

June 23rd, 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.

“May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.”

2 Corinthians 13:14

Come, Thou Almighty King

arr. C. Berry

Call to Worship

Psalm 113

Pastor: Praise the Lord!

People: Praise, O servants of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord.

Pastor: Let the name of the Lord be praised, both now and forevermore.

People: From the rising of the sun to the place where it sets, the name of the Lord is to be praise.

Pastor: The Lord is exalted over all the nations, His glory above the heavens.

People: Who is like the Lord our God, the One who sits enthroned on high, who stoops down to look on the heavens and the earth?

Pastor: He raises the poor from the dust and lifts the needy from the ash heap;

People: He seats them with princes, with the princes of their people

Pastor: He settles the barren woman in her home as a happy mother of children.

People: Praise the Lord.

***Chorus of Praise**

Lift High the Name of Jesus



Lift high the name of Je - sus, of Je - sus our King. Make
Lift high the name of Je - sus, of Je - sus our Lord. His
Lift high the name of Je - sus, of Je - sus our Light. No



known the pow - er of His grace; the beau - ty of His peace. Re -
pow'r in us is grea - ter than, is grea - ter than this world. To
oth - er name on earth can save, can raise a soul to life. He



mem - ber how His mer - cy reached and we cried out to Him. He
share the rea - son for our hope, to serve with love and grace, that
o - pens up our eyes to see the har - vest He has grown. We



lift - ed us to so - lid ground, to free - dom from our sin. Oh
all who see Him shine through us might bring the Fath - er praise.
la - bor in His fields of grace as He leads sin - ners home.



sing my soul and tell all He's done 'til the earth and hea - vens are



filled with His glo - - - ry.

***Prayer of Invocation**

Scripture Reading

Galatians 3:10-12
Pew Bible Page 1812

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God and Holy Father, we confess that we have forgotten Your gospel promise and have placed our trust in our own works. We have taken the joy and freedom that comes from a relationship with You and replaced it with rules and regulations. Though we are forgiven, we feel guilty. Though we are free, we live as those who are bound. Though we are sinners, we act as judges. Deliver us from soul-destroying legalism through the grace of knowing Jesus. Thank You that He died to take away every one of our sins and to give us His perfect righteousness that we already stand blameless in Your sight. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

Galatians 3:13-14

¹³ Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us, for it is written: "Cursed is everyone who is hung on a tree." ¹⁴ He redeemed us in order that the blessing given to Abraham might come to the Gentiles through Christ Jesus, so that by faith we might receive the promise of the Spirit.

***Chorus of Thanksgiving**

Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery

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New City Catechism Question # 41

What is the Lord's Prayer?

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

*Chorus of Thanksgiving

Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery

1. Come be - hold the won - drous mys - tery, in the
2. Come be - hold the won - drous mys - tery: He the
3. Come be - hold the won - drous mys - tery: Christ the
4. Come be - hold the won - drous mys - tery: slain by

dawn - ing of the King. He, the theme of heav - en's
per - fect Son of Man. In His liv - ing, in His
Lord up - on the tree. In the stead of ru - ined
death, the God of life. But no grave could e'er re -

prais - es, robed in frail hu - man - i - ty. In our
suf - fering, Nev - er trace nor stain of sin. See the
sin - ners hangs the Lamb in vic - tor - y! See the
strain Him; Praise the Lord, He is a - live! What a

long - ing, in our dark - ness, now the light of life has
true and bet - ter A - dam, come to save the hell - bound
price of our re - demp - tion, see the Fath - er's plan un -
fore - taste of de - liv - 'rance, how un - wav - er - ing our

come! Look to Christ who con - de -
man. Christ the great and sure ful -
fold. Bring - ing man - y sons to
hope. Christ in pow - er re - sur -

scend - ed, took on flesh to ran - som us.
fill - ment of the law; in Him we stand.
glor - y: grace un - meas - ured, love un - told!
rect - ed, as we will be when He comes.

Prayer of Intercession

Tithes and Offering

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

arr. W. Smith

*Hymn of Preparation

Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!

No. 498 vs. 1, 2, 4

Jesus! what a Friend for sinners! Jesus! Lover of my soul;
Friends may fail me, foes assail me, He, my Savior, makes me whole.

REFRAIN: Hallelujah! what a Savior! Hallelujah! what a Friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving, He is with me to the end.

Jesus! what a strength in weakness! Let me hide myself in Him;
tempted, tried, and sometimes failing, He, my strength, my vict'ry wins. REFRAIN

Jesus! what a guide and keeper! While the tempest still is high,
storms about me, night o'er-takes me, He, my pilot, hears my cry. REFRAIN

Sermon

To Know & Love Jesus

Luke 7:18-50
Pew Bible Page 1603

Outline:

1. Jesus' testimony of Himself (Luke 7:18-23)

2. Jesus' testimony of John (Luke 7:24-30)

3. People's testimony of Jesus & John (Luke 7:31-35)

4. A woman's testimony of Jesus (Luke 7:36-50)

***Hymn of Response**

Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee

No. 645

Jesus, the very thought of Thee with sweetness fills my breast;
but sweeter far Thy face to see, and in Thy presence rest.

Nor voice can sing, nor heart can frame, nor can the mem'ry find,
a sweeter sound than Thy blest name, O Savior of mankind.

O Hope of ev'ry contrite heart, O Joy of all the meek,
to those who fall, how kind Thou art! How good to those who seek!

But what to those who find? Ah, this nor tongue nor pen can show:
the love of Jesus, what it is none but His loved ones know.

Jesus, our only joy be Thou, as Thou our prize wilt be;
Jesus, be Thou our glory now, and through eternity.

***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**

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!

arr. Wagner

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

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Piano/Organ

Scripture, New City Catechism & Intercessory Prayer

Sandy DeGroot
Yon Lindborg, Elder

Weekly Calendar

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
SUN 6/23	10:30 AM	Worship Service
FRI 6/28	5:30 PM	Pastoral Search Committee
SAT 6/29	6:10 PM	RailCats Game
SUN 6/30	10:30 AM	Worship Service

Serving the Lord

	6/23	6/30	7/07
AM Nursery	F. Armstrong	V. Lash, Grayden L.	C. Tuitman, Alanna T.
Greeters	C.L. Yonker	Hrivnak	J. Rogers
Audio	B. Armstrong	J. Martin	B. Schoon
Elder of the Week	Lindborg	Stoltzfus	Hrivnak

Announcements

☞ **Guest Pastor:** This morning we welcome Rev. Joel Irvin. Pastor Joel is an Associate Pastor at Michiana Covenant PCA in Granger, IN and the Church Planter of a new Mission Work in Elkhart, IN where he and his wife Jamie have been lifelong residents. He is a graduate of Mid America Reformed Seminary (Mdiv) and Indiana University. Joel and Jamie have been married for 11 years, are licensed foster parents, and “have a big fluffy dog named *Bella*.” Next week our guest pastor is Rev. Nathan Brummel. Rev. Brummel is an administrator and professor of theology at Divine Hope Reformed Bible Seminary and associate pastor at Immanuel United Reformed Church (DeMotte). He is married to Paula and they have six children from ages 6 to 24.

☞ **RailCats Baseball Game:** We are all set to go on the RailCats game this Saturday, June 29 at 6:10 pm. There is a group of 45 people going to the game! The ticket order has been finalized. To make things easier, tickets will be available for pickup at the will-call window. Bruce Stoltzfus has given them your last name along with the number of tickets you ordered. You should be able to go to the window, give them your last name, and also mention that you are with the group from Good Shepherd. Each ticket cost \$13 and includes a \$5 voucher for food or merchandise. I have paid for the tickets personally, so you can pay me directly for the tickets. Thanks for joining the Stoltzfus Care Group for what we hope will be a fun night of baseball and fireworks.

☞ **A New Volunteer Schedule:** A volunteer schedule starting with June 30 responsibilities and going through October 27 has been posted to the church's website. A copy is also available on the table in the narthex. If you need to trade with someone, please make this arrangement yourself and then email the church office so that an accurate schedule can be listed in the bulletin each week. Thanks to all who have volunteered!

☞ **Service Day at *By the Hand* Club** - We would like to send a team to help at the *By the Hand* summer program. The days available to us are Monday/Tuesday, July 22/23 or Monday/Tuesday, July 29/30. We have usually only gone one day in past summers, but if there is enough interest we could go on two days. *By the Hand* is a Christ-centered, after-school program located in four of Chicago's most under-resourced neighborhoods. We will be going to the Altgeld Gardens Club site on the far south side (45 minutes from Good Shepherd) where former member and friend Martha Metcalfe works. Kids (12 and over) and adults are encouraged to participate. We will leave from Good Shepherd at 11:30 am, eat lunch in the car, and be ready to serve when we arrive. We would arrive back at the church at approximately 5:30 pm. The sign-up sheet is in the narthex. Please indicate which day(s) work for you.

☞ **Missions Reading Program:** We will again have a summer missions reading program. Books are in the cart in the back and include reading at three levels: (1) elementary, (2) middle school, and (3) young adult and up. For four of the missionaries, we have books on all three levels. There are some additional books added this year. Also included this year is an individual booklet on which to record your reading. We will aim to have a get together later this summer to share mission stories. Please sign out a book when you take it. It is so encouraging to read of God's work around the world. It can help grow our faith.