

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July, 2009

10:00 a.m.

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

PRAISE THE LORD

PRELUDE I Call to Thee Lord Jesus Christ H. Walcha

INTROIT Hal Hopson

O come let us sing to the Lord;
Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of salvation.
Sing and rejoice, sing and rejoice, sing, rejoice.

VOTUM

CALL TO WORSHIP (*responsively*)

Let me hear what God the Lord will speak,
for he will speak peace to his people,
to his faithful, to those who turn to him in their hearts.

**Surely his salvation is at hand for those who fear him,
that his glory may dwell in our land.**

Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet;
righteousness and peace will kiss each other.

**Faithfulness will spring up from the ground,
and righteousness will look down from the sky.**

The Lord will give what is good,
and our land will yield its increase.

**Righteousness will go before him,
and will make a path for his steps.**

—Psalm 85:8-13

SALUTATION

+*HYMN OF PRAISE *Hymns, Psalms, & Spiritual Songs* 264

When in Our Music God Is Glorified Tune: ENGELBERG

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

*RESPONSE *Sing! A New Creation* 30

Sing, Praise and Bless the Lord

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

(The congregation may exchange the Peace.)

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*responsively*)

Most gracious and most merciful God,
we confess to you and to one another that time after time
we have entered your presence with countless prayers
but with hearts that have been closed to your grace.
We have lifted our hands to you in praise,
but our feet have still walked in the ways of evil.
We have rehearsed your commandments
but have refused to see your face in the needs of our neighbor.
We pray, Lord, that you forgive our lack faith
and pardon our acts of injustice.

**Grant us the healing that comes from your presence
and the cleansing of your all-powerful Word,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

WORDS OF ASSURANCE I Timothy 1:15, 17

CALL TO NEW OBEDIENCE Amos 5:21-24

CHILDREN'S DISMISSAL TO WORSHIP CENTERS

HEARING WHAT GOD THE LORD WILL SPEAK

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: II Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19 p. 249

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: Ephesians 1:1-11 p. 191

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*HYMN OF PREPARATION *Hymns, Psalms, & Spiritual Songs* 376
Love Divine, All Loves Excelling Alternate Tune: BEECHER

SERMON "More Than Prose: Paul's Overture"

PRAYER FOR BLESSING ON THE WORD

SILENT PRAYER AND REFLECTION

WE RESPOND WITH RIGHTEOUSNESS AND PEACE

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: *The Belhar Confession (responsively)*

We believe in the triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
who gathers, protects, and cares
for the church through Word and Spirit.

**This God has done since the beginning
of the world and will do to the end.**

We believe in one holy, universal Christian church,
the communion of saints called from the entire human family.

**We believe that Christ's work of reconciliation
is made manifest in the church as the community of believers
who have been reconciled with God and with one another.**

*SONG OF AFFIRMATION *Sing! A New Creation* 282
Song of Hope Tune: ARGENTINA

OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINISTRY AND SHARING THE GIFT OF FELLOWSHIP

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

SOLO arr. by Dale Groetenhuis

Though I may speak with bravest fire,
And have the gift to all inspire,
And have not love; my words are vain;
As sounding brass, and hopeless gain.

Though I may give all I possess,
and striving so my love profess,
But not be given by love within;
The profit soon turns strangely thin.

God did not send Christ to the world
That he might then condemn us all,
But that the world by Christ's own death
Might then be ransomed from the fall.

Come, Spirit come, our hearts control,
Our spirits long to be made whole.
Let inward love guide every deed;
By this we worship and are freed.
—John 3:4-17

*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,
Help us to really know you,...but always honored and praised.
Thy kingdom come,
Rule us by your Word...that in it you are all in all.
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Help us and all people...as the angels in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
Do take care of all our physical needs...
and to put trust in you alone.
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
Because of Christ's blood...to forgive our neighbors.
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil.
By ourselves we are too weak...
until we finally win the complete victory.
For thine is the kingdom,
And the power, and the glory, forever.
We have made all these requests of you...
we really desire what we pray for. **Amen.**

*HYMN OF DEDICATION *Hymns, Psalms, & Spiritual Songs* 440
In Christ There Is No East or West Tune: MC KEE

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Eternal Father, Strong to Save arr. by Schubert

+Latecomers will be seated. *Those who are able may stand.

Worship Leaders: Rev. Kent Fry, preaching; Rev. Kama Jongerius, liturgist; Norman Ball, prayer of illumination; Alicia Pashby, minute for mission; Cathy Vander Meer, soloist; Lori Maatman, soloist.

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, Mary De Young and Greg Dykhouse 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 Carol Doezema, Alan and Jeanette Beagley, Bob and Jan Benningfield; Ushers – Del and Eleanor Van Dyke; Deacons – Carl Heideman, Karen Holleman, Jim Vander Meer, Jon Rietberg; Refreshment Servers – Jason, Adriann, Jillian, and Miles Divozzo.

CHILD CARE is available in the nurseries during the worship service.
Attendants: Susie Vander Kolk, Andy Zoerman, Karin Ashcroft.

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP: Children 4 years through 2nd grade will be ushered from the sanctuary during the worship service to continue our summer series, Living in Mission Everywhere, in room 7.

THIS WEEK

TUESDAY

9:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
6:30 p.m. AA Meeting
7:30 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

THURSDAY

6:30 p.m. AA Meeting

FRIDAY

6:00 p.m. Picnic at Moran Park

PERSONAL

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

SYMPATHY is extended to Carol Segrist, Doug, Stacy, Benjamin, Jordan, and Raechel Kamphuis, and Jay, Jennifer, Whitney and Abram Fields in the death of their husband, father, and grandfather, Bill Segrist, on June 27.

SYMPATHY is extended to Bill and Sarah Unzicker in the death of Bill's sister, Rhoda Boezeman, on July 8 in De Motte, Indiana.

PRAYER SPOTLIGHT: Pray for – Bob Brinks, Ruth Ter Beek. Out of Town – Ann Romeyn, 2380 Aurora Ponds Dr. SW #322, Wyoming, MI 49519; Elisabeth Ten Zythoff, 6447 Franwood Terrace, Fort Worth, TX 76112; Home – Jan Bosch; Royal Park Atrium – Gerry & Corky Tillema. In the Military – Sam Bonnette, Mark South, Christine Loman.

CAMPER'S CORNER

CAMP GENEVA

July 13-18
Charlie Mosterd

CAMP ROGER

July 6-13
Eliza Beird

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

SIGN UP YOUR KIDS FOR OUR ROME:

PAUL & THE UNDERGROUND CHURCH

August 3, 4, 5 and 6 from 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Tear off and put in offering plate or bring to the church office.

Name (s) and ages _____

In case of emergency, contact _____

Phone _____

Allergies, or other medical conditions _____

Sign ups also available at the children's info table in the Gathering Place.

PICNIC AT THE PARK on Friday, July 17 at Moran Park at 6:00 p.m. The picnics in the park are happening throughout the summer to have a church presence in the parks of Holland. If you have questions contact Pastor Kent or Nancy Claus. All are invited to sign up at the table in the Gathering Place.

NEEDED FOR PARENTS AS TEACHERS: Please continue to bring baby board books. They can be placed in the designated basket under the coat racks in the Gathering Place.

MIDDLE SCHOOL BEACH NIGHT at Van Allsburgs, 3932 Dune Shadow. Kids should be dropped off at 5:00 p.m. for dinner and then on to the beach. Don't forget your swimsuits. They should be picked up at 8:00 p.m.

HIGH SCHOOL: All high school students are invited to attend a Food and Flick night tonight at 6:00 p.m. in the youth room.

CAR WASH: The Senior High Youth Group will be having a car wash in the church parking lot on Saturday, July 25 9:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Donations will be accepted. Youth Group members plan to be here at 9:00 a.m. to help get things set up. Lunch will be served following.

GENERAL ITEMS

THIRD SUNDAY PIZZA LUNCH will be next Sunday, July 19 following the 11:00 a.m. worship service.

THIRD SUNDAY FOR HUNGER: Next Sunday, July 19 non-perishable food and other necessities will be collected for our monthly food drive. Donated items can be placed in the designated box in the Gathering place.

Remember that some members have severe allergic reactions to perfume. Please refrain from using perfume or other scented cosmetics when you know you will be sitting in a large group. Thank you.

LET'S GO CAMPING! For all interested, we have reserved the Group Camping Area at Pioneer County Park on Lake Michigan (15 miles north of PJ Hoffmaster State Park). The area is reserved for August 9-11, with sites open at 3:00pm on Sunday, August 9, and departure no later than 11:00am on Wednesday, August 11. Please stop by the Gathering Place to sign up, and for maps and more information on Pioneer County Park. Questions? Valerie Burke, 616-283-4081.

Journey, center for the church's learning, the RCA Office of Discipleship, along with Holly Schut invite those of you in midlife to come to: Midlife Momentum, Living with Purpose in Midlife and Beyond August 21-22, 2009 from 6:30 p.m. Friday until 4:30 p.m. Saturday at Geneva Camp and Conference Center. Registration information is available at <http://journey.westernsem.edu/seminars/midlife>.

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A Stephen Ministry Congregation