

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

June 29, 2008

10:00 a.m.

*Let the first note of the prelude be a call for
personal meditation in preparation for worship.*

THE APPROACH TO GOD

PRELUDE

Jesus Loves Me

arr. by Fred Bock

INTROIT

Craig Courtney

*The Lord is my light and my salvation;
Whom shall I fear? of whom shall I be afraid?
When evildoers assail me, when adversaries attack me,
They stumble and fall.
Though an army besiege me, though war break out against me,
My heart will not fear.*

One thing I ask, one thing I seek of the Lord:
That I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life,
To gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to seek Him in his temple.
For in the day of trouble He will hide me in His dwelling,
And He will set me high upon a rock.
Then shall my head be exalted above my enemies round about me;
I will sacrifice with shouts of joy;
I will sing and make melody to the Lord.
—Psalm 27:1-6

CALL TO WORSHIP (*responsively*)

“Our help is in the name of the Lord,
who made heaven and earth.”

What did God do to help us?

God chose the people of Israel to make a new beginning.
**They received God’s covenant and prepared the way
for Jesus to come as our Savior.**

Let us worship the God of the covenant,
the God of heaven and earth.

—based on Psalm 124:8

SALUTATION

+*HYMN OF PRAISE *Hymns, Psalms, & Spiritual Songs* 353

Great God, Your Love Has Called Us Here

Tune: DAS NEUGEBORNE KINDELEIN

*PRAYER (*in unison*)

**Holy and loving God, we have come here to be met by you. In the silence, in the speaking,
in the singing, and praying come to us with your cleansing love. Speak to us with words of
guidance and comfort. Tell us more than what we want to hear; tell us what we need to
hear. Keep us attentive to you in this time together so that we may be shaped by the gift of
your presence. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**
(*congregation may exchange the Peace*)

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*in unison*)

**Gracious God,
you have given us the law of Moses and the teachings of Jesus**

**to direct us in the way of life.
You offer us your Holy Spirit
so that we can be born to new life as your children.
Yet, O God, we confess that the ways of death
have a strong attraction
and that we often succumb to their lure.
Give us the vision and courage to choose and nurture life,
that we may receive your blessing. Amen.**

KYRIE *Sing! A New Creation 53*
**Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison.
Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison.**

WORDS OF ASSURANCE Romans 6:12-14

RESPONSE *Sing! A New Creation 55*
Alleluia! Alleluia! In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

CALL TO NEW OBEDIENCE Romans 6:22-23

CHILDREN'S DISMISSAL TO WORSHIP CENTERS

THE WORD OF GOD
PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Genesis 22:1-14 p. 17
This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 10:40-42 p. 11
This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

*HYMN OF PREPARATION *Hymns, Psalms, & Spiritual Songs 488*
The God of Abraham Praise Tune: LEONI

SERMON "The Seriousness of Faith"

PRAYER FOR BLESSING ON THE WORD

SILENT PRAYER AND REFLECTION

THE RESPONSE TO GOD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: *Sing! A New Creation 176 (responsively)*

OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINISTRY AND SHARING THE GIFT OF FELLOWSHIP

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY He Leadeth Me arr. by William Stickles

SOLO Craig Courtney
When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion,
We were like those who dream.

*Then our mouth was filled with laughter
And our tongue with shouts of joy;
Then they said among the nations,
"The Lord has done great things for them."
We are glad, we are glad for the Lord has done great things for us.*

Those who sow in tears shall reap with songs of joy;
They that go forth weeping, bearing seed shall come home
With shouts of joy bringing their sheaves with them.
—based on Psalm 126

*DOXOLOGY *Hymns, Psalms, & Spiritual Songs* 592
Tune: OLD HUNDREDTH

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(in unison)*

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom,
And the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

*HYMN OF DEDICATION *Hymns, Psalms, & Spiritual Songs* 426

Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak Tune: CANONBURY
*BENEDICTION Philippians 4:7

POSTLUDE Go Forth With Joy

Colin Hand

+Latecomers will be seated.

*Those who are able may stand.

Worship Leaders: Rev. Kent Fry, preaching; Rev. Kama Jongerius, liturgist; Leslie Baker, prayer for illumination; Audrey Rink, soloist; Linda Strouf, Minister of Music.

TODAY

We welcome all who worship with us and ask visitors and members to sign the Friendship Folders so that we may get to know one another.

Please join us in the Gathering Place for refreshments and fellowship after the worship service.

The flowers at the chancel today are given in memory of Margaret and Henry Steffens by their daughter, Gretchen Steffens Robert.

Our guest soloist, Audrey Rink, is the granddaughter of Tom and Muriel Vander Kuy. Audrey studies voice with Linda Dykstra.

FOR THOSE WHO DESIRE PRAYER for yourself and others, Dee Bechtel and Reno Lamanian will be available to pray with you following today's worship service. Please make your way to the Place of Prayer following the service (located in the south hallway on the main level).

ASSISTING TODAY: Greeters – Bill and Barb Tenpas, Bruce and Jane Reynolds, Mark, Becky, Olivia, Elliot, and Ethan Husbands; Ushers – Dean and Kathy Miedema; Deacons – Jeff Beird, Steve Bulthuis, Jon Rietberg, Rick Frens; Refreshment Servers – Jim and Nyla Hensley.

CHILD CARE is available in the nurseries during the worship service. Attendants: Susie Vander Kolk, Andy Zoerman, Jeff and Vicki Voskuil, Cindy Hiskes.

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP: Children 4 years through 2nd grade will be ushered from the sanctuary during the worship service to continue worship in the Worship Centers on the lower level.

Beginning next Sunday, July 6 and continuing through August 31 all worship center aged children (4 years-2nd grade) will go downstairs to room 7 (Sunday School area) during our 10:00 a.m. worship service. We will enjoy a different format called "Kid's Own Worship" where we will explore Old Testament stories with song, storytelling, activities, and food.

THIS WEEK

SUNDAY

11:15 a.m. Parish 23 and 24 Lunch at Bolts
(191 W. 12th St.)

MONDAY

11:00 a.m. Memorial Service for Jo Rediger
7:00 p.m. Parish 1 and 2 Ice Cream Social

TUESDAY

9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
6:30 p.m. Women's Softball Game at South Olive

WEDNESDAY

6:15 a.m. Men's Bible Study
8:00 a.m. Wednesday Morning Prayers

FRIDAY

Church Office Closed

PERSONAL

Share your prayer concerns by using the prayer request cards found in the Friendship Folders. Place the requests in the offering plate or prayer box at the back of the sanctuary. Please remember in prayer those in the hospital and in care facilities.

CONGRATULATIONS to Dorothy Sheets whose 93rd birthday is Thursday.

CONGRATULATIONS to Ray and Marilyn Helder whose 64th wedding anniversary is Monday.

CONGRATULATIONS to Jennifer Walvoord and Andrew Le who were married yesterday at Third Reformed church.

There will be a service held in memory of Jo Rediger tomorrow June 30 at 11:00 a.m. in the sanctuary.

PRAYER SPOTLIGHT: Holland Hospital – Roger Prins, Gwen Van Eck. Spectrum Meijer Heart Center – Mark Ver Hulst; Spectrum Blodgett Hospital – MaryAlice Ritsema. Hospice House – Lois Van Oosterhout. Resthaven Care Center – Louise Brackett, Arnolda Otting, Joe Otting, Helen Van Zanden, Ada Ver Hulst; Maple Woods – Vesta Speet; Oak Crest Manors – Alma Kuiper. In the Military – Mark South, Christine Loman, David Mummert, Tom Piaget.

CAMPER'S CORNER
Camp Geneva

June 30-July 3

Michael Hoffman

GENERAL ITEMS

THE TRC GREEN TEAM is promoting July as "Go Green to Third" month. If you walk, bike, bus or carpool to church on a Sunday in July, please pick up a green ribbon by the display board. Wearing it might give you an opportunity to start a conversation with someone about Third Reformed Church or energy use.

Thank you! Thank you! 91 bags of food were collected as part of our June "Third Sunday for Hunger" food drive. The Deacons greatly appreciate your participation.

WALKING IN FAITH AT THIRD: Saturday, July 12 our Hiking Club will walk the trails at Ludington State Park. The hikes are appropriate for all ages. Bring your lunch. Savor creation, celebrate the Creator! We will car pool and leave from the church at 8:00 a.m. and return late afternoon. Want more adventure? Camp out at this beautiful State Park the night before! Information flyers are in the Gathering Place. E-mail Matt Floding at matt.floding@westernsem.edu if you have questions.

There will be a congregational information meeting on Sunday, July 13 at 11:20 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall to learn more about the youth room renovation project.

The Classis of Holland announces the ordination service of Adam Navis which is set for this afternoon at 4:00 p.m., at Central Park Reformed Church (614 Myrtle Ave.) Adam has accepted the invitation of the Words of Hope to serve as a producer of their English language broadcast ministry. Everyone is invited to this celebration for the Navis family and Words of Hope Ministries.

MISSIONARIES WE SUPPORT

Jaime Amaro, Monterrey, Mexico
Martha Amaro, Monterrey, Mexico
Roger De Young, Mission Stewardship and Coordinator
for Mexico and Venezuela
Ruth Estell, China
Linn Gann, India
IRM Community Development, Mozambique
Wayne and Miho Jansen, Japan
Rowland, Jr. and Jane Van Es, Kenya
Nakajima/Ministry with Japanese People

THE CHURCH STAFF

Senior Pastor	Kent Fry
Minister of Congregational Life	Kama Jongerius
Calling Pastor	William Unzicker*
Coordinator of Congregational Care	Delores Bechtel*
Minister of Music	Linda K. Strouf*
Director of Children's Ministries	Marcia Floding*
Youth Director	Nate Schipper
Young Disciples Director	Michelle Millen*
Seminary Interns	Mark Reynoso, David Ryder*
Children's Choir Director	Mary Van Voorst*
Secretaries	Kristen Beckner, Carol Ter Beek*
Custodian	Mark Faga
Kitchen Coordinator	Judy Bosch*
Treasurer/Interim Administrator	Harvey J. Buter*
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A Stephen Ministry Congregation

THE CONSISTORY

PROGRAM ELDERS

Jerry Bakker

Lorna Cook

Deb DuMez

Greg Dykhouse

Mark Hiskes

Kristen Johnson

John Lunn

Cal Rynbrandt

PARISH ELDERS

Kathy Miedema (1)

Eleanor Van Dyke (2)

Peg Van Grouw (3)

Marilyn Norman (4)

Sarah Unzicker (5)

Jane Dykstra (6)

Tom Ter Haar (7)

Marilyn Brown (8)

Betty Balk (9)

Carol Cox (10)

Elly Muiderman (11)

Wayne Westenbroek (12)

Lynne Caskey (13)

Milly Ten Brink (14)

Bill Doezema (15)

Martin Keller (16)

Jeff Maatman (17)

Alan Beagley (18)

Elaine Tanis (19)

Ruby Steketee (20)

Phyllis Brown (21)

Barb Moreau (22)

Lucille Schroeder (23)

Kate Bolt (24)

DEACONS

Jon Bechtel

Jeff Beird

Lynne Bonnette

Steve Bulthuis

Rick Frens

Laura Halsey

Jim Hensley

Andy Mulder

Jay Mosterd

Jon Rietberg

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Jim Vander Meer

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