your prayers, involvement, and contributions make this work possible!

On August 23, there will be a special offering taken for The Banner. As a print and online publication of the Christian Reformed Church, The Banner provides denominational news, biblical reflection, and stories of God's work in the church and the world. TCRC member Rev. Lora Copley serves as its editor-in-chief.

Education Committee: Sunday School Teachers Needed. The Sunday School program is seeking caring volunteers to help with upcoming semesters. We're looking for teachers and assistant teachers for: Middle Schoolers (ages 12-14), High Schoolers (ages 15-18), and Adult groups

Curriculum, training, and support can be provided. Do you have a willingness to share God's Word with our youth and adults? If you feel called to serve in this ministry, please speak with

Christopher 't Hoen after the service or contact the church office at office@amestrinity.org. Many hands make light work, prayerfully consider how you might help shape the next generation of believers.

We rejoice with Pastor SJ (Seongjun) Kim as Church Beyond Borders has led to a church plant at Crossroads Fellowship CRC in West Des Moines, where in-person worship services will be held monthly. The first service will be Sunday, August 16 at 2:00 pm. We pray that this church will continue to grow under Pastor SJ's leadership.

The TCRC Council has approved the transfer of membership for SJ and Young Kim from Trinity CRC to Crossroads Fellowship CRC of West Des Moines.

Disaster relief funds are available through the state for those who were affected by the recent flooding. Find details, guidelines, and the application at: <https://homelandsecurity.iowa.gov/disasters/individual-disaster-assistance-programs> or see the flyer attached to this email. The application deadline for Story County and Polk County is August 20.

Midwest BASIC Bible Camp 2026: August 2-6 at Pine Lake Camps in Eldora, IA. This fun and engaging youth camp is for those who have completed grades 6 through 12. Last chance to [grab your spot here](#)! Questions? Talk to Rob Barnes or Pam Whitney (or email the church office).

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.

Let's stay connected! Would you like to be included in our (printed) church directory or receive church emails? We'd love to help you stay connected with what's happening at Trinity and make it easier for others to connect with you, too. Sharing your contact information is optional, but being included in the directory and email list is a great way to stay informed about church news, events, and the occasional reminder. If you'd like to be added—or need to update your information—please contact the church office (office@amestrinity.org).

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

Please submit announcements to the church office by 10:30 am on Thursdays 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: Prayer: Meeting God in the Quiet - Check out this week's kids' devotion, "Prayer: Meeting God in the Quiet" at www.kidscorner.net. Contemplative prayer is like a quiet summer evening. Psalm 46:10 says, "Be still, and know that I am God!" Try sitting

quietly with God and just gently be still in his presence. Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net, like Family Practices for Family Collection.

Groundwork: What is Heaven? - What is heaven? Where is it? What does it look like? Join Groundwork as we study Ephesians 1:3-10; 1 Peter 1:3-4; Revelation 21:2-5; Isaiah 11:6-9; Isaiah 25:6-8, 22-27; Isaiah 65:17-22; Colossians 1:15-20 to understand what the Bible does and does not teach us about what heaven is and what it looks like. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

Thrive

Thrive Faith Formation Tip - Summer is often a time when extended families gather for a reunion, giving the opportunity to connect with relatives we don't see regularly. Think about a member of your church family whom you haven't seen in a while, spend time praying for them this week, and reach out with a card, phone call, or text to let them know you're thinking of them and praying for them. Brought to you by Thrive: crcna.org/Thrive

Other

We're hiring! IT Salesforce Administrator - Apply at crcna.pinpointhq.com

VOLUNTEERS

Sound: Rob Barnes
Greeter: Bergman
Nursery: Megan and Kristy
Children's Message: Lora Copley
Congregational Prayer: Joel Copley

Sound Tech

Jul 26 Rob Barnes	Aug 16 Bryan Van Belle
Aug 2 Brian Sterenberg	Aug 23 Rex De Bruin
Aug 9 Tom Whitney	Aug 30 Rob Barnes

Greeters

Jul 26 Bergman	Aug 30 Hubert
Aug 2 De Bruin	Sep 6 Hufford
Aug 9 Franje	Sep 13 Friend
Aug 16 Copley	Sep 20 Irvin
Aug 23 Hobson	Sep 27 Nancy Klemme

Nursery

Jul 26 Megan and Kristy	Aug 23 Rachel and Sue
Aug 2 Judy and Cassie	Aug 30 Melody and Elizabeth
Aug 9 Mary and Pam	Sep 6 Jessica and Brianna
Aug 16 Lyndee and Kenzie	Sep 13 Donna and Natalie

Sep 20 Sue and Kathlyn

Sep 27 Mindy and Alisabeth

Children's Message

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Aug 2 Laura Hufford

Aug 9 Rob Barnes

Aug 16 Laura Hufford

Aug 23 Lora Copley

Aug 30 Christopher 't Hoen

Sep 6 Rex De Bruin

Sep 13 Derek Ten Pas

Sep 20 Rob Barnes

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Aug 23 Tom Niehof

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L-S = Mark Voss; T-Z = Laura Hufford

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