

**EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

*July 6, 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

A Medley of Hymns  
For the Beauty of the Earth  
Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty  
Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

CALL TO WORSHIP *(in unison)*

**Let us acknowledge the company in which we meet;  
the church on earth and in heaven;  
the faithful who worshipped here before us;  
the hundreds of thousands  
of every place and language  
who, on the Lord's day, seek to set their lives  
within the atmosphere of renewing grace.**

SALUTATION

+\*HYMN OF PRAISE *(see insert)*

This Is My Song

Tune: FINLANDIA

\*PRAYER *(in unison)*

**Almighty God,  
your love for us and for all people is powerful beyond measure.  
Your love is so vast that nothing will prevail against it.  
We know this love is trustworthy because of Jesus Christ:  
his life of compassion, death on the cross,  
and resurrection from the dead.  
In life and death we belong to you,  
holy triune God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. 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)*

**God of birth, God of joy, God of life,  
we come to you as a people hungry for good news.  
We have been so dead to miracles  
that we have missed the world's rebirth.  
We have preoccupied ourselves with pleasures  
and have overlooked the joy you offer us.  
We have been so concerned with making a living  
that we have missed the life you set among us.  
Forgive us, gracious God.  
Open our eyes and our hearts to receive your gift;  
open our lips and hands to share it with all humanity  
in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

KYRIE *Sing! A New Creation 68*

Your Mercy Flows

WORDS OF ASSURANCE Romans 7:24b-25a

CALL TO NEW OBEDIENCE *(responsively)*

The God who saved us in Jesus Christ gave this law saying:  
I am the Lord your God! You shall have no other gods before me.

**We will worship the Lord our God and serve only him.**

You shall not make yourself an image of anything to worship it.

**Living no more in bondage to earthly gods,**

**we will worship the Lord our God in spirit and in truth.**

You shall not misuse the name of the Lord.

**We will use the holy name of God with reverence,**

**praising him in everything we do and say.**

You shall observe the Sabbath by keeping it holy,  
for in six days you shall labor and do all your work.

**This is the day the Lord has made;**

**let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

You shall honor your father and mother, that you may live long  
in the land the Lord your God is giving to you.

**As children we will be obedient to our parents in the Lord;**

**as parents we will correct our children and guide them**

**in the training and instruction of the Lord;**

**we will respect the lawful authorities appointed by God.**

You shall not murder.

**We will be kind and compassionate to one another,**

**forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave us.**

You shall not commit adultery.

**We will use our bodies in ways that are holy**

**and honorable, and abstain from immorality and impurity.**

You shall not steal.

**We will do what we can for our neighbor's good,**

**and work faithfully so that we may share with the poor.**

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

**We will speak the truth with our neighbor in love,**

**render judgments that are true and make for peace,**

**and not devise in our hearts any evil against anyone.**

You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

**We will be content whatever the circumstances**

**through the strength of Christ within us.**

Thus we must love our neighbor as ourselves.

**For the Lord requires of us to do justice, to love kindness,**

**and to walk humbly with our God. Amen!**

CHILDREN'S DISMISSAL TO WORSHIP CENTERS

**THE WORD OF GOD**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

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This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

\*HYMN OF PREPARATION *(see insert)*

Come to Me, O Weary Traveler

Tune: STUTTGART

SERMON

“The Prescription for Summer Rest”

PRAYER FOR BLESSING ON THE WORD

SILENT PRAYER AND REFLECTION

**THE RESPONSE TO GOD**

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: *Our Song of Hope* 10, 11, 12 (in unison)

**As citizens we acknowledge  
the Spirit's work in human government  
for the welfare of the people,  
for justice among the poor,  
for mercy toward the prisoner,  
against inhuman oppression of humanity.**  
**We must obey God above all rulers,  
waiting upon the Spirit,  
filled with the patience of Christ.**  
**We pray for the fruits of the Spirit of Christ  
who works for peace on earth,  
commands us to love our enemies,  
and calls for patience among the nations.**  
**We give thanks for God's work among governments,  
seeking to resolve disputes by means other than war,  
placing human kindness above national pride,  
replacing the curse of war with international self-control.**  
**We hear the Spirit's call to love one another  
opposing discrimination of race or sex,  
inviting us to accept one another,  
and to share at every level  
in work and play,  
in church and state,  
in marriage and family,  
and so fulfill the love of Christ.**

OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINISTRY AND SHARING THE GIFT OF FELLOWSHIP

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

Sarabande

Philip Moore

\*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* 339

Be Thou My Vision

Tune: SLANE

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Grand Sortie

Andrew Fletcher

+Latecomers will be seated.

\*Those who are able may stand.

*Worship Leaders: Rev. Kent Fry, preaching; Rev. Kate Davelaar, liturgist; Kay Duthler, prayer for illumination; Mikaila Dahlseng, flute; 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 by Al and Jane Osman.

FOR THOSE WHO DESIRE PRAYER for yourself and others, Lars and Carol Granberg 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 – Lee and Milly Ten Brink, Harry and Mary Boersen, Gerb and Kay Duthler; Ushers – Charles and Lois Hunt; Deacons – Scott Wolterink, Steve Bulthuis, Lynne Bonnette, Jon Rietberg; Refreshment Servers – Carl and Carolyn Stegink.

CHILD CARE is available in the nurseries during the worship service. Attendants: Susie Vander Kolk, Andy Zoerman, Jon and Deb Van Duinen, Lucille Schroeder.

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP: Children 4 years through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade will be ushered from the sanctuary during the worship service to continue worship in **room 7**. We will enjoy a different format called "Kid's Own Worship" where we will explore Old Testament stories with song, storytelling, activities, and food. Please pick up your children in room 7 immediately after the worship service.

**THIS WEEK**

TUESDAY

9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting  
7:30 p.m. Women's Softball Game at East Saugatuck

WEDNESDAY

6:15 a.m. Men's Bible Study  
8:00 a.m. Wednesday Morning Prayers  
5:00 p.m. 40s/50s Picnic at Kamphuis'  
(193 Sunrise Dr.)  
6:00 p.m. Middle School Picnic at Faga's  
(819 E. 8<sup>th</sup> St.)

FRIDAY

7:00 a.m. S & A Ministry Group  
8:30 a.m. Gifts & Memorials Committee

**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.

PRAYER SPOTLIGHT: Holland Hospital – Roger Prins; Cleveland Clinic – Andy Lampen; Spectrum Blodgett – MaryAlice Ritsema; Mary Free Bed Hospital – Mark Ver Hulst. Joe MacDoniels has returned home from the hospital. Hospice House – Lois Van Oosterhout. The Inn – Jantina Holleman,

Barbara Lampen, Marjorie Rottschafer, Dorothy Sheets, Crystal Teague, Joyce Vander Well. In the Military – Mark South, Christine Loman, David Mummert, Tom Piaget.

**CAMPER'S CORNER**  
**Camp Fowler**  
**July 6-12**

Elizabeth Halsey

**GENERAL ITEMS**

With vacations this summer many of the staff will be unreachable. You are able to contact Pastor Kent at 298-2320 in case of an emergency.

CALLING ALL 40S AND 50S to come meet the Frys. There will be a Family Swim/Grill Night at Doug and Stacy Kamphuis' home, 193 Sunrise Dr., on Wednesday, July 9, 5:00-9:00 p.m. Drinks, tablewear, meat, and buns provided. Please bring a side dish to share. Please RSVP to Stacy Kamphuis, [stacy@the-insurance-group.com](mailto:stacy@the-insurance-group.com) or Mary De Young, [mdeyoung@hope.edu](mailto:mdeyoung@hope.edu) by Monday, July 7.

WALK-IN CHOIR: Everyone is invited to sing as part of the Walk-in Choir next Sunday, July 13. Rehearsal will begin at 9:30 a.m. in the choir room.

PIPE ORGAN ENCOUNTERS (POE) RECITALS: Hope College and the Holland Area Chapter of the American Guild of Organists are hosting 32 junior and senior high school students. Many lessons, rehearsals, and a recital will be held here at Third Reformed Church. Everyone is invited to attend the POE recitals on Monday, July 7 at 7:30 p.m. at Dimnent Chapel (Hope Alumni); Tuesday, July 8 at 7:30 pm. at Dimnent Chapel (POE faculty); Thursday, July 10 at 7:30 p.m. (POE faculty) at Third Reformed Church; Friday, July 11 at 10:00 a.m. the students will present their pieces beginning at Pillar Church.

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](mailto: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.

MIDDLE SCHOOLERS plan to come to the picnic at the Fagas, 819 E. 8<sup>th</sup> St., on Wednesday, July 9 at 6:00 p.m.

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*A Stephen Ministry Congregation*

**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*
Recording Treasurer	Delwyn Van Dyke*
Archivist/Historian	Elton J. Bruins*
Minister of Music Emeritus	Roger J. Rietberg

\*indicates part time staff

**THE CONSISTORY**

PROGRAM ELDERS

Jerry Bakker	Mark Hiskes
Lorna Cook	Kristen Johnson
Deb DuMez	John Lunn
Greg Dykhouse	Cal Rynbrandt

PARISH ELDERS

Kathy Miedema (1)	Lynne Caskey (13)
Eleanor Van Dyke (2)	Milly Ten Brink (14)
Peg Van Grouw (3)	Bill Doezema (15)
Marilyn Norman (4)	Martin Keller (16)
Sarah Unzicker (5)	Jeff Maatman (17)
Jane Dykstra (6)	Alan Beagley (18)
Tom Ter Haar (7)	Elaine Tanis (19)
Marilyn Brown (8)	Ruby Steketee (20)
Betty Balk (9)	Phyllis Brown (21)
Carol Cox (10)	Barb Moreau (22)
Elly Muiderman (11)	Lucille Schroeder (23)
Wayne Westenbroek (12)	Kate Bolt (24)

DEACONS

Jon Bechtel	Jay Mosterd
Jeff Beird	Jon Rietberg
Lynne Bonnette	Bekah Schipper
Steve Bulthuis	Tom Ten Hoeve

Rick Frens  
Laura Halsey  
Jim Hensley  
Andy Mulder

Jim Vander Meer  
Jeff Voskuil  
Scott Wolterink

