

February 21, 2021

*This is the day that the LORD has made,
let us rejoice and be glad in it. Psalm 118:24*

Offering

Please put tithe in lock box at the back of sanctuary before the service begins.
(Mark on memo line if designating for a specific fund i.e. Deacon's Fund.)

Prelude

More Love to Thee, O Christ arr. McDonald
O Love That wilt Not Let Me Go arr. Hayes

Welcome and Announcements

***Call to Worship**

Psalm 50:1-6

***Hymn of Praise**

To God Be the Glory

No. 55

To God be the glory, great things he has done!
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
who yielded his life an atonement for sin,
and opened the life-gate that we may go in.

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Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father thro' Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory, great things he has done!

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood!
To ev'ry believer the promise of God;
the vilest offender who truly believes,
that moment from Jesus forgiveness receives.

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Great things he has taught us, great things he has done,
and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
but purer and higher and greater will be
our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.

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***Prayer of Invocation**

Scripture Reading

Exodus 14:19-30

Prayer of Confession

Heavenly Father, you have sought us out before the foundations of this world were laid. You bought us at a tremendous price to yourself, the death of your only Son. And you have clothed us in Christ's righteousness so that we are perfect and just in your sight. Yet in spite of all your grace and mercy, we still sin. We, as your sons and daughters, continue to give in to temptations, we fall short of your glory, and we break your law. Forgive us of all our sin, and continue to mold us, realign our heart's affections to desire only you and your glory. And sanctify us more and more to be like your Son Jesus, in Jesus name, Amen.

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

Psalm 50:16-23

¹⁶ But to the wicked, God says: "What right have you to recite my laws or take my covenant on your lips?" ¹⁷ You hate my instruction and cast my words behind you. ¹⁸ When you see a thief, you join with him; you throw in your lot with adulterers. ¹⁹ You use your mouth for evil and harness your tongue to deceit. ²⁰ You speak continually against your brother and slander your own mother's son. ²¹ When you did these things and I kept silent, you thought I was exactly like you. But I will rebuke you and accuse you to your face. ²² "Consider this, you who forget God, or I will tear you to pieces, with no one to rescue you: ²³ He who sacrifices thank offerings honors me, and he prepares the way so that I may show him the salvation of God."

***Hymn of Thanksgiving**

Psalm 50

Tune: I Love Thy Kingdom Lord

¹ The Mighty God the LORD

Has spoken and did call
The Earth from rising of the sun
To where it has its fall

² From Zion's holy hill

Perfection's high abode
Of matchless beauty even thence
In glory shineth God.

³ Our God shall surely come;

Keep silent shall not He;
Before Him fire shall waste;
great storms

Shall round about Him be.

⁴ And to the heavens above

He sendeth forth His call,
And also to the Earth, that He
May judge His people all.

⁵ "Together let My saints

Before Me gather be;
Those that by sacrifice have made
A covenant with Me."

⁶ Then shall the heav'ns declare

His righteousness aboard,
Because He only is the judge;
Yea, none is judge but God.

Westminster Shorter Catechism 8-9

Q8. How doth God execute his decrees?

A. God executeth his decrees in the works of creation and providence.

Q9. What is the work of creation?

A. The work of creation is God's making all things of nothing, by the word of his power, in the space of six days, and all very good.

Prayer of Intercession

*Hymn of Preparation

How Deep The Father's Love For Us



1. How deep the Fa-ther's love for us, how vast be-yond all mea - sure,
2. Be - hold the man up - on the cross, my sin up - on His shoul - ders;
3. I will not boast in a - ny - thing, no gifts, no pow'r, no wis - dom;



that He should give His on - ly Son to make a wretch His trea - sure.
a - shamed, I hear my mocking voice call out a - mong the scof - fers.
but I will boast in Je - sus Christ, His death and re - sur - rec - tion.



How great the pain of sear - ing loss: the Fa - ther turns his face a - way
It was my sin that held Him there un - til it was ac - com - plished;
Why should I gain from His re - ward? I can - not give an an - swer,



as wounds, which mar the Cho - sen One, bring ma - ny sons to glo - ry.
His dy - ing breath has brought me life: I know that it is fin - ished.
but this I know with all my heart: His wounds have paid my ran - som.

1. The Insanity of the Worldly Kingdom

- a. Accusations
- b. Insanity
- c. Satan

2. The Power of Christ's Kingdom

- a. Jesus, the strong man
- b. Jesus, the divider
- c. Jesus, the judge

3. Heart Change

- a. The woman's declaration
- b. Keeping the word

Questions:

1. How can you share the Gospel with someone who won't stand to reason? Read 2 Cor 10:3-5, 1 Peter 3:15, Matthew 7:6, and Proverbs 26:4-5. What instruction do each of these passages give you?
2. What does it mean that Christ is a strong man? What does the strong man do in this passage? What are Satan's spoils that Jesus plunders?
3. How does Jesus bring division? How does John 14:6 demonstrate to us this division?
4. What does it mean to keep God's word? How can you do a better job of this?

Hymn of ResponseAll Creatures of Our God and King*

No. 115

All creatures of our God and King,
lift up your voice and with us sing alleluia, alleluia!
Thou burning sun with golden beam, thou silver moon with softer gleam,
O praise Him, O praise Him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Thou rushing wind that art so strong,
ye clouds that sail in heav'n along, O praise Him, alleluia!
Thou rising morn in praise rejoice, ye lights of evening, find a voice,
O praise Him, O praise Him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Thou flowing water, pure and clear,
make music for thy Lord to hear, alleluia, alleluia!
Thou fire so masterful and bright, that givest man both warmth and light,
O praise Him, O praise Him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

And all ye men of tender heart,
forgiving others, take your part, O sing ye, alleluia!
Ye who long pain and sorrow bear, praise God and on Him cast your care,
O praise Him, O praise Him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless,
and worship Him in humbleness, O praise Him, alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, three in one,
O praise Him, O praise Him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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Benediction**Gloria Patri**

No. 735

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

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PostludeChrist is Made the Sure Foundation*

arr. Greene

* **Congregation:** Please stand as able.

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**Piano
Intercessory Prayer**

Sandy Schoon
Andrew Gretzinger

Weekly Calendar

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
SUN 2/21	9:00 AM	Opening Exercises & Sunday School (New Members & Kingdom of God)
	10:30 AM	Worship Service (available YouTube & Facebook)
	12:00 PM	Schoon Care Group (Schoon Home)
WED 2/24	9:30 AM	Morning Women’s Study (Meets at Church)
THUR 2/25	7:30 PM	Vocal Ensemble Rehearsal (Meets at Church)
SUN 2/28	9:00 AM	Opening Exercises & Sunday School (New Members & Kingdom of God)
	10:30 AM	Worship Service (available YouTube & Facebook)
	12:15 PM	Schoon Care Group (Schoon Home)

Serving the Lord

	2/21	2/28	3/7	3/14	3/21
AM Nursery	Felicia	Ashley	Lorrie	Kathleen	Yon
Greeters	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Treats	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Serve/Cleanup	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Audio	B. Armstrong	B. Schoon	J. Martin	B. Armstrong	B. Schoon
Elder of the Week	Gretzinger	Hrivnak	Nelson	Lindborg	Gretzinger
Deacon of the Week	Jim	Matt	Jason	Jim	Matt

Announcements

- **Church Leadership Meetings:** The Session meets the first Tuesday of every month and the Deacon's meet the third Tuesday of each month. If ever there are any concerns, questions, or needs, please do not hesitate to contact Yon Lindborg, Clerk of Session (yonedfarm@gmail.com) or Jim Martin, Clerk of the Diaconate (jim@jimandlorrie.com) with these matters, and we will always do our best to address them in a timely and biblical manner.
- **Book Table:** The resources vary and are there for whatever needs you may have. Feel free to take any books you need. If you wish to give a donation to the church in gratitude or to restock for the future please mark it clearly for book table
- **Biblical Counseling:** Shepherd's Way Biblical Counseling Center of Holland is hosting a conference on Depression on April 16th . In a world of sin and suffering, depression is an ongoing reality. The Coronavirus pandemic has exposed a pandemic of depression within our communities. Come and hear Dr. David Murray offer a word of hope from a biblical perspective. The conference will be in Holland, MI. Registration information will be forthcoming so save the date.
- **Thank You:** Pete & Arlene wish to express their thanks for your prayers during this time. On Thursday Pete was moved to Life Care Center for rehab. You are encouraged to send cards to:
Life Care Center
802 US-20
Michigan City, IN 46360
- **Save the Date:**
 - **April 3** Good Shepherd will host an Easter Egg Hunt as community outreach. Please donate individually wrapped, mini candy to the church office.
 - **April 14/27** Good Shepherd will partner with Joni & Friends to put on a wheelchair drive. We will need help beforehand and on the days of the event. Please sign up to help at the Welcome Desk.