

# EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 18, 2010

10:00 a.m.

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

## GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE Chorale Prelude on "Worcester" Ivor Atkins

INTROIT arr. by Aaron Copland

Shall we gather by the river, where bright angel's feet have trod,  
with its crystal tide forever flowing by the throne of God.

*Yes, we'll gather by the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river,  
Gather with the saints by the river that flows by the throne of God.*

Soon we'll reach the shining river, soon our pilgrimage will cease,  
Soon our happy hearts will quiver with the melody of peace.

## VOTUM

CALL TO WORSHIP *(responsively)*

The righteous will see, and fear,  
and will laugh at the evildoer, saying,

**"See the one who would not take refuge in God  
but trusted in abundant riches,  
and sought refuge in wealth!"**

But I am like a green olive tree in the house of God.  
I trust in the steadfast love of God forever and ever.

**I will thank you forever because of what you have done.**

**In the presence of the faithful**

**I will proclaim your name, for it is good.**

—Psalm 52:6-9

\*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

**Sovereign God, you cut down trees that bear no fruit,  
and prune fruitful trees that they may bear more.**

**Make us grow like rich olive trees in your kingdom,  
firmly rooted in the power and mercy**

**of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

\*SALUTATION

+\*HYMN OF PRAISE *Hymns, Psalms, & Spiritual Songs* 473

For the Beauty of the Earth

Tune: DIX

\*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 *(in unison)*

God of grace, we confess that we have elevated  
the things of this world above you.

We have made idols of possessions and people  
and used your name for causes

that are not consistent with you and your purposes.

We have permitted our schedules to come first  
and have not taken the time to worship you.

We have not always honored those who guided us in life.

We have participated in systems that take life instead of give it.

We have been unfaithful in our covenant relationships.

We have yearned for, and sometimes taken,  
that which is not ours,  
and we have misrepresented others' intentions.  
**Forgive us, O God,  
for the many ways we fall short of your glory.  
Help us to learn to live together according to your ways  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

WORDS OF ASSURANCE      Colossians 1:19

CALL TO NEW OBEDIENCE      Galatians 5:22-25

\*RESPONSE *Sing! A New Creation* 83  
Many and Great

Tune: LACQUIPARLE

CHILDREN'S DISMISSAL FOR "TREASURE SEEKERS"

## HEARING THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Amos 8:1-12      p. 856  
This is the Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL READING: Luke 10:38-42      p. 72  
This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

\*HYMN OF PREPARATION *Hymns, Psalms, & Spiritual Songs* 553  
For the Fruit of All Creation      Tune: EAST ACKLAM

SERMON      "A Basket of Summer Fruit  
and a Famine for the Word of God"

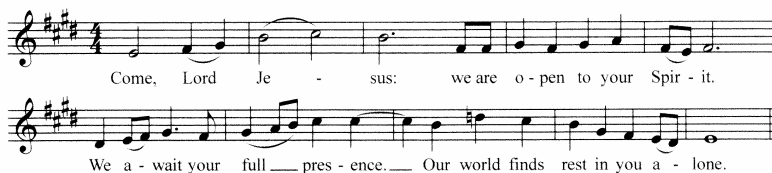
PRAYER FOR BLESSING ON THE WORD

SILENT PRAYER AND REFLECTION

## AFFIRMING OUR FAITH AND COMMITMENT

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: Our Song of Hope, stanza 15      (*in unison*)

**Christ elects the church  
to proclaim the Word and celebrate the sacraments  
to worship God's name, and to live as true disciples.  
He creates a community  
to be a place of prayer, to provide rest for the weary,  
and to lead people to share in service.**



OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINISTRY AND SHARING THE GIFT OF FELLOWSHIP

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY      Felix Mendelssohn  
Lord God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel;  
This day let it be known that Thou art God, and I am thy servant!  
Lord God of Abraham! O show to all this people  
That I have done these things according to thy word!

O hear me, Lord and answer me!  
Lord God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel;  
And show this people that Thou art Lord God:  
And let their hearts again be turned.

\*DOXOLOGY *Hymns, Psalms, & Spiritual Songs* 592

Tune: OLD HUNDREDETH

PRAYERS 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.**

## PARTING TO SERVE

WORDS OF COMMISSION Amos 5:23-24

\*HYMN OF DEDICATION *Sing! A New Creation* 272

O God, Your Justice Towers

Tune: COMPLAINER

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Jubilate

Roy Douglas

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

*Worship Leaders: Rev. Kent Fry, preaching; Rev. Kama Jongerius, liturgist; Brad Warren, prayer for illumination; Ross Green, 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.

This morning we continue our series for the summer on the Old Testament Prophets, "Troublers of Israel."

The flowers at the chancel today are given in loving memory Bill Segrist.

IF YOU DESIRE PRAYER for yourself and/or others Bill and Sarah Unzicker 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—Ray and Jane Snyder, Ryan, Leslie, Emma, Will, and Caroline Baker, Ron and Sunny Boeve; Ushers – Mark and Lynne Bonnette; Deacons – Jim Vander Meer, Jon Bechtel, Marj Hoekstra, Carl Heideman; Refreshment Servers – Tom and Barb Piaget.

CHILD CARE is available in the nurseries during the worship service. Attendants: Susie Vander Kolk, Andy Zoerman, Dan and Kate Bolt.

"TREASURE SEEKERS" Children's Summer Worship Program, for children aged 4 through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, continues today. Children will be dismissed from the sanctuary. Come join us on this "tropical island" adventure as we discover God as the greatest treasure of all! Parents, please pick up your child in the Treasure Seeker room (**children's music room 7**) after the service.

## THIS WEEK

### SUNDAY

11:15 a.m. Special Elders Meeting

### MONDAY

4:00 p.m. Senior High picnic at Wolterink's-375 Big Bay Dr.

### TUESDAY

9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting

7:00 p.m. Consistory Meeting

7:30 p.m. Women's Softball Game at Helder Park

8:15 p.m. Elders/Deacons Meeting

### WEDNESDAY

6:15 a.m. Men's Bible Study

8:00 a.m. Wednesday Morning Prayers

6:00 p.m. Middle School Picnic at Millen's-846 Harvard Dr.

### THURSDAY

8:30 a.m. Gifts & Memorials Committee

### FRIDAY

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.

CONGRATULATIONS to Mary Hiskes and Sean Getz who were married yesterday in Ada.

The congregation is invited to witness the nuptials of Melanie Elizabeth Rund, daughter of Austin and Janet Rund, and Andrew Lawrence Reynolds, son of Bruce and Jane Reynolds and Carol Bechtel and Tom Mullens. The ceremony will take place at 3 o'clock in the afternoon on July 24 in the sanctuary of Third Reformed Church.

PRAYER SPOTLIGHT: Holland Hospital – Karen Palmateer. Sue Pettinga has returned home from the hospital. John Dykstra had surgery this week in Grand Rapids. Pray for: Darrell Franken, Jane Dykstra. Lakeside Vista – Rosey Maatman, Roger Prins, Jean Walvoord; Heartland of Holland – Elizabeth Bennett; Appledorn Living Center – Louise Brackett, Florence Van Der Wilk. In the Military – Sam Bonnette, Christine Munoz.

### CAMPER'S CORNER

#### CAMP GENEVA

July 19-23

Abby Mendels

Madeleine Mendels

## CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

BACKYARD BASH – EGYPT 2010: Wednesday, July 28, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. Invite your family and friends to this evening of fun and fellowship as we “kick-off” our Egyptian VBS program. The Critter Barn and the Zoerman's horses will be back, as well as children's games with and Egyptian flair. Children will have the opportunity to “get wet” if they wish, so dress accordingly.

IT'S TIME TO REGISTER FOR EGYPT – VBS 2010: Children aged 4 through 5<sup>th</sup> grade are encouraged to register for this exciting program where we will be learning about Joseph and his journey from Prison to Palace in Egypt. VBS is scheduled for Monday, August 2 through Thursday, August 5 from 6:00-8:15 p.m. Pick up the registration form from our VBS table in the Gathering Place or click on the link at [www.trcholland.org](http://www.trcholland.org). Please return the forms to the church office or e-mail the information to [trc@macatawa.org](mailto:trc@macatawa.org).

HELP IS NEEDED FOR OUR BACKYARD BASH-EGYPT 2010: Adult and teen helpers are needed to supervise the games, lead the crafts, and clean up afterwards. Please sign up today in the Gathering Place. For more information, contact Joyce Fry.

TREATS NEEDED FOR BACKYARD BASH: Please sign up today in the Gathering Place if you are willing to bring a cake, a pie, cookies, or bars for our Backyard Bash.

NEEDED FOR BACKYARD BASH: A child's plastic wading pool, an inflatable pool alligator, and 2 wagons. Please let Joyce Fry know if you have these items to lend.

VBS FAMILY GROUP LEADERS: Please pick up your music CD on the table outside of the office.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS: Summer Picnic and party at the Wolterinks house (375 Big Bay Dr.) on Monday, July 19 at 4:00 p.m. We will enjoy some food, lawn games, and maybe even a boat ride! : ) We look forward to gathering together this summer for some fun and fellowship.

### **GENERAL ITEMS**

THIRD SUNDAY FOR HUNGER: Non-perishable food and other necessities will be collected today for our monthly food drive. Donated items can be placed in the designated box in the Gathering place.

READING WITH BUEN PASTOR children will begin on Monday, July 19. If you have not been contacted by Sandy Stielstra, please call her at 335-9614 to find out when you are scheduled to read.

DIRECTORY: A new address directory is going to be printed soon. Please stop by the table, in the Gathering Place, where there is a copy of the current directory, to be sure your family's information is correct. We would like to have as many e-mail addresses included in the directory as possible. Your e-mail address will not be printed without your permission. Please indicate what your e-mail address is and that it is okay to be printed. It will not be shared with those outside of the congregation.

SHARE YOUR MEMORIES: The Communications Team is assembling a new website, and we'd like to feature your photographs and memorabilia! E-mail [scottmillen@sbcglobal.net](mailto:scottmillen@sbcglobal.net) or drop off your discs and prints and the like at the church office. We're planning on a fall launch, so the sooner the better!

Next Sunday, Elton Bruins will make a brief presentation on the architecture and history of Third Reformed Church at the chancel steps immediately following morning worship. All interested persons are invited to attend.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL & GARDEN TOUR: Join your friends (rain or shine) for a time to enjoy flowers and food at the Osmans' garden at 1081 W. 27<sup>th</sup> St. from 6:00-8:00 p.m. on Sunday night, July 25. If you need transportation please call the church office at 392-1459. This event is being planned by the Fellowship Committee.

Phyllis Bruggers needs help! She is moving to the Warm Friend where she will not have room for all the gifts she and Glenn received from friends in Japan, China and India. Phyllis would like to share these gifts with you. Stop by her home (570 Appletree Dr.) on Friday, July 23 between 1:00 and 8:30 p.m. and on Saturday, July 24 between 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. to choose what you would like. This is not a sale! (All ages are invited.)

### **THIRD REFORMED CHURCH**

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