



Worship Service for  
Second Sunday After Pentecost  
June 2, 2024

*Welcome visitors, we are glad you are here! Please fill out a Welcome Card (in the pew rack) and place it in the offering basket. Also join us for coffee after church so we can meet you!*

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## **We Worship God Because He Is Worthy**

**Prelude** "Jesus Lover of My Soul"  
"I Come With Joy"

arr. H.A. Matthews  
arr. W. Held

**Introit** "Blest Be The Tie That Binds"

### **Call to Worship**

Behold, how good and pleasant it is when brothers and sisters dwell in unity!  
It is like the precious oil on the head, running down on the beard,  
on the beard of Aaron, running down on the collar of his robes!  
It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion!  
For there the Lord has commanded the blessing, life forevermore.

**Praise the Lord, for the Lord is good; sing to his name, for it is pleasant!**

(from Psalm 133)

**\*Hymn of Praise** "Church of God, Elect and Glorious"

LUYH 252 vs 1,3,4

### **Opening Prayer**

We bring before you, O Lord, the troubles and perils of people and nations,  
the sighing of prisoners and captives, the sorrows of the bereaved,  
the necessities of strangers, the helplessness of the weak,  
the despondency of the weary, the failing powers of the aged.

**O Lord, draw near to each; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**Song of Worship** "Revelation Song"

Jobe

## Call to Confession

This is the way you learned Christ- to put off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires, and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, and to put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness. Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another.

**Let us confess our sins to one another and to God.**

(from Ephesians 4:20–25)

## Prayer of Confession

Lord, we confess our day to day failure to be truly human.

**Lord, we confess to you.**

Lord, we confess that we often fail to love with all we have and are, often because we do not fully understand what loving means, often because we are afraid of risking ourselves.

**Lord, we confess to you.**

Lord, we cut ourselves off from each other and we erect barriers of division.

**Lord, we confess to you.**

Lord, we confess that by silence and ill-considered word  
**we have built up walls of prejudice.**

Lord, we confess that by selfishness and lack of sympathy  
**we have stifled generosity and left little time for others.**

**Holy Spirit, speak to us. Help us listen to your word of forgiveness,  
for we are very deaf. Come, fill this moment and free us from sin.**

## Words of Assurance

And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God,  
by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.  
Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander  
be put away from you, along with all malice.  
Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another,  
as God in Christ forgave you.

**Thanks be to God.**

(from Ephesians 4:30-32)

**\*Hymn of Assurance** “Dear Lord and Father of Mankind”

Whittier/Parry vs 1,3,4,5

## **We Practice Hospitality Because God Has Welcomed Us Into His Family**

**Welcome**

**Greeting**

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father  
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

**\*Mutual Greeting**

## **We Hear and Respond to God’s Word because He is Speaking**

**Blessing for Children**

Almighty Father, your Son prayed that his disciples might be one,  
even as you and he are one. Grant that our children, adopted into your family,  
may be bound together in love and obedience to you, may be united in  
one body by the one Spirit, that the world may believe in him whom  
You have sent, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

**Hymn of Preparation** “As the Deer Pants for Water”

LUYH 322

(Children 5 through 2nd grade are invited to follow the banner to Walk Out Worship during this hymn.  
Parents will find the classroom on the lower level, near the nurseries.)

**Scripture Reading:** Acts 20:17-21:8

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This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God**

**Sermon** “We Cultivate Spiritual Friendships because God in Christ has Reconciled Us”

## **We Respond to His Word in Faith**

**\*Hymn of Response** "Christian Hearts in Love United"

LUYH 727

**The Prayers of the People**

**The Offering** *Chrisitan Schools International*

**Offertory** "Because of Thy Great Bounty"

L. Hoffmeister

## **We Celebrate the Feast of the Redemption of the World**

Among friends, gathered round a table Jesus took bread, and,  
having blessed it, He broke the bread and gave it to his disciples saying,  
Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you.  
In the same way after supper, he took the cup of wine and gave you thanks.  
He gave it to them saying, drink this, all of you.  
This is my blood of the new covenant,  
which is shed for you and for many, for the forgiveness of sins.  
Do this as often as you drink it in remembrance of me.

**The Agnus Dei**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,  
have mercy on us.**

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have mercy on us.**

Draw near with faith. Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ  
which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you.  
Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you,  
and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

**Lord Jesus Christ, present with us now,  
as we do in this place what you did in an upstairs room,  
breathe your Spirit upon us and upon this bread and this wine,  
that they may be heaven's food for us.**

**Renewing, sustaining and making us whole,  
that we may be your body on earth, loving and caring in the world.**

Look, the bread of heaven is broken for the life of the world.  
Here is Christ, coming to us in bread and wine.  
**The gifts of God for the people of God.**

### **Communion Hymns:**

"They'll Know We Are Christians"  
"Gift of Finest Wheat"  
"In Our Lives, Lord, Be Glorified"

LUYH 256  
LUYH 815 vs 1,3, 5  
LUYH 861

### **Prayer after Communion**

Let us pray.  
Almighty and eternal God, you have revealed yourself  
as Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and live and reign in  
the perfect unity of love: hold us firm in this faith,  
that we may know you in all your ways and evermore  
rejoice in your eternal glory, who are three Persons yet one God,  
now and for ever. **Amen.**

**Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us  
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.  
through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice.  
Send us out in the power of your Spirit  
to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.**

### **We Share the Gospel because Jesus is Good News**

**\*Closing Hymn** "To God be the Glory"

LUYH 604 vs 1,3

**\*Benediction**

**Postlude** "How Firm a Foundation"

arr. W. Held

## Credits & Liturgical Notes

**Preaching:** Rev. Tim Blackmon

**Organ:** Jean Schuitman

**Piano:** Jennifer Fortosis

**Prayer of People:** Jennifer Fortosis

**Soloist:** Henk Ottens

**Vocalists:** Julie Hordyk

We display all music and readings on the screen. LUYH (red hymnal) located in the pew rack; Large print bulletins are available in the narthex OneLicense.net #A-721176, CCLI#7750

## Prayer Requests, Praises & Gratitude

*Corky North* is at Robbinswood Assisted Living. He is improving but needs to regain strength. Please continue to pray for him and Mary.

*Jan Zuidema* is recovering from total knee replacement surgery. Please pray for a minimum of discomfort, and a full recovery.

*David & Susan Hoekema, the Bosma and DeBruyn* families are grateful for the loving support extended to Susan's mother *Bette DeBruyn Bosma* through her 96 years, especially in her 18 months in assisted living. Her spirits were lifted by frequent visits from elders and friends, cards at holidays and birthdays, and patient and attentive help in recent months as her mobility and abilities declined. The family also appreciates the generous contributions made in Bette's memory to the Friendship Club at Second and to Potter's House Christian School.

## Announcements:

**This Sunday's Offering:** *Christian Schools International's* mission is to support schools in their task of teaching students to know God and his world, and to glorify him through service to others.

**Atrium Art Gallery:** *Wonder*, the new exhibit in our Atrium Art Gallery is a particularly exciting one since it is exclusively the work of Bob de Jonge. According to Bob, the works mirror our outside world of water, trees, and sky, to encourage wonder, hold up hope, and express gratitude. We are blessed now with the beauty around us, but also offered glimpses of the vision of a new heaven and earth.

**Full Council** – Council has finalized the budget for church year 2024-25. Copies been distributed to your mailbox and extras are in the office. There will be a town hall meeting today, Sunday June 2 at 11:30 am in the North Hall to answer your questions.

**Children's Ministry Families:** On Saturday June 15 at 3:30pm, we will get-together for a time of hospitality and friendship at Pottawatomie Park. Address is 15600 Comstock St., Grand Haven. We'll meet near the playground at the river. Upcoming Date: Saturday July 13.

**Children's Ministry:** This summer, our children get to learn how they can "Go for the gold!" We will learn about how the Bible instructs us to train and compete to win the prize. This week we will focus on being torchbearers as we think about carrying the light of Christ wherever we go and passing it along to others until it reaches the 'eternal flame'. "When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life." ~ John 8:12

**Cuba Mission Support:** We're doing an Envelope Drive to raise funds for our trip. Simply pick up an envelope from the Welcome Desk, and contribute the amount shown. On Sunday morning, drop your filled envelope into the offering plate. Your generosity will help support our efforts to provide for our brothers and sisters in Cuba who are facing severe economic challenges. Many are struggling due to a cash shortage and complicated monetary system with multiple currencies, fluctuating exchange rates, and high inflation makes it difficult to afford necessities.

**Kitchen Items:** A heartfelt thank you to all who have cooked or baked for church activities. Please check the kitchen counter for pans/plates/containers. Items not claimed by today, June 2 will be donated.

**Men's Softball:** Our next game is this Monday June 3 at 6:15pm at the softball field at Coast Guard Park. Questions, please contact Rob Wagenmaker at 616-638-0976 or [rwagenmaker@hotmail.com](mailto:rwagenmaker@hotmail.com)

**SWAN'S:** It's picnic time! On Wednesday, June 12, at 11:30am we will have a salad picnic potluck at the gazebo in Wildwood Springs, located across the street from Lone's home (18264 Lost Creek Lane, Spring Lake). Please bring a salad to share. Plates, napkins, etc. and drinks will be provided. Call Carole Ruitter with any questions.

**VBS 2024:** We hope to "sea" all our kids ages 4 years to 5th grade for SCUBA, on July 8 to 11, from 9:45 am to 11:45 am. Registration is now open on our website at [www.secondcrcgrandhaven.org/vbsregistration](http://www.secondcrcgrandhaven.org/vbsregistration). Children will be diving in to uncover the truth that God is a faithful friend who loves them endlessly. Also, we're seeking volunteers, please sign up at the Welcome desk. Contact Rob Wagenmaker with questions at 616.638.0976 .

## Volunteer Schedule

### June 2, 2024

**Projection:** Renee Mulder

**Video:** Chuck DeWitt, Ben McCarthy, Jay Brace, Ethan Hodge

**Sound:** Todd Cunningham

**Ushers:** Jim Mulder (Team 11) Chris Van Stratt, Pierce Van Stratt, Carl Vertregt

**Coffee Hosts:** Jamie & Amy Goorman/ Dick & Shirley Good

**Nursery:** Kerri Bierma, Victoria McCarthy

**Little Lambs:** Sheila Warners, Vivienne McCarthy

**Walk Out Worship:** Cindy Brace, Maelyn Wagenmaker

**Greeters:** Deborah Erickson, Luke & Amy Anderson

**Offering:** Christian Schools International

### June 9, 2024

**Projection:** Dan Braak

**Video:** Mark Boelens, Jason Zuidema, Dirk Weesies, Harley Dyk

**Sound:** Mike Katje

**Ushers:** Steve Marotti (Team 1), Todd Cunningham, David Brace, Eric Wolffis

**Coffee Hosts:** David & Sandra Klaassen/ Jason & Anne Zuidema

**Nursery:** Cathy Brolick, Carisa Marotti

**Little Lambs:** Betsy Blackmon, Sydney Marotti

**Walk Out Worship:** Sheri VanDuyn, Gabe Schaaf

**Greeters:** Amy Goorman, Lou & Joan Baker

**Offering:** Resonate Global

## Calendar

### **Sunday, June 2**

10:00 AM– Sunday Service

11:30 AM–Budget Town Hall

### **Monday, June 3**

9 AM-1 PM–Office Hours

6:15 PM – Softball at Coast Guard Park

### **Tuesday, June 4**

9 AM-1 PM–Office Hours

7 PM–Leadership Board

### **Wednesday, June 5**

9 AM-12 PM–Office Hours

1:00 PM–Knitting Club

7:00 PM–Facilities Team

### **Thursday, June 6**

9 AM-1 PM–Office Hours

### **Friday, June 7**

### **Saturday, June 8**

### **Sunday, June 9**

10 AM–Sunday Service

Thank you to all the servant leaders who are FILO (First In Last Out).

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## **Connect with Second CRC**

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