

March 24th, 2019

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

Please greet those around you before the announcements begin.

Welcome and Announcements

Time of Greeting (Sharing God's Welcome)

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Moments of Meditation

While the music is being played, quietly prepare your heart for worship.

“All you have made will praise you, O Lord; your saints will extol you.”

Psalm 145:10

All Creatures of Our God and King

arr. Berry

Call to Worship

Psalm 118:19-22

***Chorus of Praise**

Behold Our God

Melody on next page of bulletin

***Prayer of Invocation**

Scripture Reading

Ephesians 2:11-22
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Behold Our God

Who has held the o - ceans in His hands? Who has num - bered
Who has giv - en coun - sel to the Lord? Who can ques - tion
Who has felt the nails up - on His hand, bear - ing all the
ev' - ry grain of sand? Kings and na - tions trem - ble at His voice.
an - y of His words? Who can teach the One who knows all things?
guilt of sin - ful man? God e - ter - nal, hum - bled to the grave.

All cre - a - tion ris - es to re - joice. Be - hold our
Who can fath - om all His won - drous deeds?
Je - sus, Sav - ior, ri - sen now to reign!

God, seat - ed on His throne. Come, let us a - dore Him. Be - hold our
King. Noth - ing can com - pare, come, let us a - dore _____ Him.

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Prayer of Confession

Most merciful God, whose son Jesus Christ was tempted in every way, yet without sin, we confess before You our own sinfulness: we have hungered after that which does not satisfy; we have compromised with evil; we have doubted Your power to protect us. Forgive our lack of faith; have mercy on our weakness. Restore in us such trust and love that we may walk in Your ways and delight in doing Your will. For Jesus' sake. Amen.

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

Psalm 91:14-16

¹⁴ "Because he loves me," says the Lord, "I will rescue him; I will protect him, for he acknowledges my name. ¹⁵ He will call upon me, and I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble, I will deliver him and honor him. ¹⁶ With long life will I satisfy him and show him my salvation."

*Hymn of Thanksgiving

My Faith Has Found a Resting Place

No. 468

My faith has found a resting place, from guilt my soul is freed;
I trust the ever-living One, His wounds for me shall plead.
I need no other argument, I need no other plea,
it is enough that Jesus died, and that He died for me.

Enough for me that Jesus saves, this ends my fear and doubt;
a sinful soul I come to Him, He'll never cast me out.
I need no other argument, I need no other plea,
it is enough that Jesus died, and that He died for me.

My heart is leaning on the Word, the written Word of God:
salvation by my Savior's name, salvation thro' His blood.
I need no other argument, I need no other plea,
it is enough that Jesus died, and that He died for me.

My great Physician heals the sick, the lost He came to save;
for me His precious blood He shed, for me His life He gave.
I need no other argument, I need no other plea,
it is enough that Jesus died, and that He died for me.

New City Catechism Question # 28

What happens after death to those not united to Christ by faith?

At the day of judgment they will receive the fearful but just sentence of condemnation pronounced against them. They will be cast out from the favorable presence of God, into hell, to be justly and grievously punished, forever.

Prayer of Intercession

Tithes and Offering

For the Beauty of the Earth

arr. Chung

***Hymn of Preparation**

I Love to Tell the Story

No. 478

I love to tell the story of unseen things above,
of Jesus and His glory, of Jesus and His love.
I love to tell the story, because I know 'tis true;
it satisfies my longings as nothing else can do.
I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and His love.

I love to tell the story; more wonderful it seems
than all the golden fancies of all our golden dreams.
I love to tell the story, it did so much for me;
and that is just the reason I tell it now to thee.
I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and His love.

I love to tell the story; 'tis pleasant to repeat
what seems, each time I tell it, more wonderfully sweet.
I love to tell the story, for some have never heard
the message of salvation from God's own holy Word.
I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and His love.

I love to tell the story; for those who know it best
seem hungering and thirsting to hear it, like the rest.
And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song,
'twill be the old, old story, that I have loved so long.
I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and His love.

Sermon

God's Global Mission & You

Psalm 67

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See notes on insert in the bulletin

***Hymn of Response**

O God, to Us Show Mercy

No. 437

Sung to the tune of *Aurelia*; The Church's One Foundation

O God, to us show mercy and bless us in Your grace;
cause now to shine upon us the brightness of Your face;
that so Your way most holy on earth may soon be known,
and unto ev'ry people Your saving grace be shown.

O God, let all men praise You, let all the nations sing;
in ev'ry land let praises and song of gladness ring;
for You shall judge the people in truth and righteousness,
and through the earth the nations shall Your just rule confess.

O God, let people praise You, let all the nations sing,
for earth in rich abundance to us her fruit shall bring.
The Lord our God shall bless us, our God shall blessing send,
and all the earth shall fear Him to its remotest end.

***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.

***Postlude**

How Majestic Is Your Name

arr. Keveren

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

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Piano

Sandy DeGroot

Scripture, New City Catechism & Intercessory Prayer

Bruce Hrivnak, Elder

Weekly Calendar

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
SUN 3/24	9:00 AM	Opening Exercises
	9:15 AM	Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Worship Service
WED 3/27	9:30 AM	Ladies' Bible Study
	11:00 AM	Ladies' Bible Study
THURS 3/28	11:00 AM	Brunch at Viking Chili Bowl
	6:30 PM	Financial Peace University Class
SAT 3/30	9:00 AM	Pastoral Workshop
SUN 3/31	9:00 AM	Opening Exercises
	9:15 AM	Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Worship Service

Important Upcoming Events

SUN 4/7	9:00 AM	Missionary visit with the Talleys & Carry-In Lunch
SUN 4/14	6:00 PM	Prayer Meeting (Missions Focus)
WED 4/24	6:30 PM	Congregational Meeting

Serving the Lord

	<i>3/24</i>	<i>3/31</i>	<i>4/07</i>
S.S. Nursery	B. Hrivnak	J. Marshall	B. Schoon
AM Nursery	V. Lash, Grayden L.	L. Martin, Aaron L.	L. Hrivnak, Emily S.
Greeters	Lindborg	DeGroot	Rogers
Bring Treats	Hrivnak	J. Rogers	Schoon
Server & Clean-Up	Hrivnak	Lindborg	Schoon
Audio	J. Martin	B. Schoon	B. Armstrong
Elder of the Week	Hrivnak	Lindborg	Schoon

Announcements

☞ **Guest Minister:** This morning we welcome Rev. Ken Anema from Divine Hope Reformed Bible Seminary (he is taking the place of Rev. Nathan Brummel who was scheduled but has been ill this past week). Rev. Anema joined the Divine Hope faculty as Professor Old Testament and Hebrew in the fall of 2013. He graduated from Dordt College in 1988 and completed his seminary training at Mid-America Reformed Seminary in 1991. Prior to joining the faculty, Rev. Anema served as pastor at the Messiah's Independent Reformed Church in Holland, Michigan, for 20 years. May the Lord bless our time together as we worship Him.

Pastoral Workshop: We will be holding a workshop this Saturday, March 30, 9 am, in support of the pastoral search that we are now engaged in. The goal is to consider together the priorities that we think most important for the new minister and the main pastoral strengths and experience desired. This will be an important time to get input from all the members, so please make every effort to be there.

☞ **Pastoral Search Committee:** The Pastoral Search Committee has met twice in March. Jerry DeGroot is the Chairman, Jason Lash is the Vice Chairman, and Melissa Stoltzfus is the Secretary. The committee will provide further updates after meetings. If you have any questions or concerns for the committee, please submit them to Melissa by text at 219-309-5092, by email at mbestoltzfus@gmail.com, or in writing, and she will forward them to all members of the committee. We appreciate your prayers during the search for a new pastor.

☞ **Brunch Fellowship:** Meet for brunch on Thursday, March 28, at 11:00 am at the Viking Chili Bowl (105 E Morthland Drive, Valparaiso). Everyone welcome!

☞ **Missionary Visit on April 7:** Jeff and Esther Talley, career missionaries serving in Slovakia and formerly in Kenya, will be visiting Saturday and Sunday, April 6 and 7. They will speak in Sunday School. A carry-in lunch is planned for Sunday. Details to follow.

☞ **Committee Reports Due by April 17:** Committee chairs or someone from your committee should write up a report for the annual meeting booklet and email it to Sandy by Wednesday, April 17.

☞ **Good Friday Service:** In 2015, our Adult Choir sang the musical *We Remember Calvary* during the Good Friday service. This year, the Worship Committee is asking that you consider singing in this mini-musical by taking a book home with you and rehearsing on your own time by listening to a CD of the musical. It is an excellent musical with familiar songs: *My Faith Looks Up to Thee*, *Have Thine Own Way Lord*, *Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus*. Your participation would be greatly appreciated! Contact Sandy DeGroot if you are interested in participating.

☞ **Summer Mission Trip:** We are still exploring the opportunity for a summer mission trip to St. Louis to participate for a week in an urban ministries program. The potential dates are June 1-8, July 6-13 & 13-20. If you are interested or have questions, please speak to Bruce or Lucy Hrivnak. We would especially need 1-2 adult leaders. A decision to send a group needs to be made by April 1.