

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 27, 2009

8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

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

COMING INTO GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE

Petit Prelude

Joseph Jongen

VOTUM

CALL TO WORSHIP *(responsively)*

In God's world, all things are possible.

Those called unclean are made whole.

The weak become strong.

Night yields to day.

Mourning grows into dancing.

Joy comes from weeping.

Calls for help bring God's certain answer.

In God's world, all things are possible

SALUTATION

+*HYMN OF PRAISE *Hymns Psalms & Spiritual Songs 478*

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

Tune: LAUDA ANIMA

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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

(The congregation may exchange the Peace.)

PREPARATION FOR COMMUNION AND CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(responsively)*

Merciful God, for the things we have done that we regret,

forgive us;

for the things we have failed to do that we regret,

forgive us;

for all the times we have reacted without thought,

forgive us;

for all the times we have withdrawn care,

forgive us;

for all the times we have failed to forgive,

forgive us;

For hurtful words said and helpful words unsaid,

for unfinished tasks

and unfilled hopes,

God of all time,

forgive us and help us

to lay down our burden of regret. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Psalm 32:3-5

CALL TO NEW OBEDIENCE

Colossians 3:1-4

CHILDREN'S DISMISSAL TO WORSHIP CENTERS

HEARING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: II Kings 5:1-14

This is the Word of the Lord.

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Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL LESSON: Mark 1:40-45

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This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

*HYMN OF PREPARATION *Sing! A New Creation 205*

Healer of Our Every Ill

Tune: HEALER

SERMON

“Does God Heal?”

PRAYER FOR BLESSING ON THE WORD

SILENT PRAYER AND REFLECTION

RESPONDING TO GOD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: Apostles' Creed *(in unison)*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.
Amen.**

*GLORIA PATRI *Hymns, Psalms, & Spiritual Songs 579*

OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINISTRY AND SHARING THE GIFT OF FELLOWSHIP

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

ANTHEM

Craig Courtney

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say rejoice.

Rejoice, ye, pure in heart, rejoice, give thanks and sing;
Your festive banner wave on high,
The cross of the Christ your King.
Rejoice, give thanks and sing.

Be anxious for nothing;
But in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving
Let your requests be made known to God.
And the peace of God, which passes all understanding,
Will keep your hearts and minds in Jesus Christ.

Go on through life's long path, still chanting as ye go;
From youth to age, by night and day,
In gladness and in woe: rejoice, give thanks and sing.

—based on Philippians 4:4, 6, 7

*DOXOLOGY

Tune: OLD HUNDREDTH

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION AND LORD'S PRAYER

**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 376*
Love Divine, All Loves Excelling Tune: HYFRYDOL

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Psalm 19 Benedetto Marcello

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

Worship Leaders: Dr. Samuel Wells, preaching; Rev. Kent Fry, Rev. Kama Jongerius, liturgists; Hannah Faga, (8:30), P.J. Booi (11:00), prayer of illumination; Sophie Awad, Eliza Beird, prayer of thanksgiving and intercession; Amanda Dykhouse, Jennifer Walvoord, violins; Matins Choir; Sanctuary Choir; 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.

The flowers at the chancel today are given by Al and Jane Osman.

We welcome Dr. Samuel Wells as our guest preacher today. Dr. Wells is the chaplain at Duke University.

FOR THOSE WHO DESIRE PRAYER for yourself and others Tony and Elly Muiderman 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 (8:30) – Walt and Carol Seidelman; (11:00) – Phong, Dawn, Tom, and John Nguyen, Phyllis Bruggers, Edna Gallup, Dan, Kate, and Jack Bolt; Ushers – Steve, Karen, Matt, Joel, and Abbie Palmateer; Deacons – (8:30) Jon Bechtel, Jon Rietberg (11:00) Jeff Voskuil, Morrie Peterson, Rick Frens, Bekah Schipper; Refreshment Servers – Duane and P.J. Booi.

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

EDUCATION HOUR, 9:40-10:40 a.m., nursery care available

4 & 5 year olds	room 15	K & 1 st grades	room 8
2 nd & 3 rd grade	room 6	4 th grade	room 10
5 th grade	room 9	6 th , 7 th , & 8 th grade	room 11
Senior High	Youth Room		

LITTLE LAMBS: 3 year olds are invited to meet in room 14 at 9:40 a.m.

THE SPIRITUAL JOURNEY ADULT EDUCATION CLASS is open to all and is experiential, participatory, and practical. Come and go as you are able. Meet in the Centennial Room downstairs.

ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES, 9:40-10:40, Kerygma Bible Study "Discovering the Bible" in room 22. "Humor and the Christian Life" will be presented by Robert Van Voorst, in the chapel. NEXT WEEK: Faith Journey presented by Gene Vander Well.

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.

VESPER SERVICE
6:00 p.m. in the chapel.
"Youth 2 Youth Uganda Trip"

Worship Leaders: Olivia Husbands, Emily Knowles,
Bekah & Nate Schipper

THIS WEEK

SUNDAY

8:00 a.m. Matins Choir
9:15 a.m. Youth Choir
9:40 a.m. Education Hour
10:30 a.m. Children's Choir
2:00 p.m. Apple Picking at Dutch Market
5:00 p.m. Handbell Choir
6:00 p.m. Vesper Service
6:00 p.m. Pathfinders (H.S.)

MONDAY

3:00 p.m. Monday Fun Day

TUESDAY

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

WEDNESDAY

6:15 a.m. Men's Bible Study
6:30 a.m. Sunrise Saints
8:00 a.m. Wednesday Morning Prayers
4:00 p.m. Worship Committee
5:45 p.m. TASC Dinner
6:30 p.m. TASC Classes
6:30 p.m. Middle School Youth Group
6:30 p.m. Passage (High School)
6:45 p.m. Sanctuary Choir

THURSDAY

6:30 p.m. AA Meeting
7:00 p.m. Special Education Ministry

FRIDAY

9:30 a.m. Playgroup
10:00 a.m. Women's Prayer Group

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 Ken and Arloa Koning in the death of Ken's sister, Leona Nykamp, on September 16 in Illinois.

PRAYER SPOTLIGHT: Meijer Heart Center – El Slenk. Pray for – Bob Brinks, Bob Kuiper, Leslie Piaget, Ruth Ter Beek. The Inn – Jantina Holleman, Marjorie Rottschafer, Dorothy Sheets, Crystal Teague. In the Military – Sam Bonnette, Mark South, Christine Loman.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

PARENTS OF NURSERY AGED CHILDREN: Please remember to sign-in your child each week. Also, we want to keep all our children safe, so please note that children will be released to a parent/grandparent only. (Do not send older siblings to pick up your children). Thank you so much.

TASC CHILDREN: This Wednesday, September 30 we will be canvassing the neighborhood with fliers for our Community Action House Food collection for Wednesday, October 7. Because we will be out in our neighborhood on the next two Wednesday evenings, please dress appropriately for the weather.

SAVE THE DATE: Put on your calendar for **Monday, October 19 at 6:00 p.m.** a Spaghetti Dinner at TRC. The youth groups will be hosting a spaghetti dinner on Monday October 19 from 6:00-7:30 p.m. This dinner is an effort to raise the needed funds for us to go on a Mission Retreat. Our Mission Retreat is through Center for Student Missions in Chicago, IL. Childcare will be provided. Please come out for a fun night to support the students of TRC!

GENERAL ITEMS

PARENTS: Help us keep in touch with our college students and other away from home young people by calling the church office, 392-1459, or e-mailing, trc@macatawa.org, with their address. Your help is appreciated.

APPLE PICKING Join us for our annual apple picking at The Dutch Market (196 and 109th Ave. – exit 26) this afternoon at 2:00 p.m.

FLU SHOTS will be given Sunday, October 25 in Fellowship Hall from 9:15 to 11:15 a.m. Please sign up at the church office by Monday, October 19. Walk-ins will still be accepted. Wear short sleeves and bring your Priority Health or Medicare card. The cost is \$30.

CAKE BAKERS NEEDED: The cakes for October are ready. If you are able to bake a cake for a Hope College student please see Sandy Stielstra at the table in the Gathering Place.

EVENING VESPERS at 6:00 p.m. for next Sunday, October 4, World Communion Sunday, will be at De Vos Fieldhouse. Area Reformed Churches will gather together for worship. Offering is a non-perishable food item or personal hygiene item.

SIGN UP begins today for the Blood Drive on Monday, October 5. 12:00-6:00 p.m. If you would be willing to bring cookies or bars for the blood drive please pick up a container at the table in the Gathering Place.

SIGN UP begins today for Bunco on Friday, October 9 at 7:00 p.m. Please bring a finger food to share. Beverages will be provided and prizes will be awarded. Sign up in the Gathering Place or call the church office, 392-1459.

The October/November/December edition of *Words of Hope* is now available in the literature rack in the narthex and in the Gathering Place. Please take a copy with you today.

NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION: You are invited to attend a New Member Orientation that will meet either during the Education Hour on Sunday mornings or Wednesday evenings following the TASC dinners. The purpose is to experience the life of faith in Jesus Christ at Third Reformed Church, to ask questions, and to possibly become a member of the church. Sunday sessions will be from 9:40-10:40 a.m. October 11, 18, 25, and November 1. Wednesday session will be from 6:45-7:45 p.m. October 14, 21, 28 and November 4. All sessions will take place in the office conference room. If you have any questions please contact Pastor Kent.

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