

Worship Service for **Eighth Sunday After Pentecost** July 21, 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!

We Worship God Because He Is Worthy

Prelude "Arioso"	J.S. Bach
Introit "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring"	J.S. Bach
*Call to Worship	
Hear God call you to worship through his word: O give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name; make known his deeds among the peoples!	
Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wondrous works! Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice! Seek the Lord and his strength; seek his presence continually!	(Psalm 105:1-4)
*Opening Hymn "Praise the Lord, Sing Hallelujah"	LUYH 6
*Opening Prayer	

Almighty God, O you high and holy One that inhabits eternity,

you are to be feared and loved by all your servants.

All your works praise you, O God; and we especially give thanks unto you for your marvelous love in Christ Jesus, by whom you have reconciled the world to yourself. You have given us exceeding great and precious promises. You have sealed them with his blood. You have confirmed them by his resurrection and ascension, and the coming of the Holy Spirit. We thank you that you have given us so many happy opportunities to know the truth as it is in Jesus and revealed in your Word. Amen.

Call to Confession

If anyone sins, we have someone who pleads with the Father on our behalf—Jesus Christ, the righteous one. And Christ himself is the means by which our sins are forgiven, and not our sins only, but also the sins of the whole world.

(1 John 2:1,2)

Let us confess our sins before God and one another.

Prayer of Confession

Heavenly Father, we long to follow You, to walk in the way that You have shown us; to know Your commandments, and to practice them whole-heartedly.

But we confess that we are easily distracted, lured away by our own interests and desires, enticed by the attitudes and practices of the world around us. Forgive us.

Turn our eyes away from the things that distract us from Your way— from the attitudes and behaviors that sidetrack us from our desire to know You better and follow You more closely.

Give us a hunger for Your Word and Your ways. Show us where true life and happiness are found in knowing and doing Your will. Amen. (based on Psalm 119: 33-40)

Words of Assurance

The Lord turns to you and is gracious to you. The Lord will keep your steps steady, according to his promises. The Lord will let his face shine on you and teach you his statutes. In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. You are forgiven. **Amen.**

(based on Psalm 119:132-135)

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

We pray together with our children:

Oh, how I love your instructions! I think about them all day long. Your commands make me wiser than my enemies, for they are my constant guide. Yes, I have more insight than my teachers, for I am always thinking of your laws. I am even wiser than my elders, for I have kept your commandments. I have refused to walk on any evil path, so that I may remain obedient to your word. I haven't turned away from your regulations, for you have taught me well. How sweet your words taste to me; they are sweeter than honey. Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path. Amen.

(from Psalm 119:97-105)

Hymn of Preparation "Speak, O Lord"

(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: 2 Timothy 3:10-17

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

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Prayer for Illumination

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Sermon "We Hear and Respond to God's Word because He is Speaking"

*Hymn of Response "O Word of God Incarnate"

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We Spend Time with God in Prayer because he is Listening

The Prayers of the People

We Give Generously because God Gives Good Gifts

Ministry Moment - Havlicek

The Offering Faith Promise ~ Hamiliton's H2O Church/ Campus Ministry at WMU

Offertory "Be Thou My Vision"

arr. Carlton Young

Offertory Response

Yours, O Lord, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty, for all that is in the heavens and in the earth is yours. Yours is the kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as head above all. Both riches and honor come from you, and you rule over all.

In your hand are power and might, and in your hand it is to make great and to give strength to all. And now we thank you, our God, and praise your glorious name. "But who am I, and what is my people, that we should be able thus to offer willingly? For all things come from you, and of your own have we given you. For we are strangers before you and sojourners, as all our fathers were. Our days on the earth are like a shadow, and there is no abiding. **We give you thanks and praise.**

We Share the Gospel because Jesus is Good News

*Closing Hymn "Soon and Very Soon"

*Benediction

Postlude "He Is King of Kings"

Credits & Liturgical Notes

Preaching: Rev. Tim Blackmon Flute: Jennifer Fortosis Organ: Jean Schuitman Piano: Jennifer Fortosis, Tim Blackmon Liturgist & Prayer of the People: Tony Razzini Vocalists: Katie Markus

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

Ray Kuiper is at Holland Hospital's ICU for an infection. Please pray for him, Shirley and his medical team.

Mary North is at Spectrum Health in GR for testing. Please pray for her and Corky.

Rob Wagenmaker, David Brace, Joe Gasser, Jack Mulder, Bri Zuidema, Corinne Van Stratt, Chase Gasser, Jonathan Blackmon, Noelle Wood and Alyvia Deiters left for Cuba on Friday. Please pray that they will be safe as they bear witness to God's love for the Cuban people.

Announcements:

This Sunday's Offering: *Faith Promise ~ Dan & Kristin Hamiliton* with H2O Church and campus ministry at WMU. Their mission is to help college students become lifelong disciples of Jesus.

RedCross Blood Drive: We are hosting a blood drive on Monday July 22. To donate, sign up at <u>www.redcrossblood.org</u> and enter the Sponsor Code: SCRC.

Welcome Desk: Volunteers are needed to staff the Welcome Desk. Duties are to arrive 20 mins prior to service, greet visitors, provide general information/directions within church, advise that there is a fellowship time with coffee, answer questions on upcoming activities. Please sign up at the desk if you're available and willing to help.

arr. C. Callahan

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Book Club: We have chosen the book, "Madame Bovary" by Gustave Flaubert, note the corrected title. Our first meeting will be on Monday September 16, 1:30 pm in our Church Parlor. Remember the discussion is open to anyone interested. Questions, call lone at 616-502-8477.

Bridal Shower: Jordan Diephouse and Jenna Timmer plan to marry in September! Let's celebrate them with a dessert shower on Thursday, August 8 at 7pm. They are registered with Amazon. Remember, all gifts are given anonymously! *Please sign up by August 4* at the Welcome Desk!

Calvin January in July: A summer series of pre-recorded interviews will be released at noon on the following dates. They will be available on Calvin's website thru summer, and then found on Calvin's YouTube Channel.

• July 24 - *The Intersection of Academics and Athletics with Chad Tatko and Trent Figg.* Tatko, a chemistry professor and Figg, the new football coach, discuss the intersection of sport, academics, and faith.

Faith Promise Updates:

New City Kids: Bike Tour will be held on Saturday, Aug. 10, 2024. The tour will begin at the New City Kids location on Alpine in GR and will end here at Second. Funds raised will be used to develop our Michigan youth into future community leaders. For more info go to <u>www.newcitykids.org</u> or contact Mary Erickson at 616-638-6367 or <u>marylerickson@sbcglobal.net</u>.

We will have missionaries with us this Sunday July 21st and next Sunday July 28th. They will have information tables in the Atrium afterwards.

Men's Softball: Our last regular game is Monday July 22 at 7:15pm at Mercury Park.

Quilt Show: We are hosting the *Lighthouse Quilt Guild Show* next Friday and Saturday. Come see the beautiful tapestries created by the women of our community.

Walk Out Worship: Today our children will be learning about some of the outstanding characters of faith in the Old Testament. While Olympians are hopeful to earn the gold medal for their event, we have examples of those who put their complete faith and trust in God, doing what he asked. Not only do we have hope, we have the promise of eternal life! "Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see." Hebrews 11:1

Volunteer Schedule

July 21, 2024

Projection: Renee Mulder Video: Harley Dyk, Ben McCarthy, Mark Boelens, Dirk Weesies Sound: Jim Warners Ushers: Dale Schuitema (Team 7) Kraig &Cathy Brolick Garry VandenBerg Coffee Hosts: Carole Dirkse/ Jane DeGroot / Rick & Darcie Clapp Nursery: Ruth Marotti, Carisa Marotti Little Lambs: Amy Wolffis, Kyla Zuidema Walk Out Worship: Cindy Brace, Jenn Steigenga Greeters: David Vander Heide, Hank & Carla Byma Offering: Faith Promise- Hamilton's at H2O/WMU Campus Ministry

July 28, 2024

Projection: Harley Dyk Video: Chuck DeWitt, Jim Query, Jay Brace, Ethan Hodge Sound: Todd Cunningham Ushers: Roger Hordyk (Team 8), Dan Holtrop, John Buitenhuis, Paul Marotti Coffee Hosts: Doug & Jan Zuidema/ Brian & Barb Sikkenga Nursery: Marilyn Bolt, Mary Terpstra Little Lambs: Manette DeYoung, Sydney Marotti Walk Out Worship: Marie Rycenga, Vivian McCarthy Greeters: Jim Warners, Craig & Cathy Brolick Offering: Positive Options

Calendar

Sunday, July 21 10:00 AM– Sunday Service

Monday, July 22 9 AM-1 PM–Office Hours 7:15 PM – Softball at Mercury Park

Tuesday, July 23 9 AM-1 PM–Office Hours

Wednesday, July 24 9 AM-1 PM–Office Hours 1:00 PM–Knitting Club

Thursday, July 25 9 AM-1 PM–Office Hours

Friday, July 26 9 AM-7 PM – Lighthouse Quilt Guild Show

Saturday, July 27 9 AM-5 PM – Lighthouse Quilt Guild Show

Sunday, July 28 10:00 AM–Sunday Service 11:30 AM- Missionary Presentation

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

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