

July 21th, 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.

“God of grace and God of glory, on Thy people pour Thy power;
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the facing of this hour.”
Harry Emerson Fosdick (1930)

God of Grace and God of Glory

arr. Krug

Call to Worship

Psalm 8

Pastor: O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth!

People: You have set Your glory above the heavens.

Pastor: From the lips of children and infants You have ordained praise,

People: because of Your enemies, to silence the foe and the avenger.

Pastor: When I consider Your heavens, the work of Your fingers, the moon and the stars, which You have set in place,

People: what is man that You are mindful of him, the son of man that You care for him?

Pastor: You made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned him with glory and honor.

People: You made him ruler over the works of Your hands; You put everything under his feet:

Pastor: all flocks and herds, and the beasts of the field, the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea, all that swim the paths of the seas.

People: O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth!

***Hymn of Praise**

How Great Thou Art

No. 44 vs. 1, 2, & 4

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
consider all the worlds Thy hands have made.
I see the stars; I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed.
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee:
how great Thou art, how great Thou art! (Repeat last two lines)

When through the woods and forest glades I wander
and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees,
when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur,
and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze;
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee:
how great Thou art, how great Thou art! (Repeat last two lines)

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration,
and there proclaim, my God, how great Thou art.
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee:
how great Thou art, how great Thou art! (Repeat last two lines)

***Prayer of Invocation**

Scripture Reading

Matthew 18:1-9
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Prayer of Confession

God of glory and love, You have loved us from the beginning with a vast and boundless love. You endured the wearing loss of Your most precious Son to pay our ransom, and for this we adore You today with joy and gladness. You have called us to love one another as You have loved us, and we confess before You our complete unwillingness to obey this command. Like Cain, we are often consumed with jealousy of our brothers and sisters, harboring deep hatred in our hearts toward them. Instead of laying down our lives for others, we require them to serve us. Forgive us, Lord. Holy Spirit, we need Your strength and help to survive our many failures to love others every day. Help us to believe that You love us, and cause that love to transform us into people who extend grace and mercy to others. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

1 John 4:9-10

⁹ In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. ¹⁰ In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.

*Chorus of Thanksgiving

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.

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New City Catechism Question # 45

Is baptism with water the washing away of sin itself?

No, only the blood of Christ and the renewal of the Holy Spirit can cleanse us from sin.

Prayer of Intercession

Tithes and Offering

Speak, O Lord

arr. McDonald

***Chorus of Preparation**

Before the Throne of God Above



Be - fore the throne of God a - bove I have a strong and per - fect
When Sa - tan tempts me to de - spair, and tells me of the guilt with -
I bow be - fore the cross of Christ, and mar - vel at this love di -



plea, a great High Priest whose name is love, who ev - er lives and pleads for
in, up - ward I look and see Him there, who made an end to all my
vine, God's per - fect Son was sac - ri - ficed to make me right - eous in God's



me. My name is gra - ven on His hands, my name is writ - ten on His
sin. Be - cause the sin - less Sav - ior died my sin - ful soul is count - ed
eyes. This riv - er's depths I can - not know, but I can glo - ry in its



heart; I know that while in heav'n He stands, no tongue can
free, for God the Just is sat - is - fied to look on
flood; The Lord Most High has bowed down low, and poured on



bid me thence de - part, no tongue can bid me thence de - part.
Him and par - don me, to look on Him and par - don me.
me His glo - rious love, and poured on me His glo - rious love.

(See insert for Sermon Notes)

Hymn of ResponseMarvelous Grace of Our Loving Lord*

No. 465

Marvelous grace of our loving Lord, grace that exceeds our sin and our guilt,
yonder on Calvary's mount outpoured, there where the blood of the Lamb was spilt.
Grace, grace, God's grace, grace that will pardon and cleanse within;
grace, grace, God's grace, grace that is greater than all our sin.

Sin and despair like the sea waves cold, threaten the soul with infinite loss;
grace that is greater, yes, grace untold, points to the Refuge, the mighty cross.
Grace, grace, God's grace, grace that will pardon and cleanse within;
grace, grace, God's grace, grace that is greater than all our sin.

Dark is the stain that we cannot hide, what can avail to wash it away?
Look! There is flowing a crimson tide; whiter than snow you may be today.
Grace, grace, God's grace, grace that will pardon and cleanse within;
grace, grace, God's grace, grace that is greater than all our sin.

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.

PostludeBuilt on the Rock the Church Doth Stand*

arr. Krug

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

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Organ/Piano
Scripture, New City Catechism & Intercessory Prayer

Sandy DeGroot
Bruce Stoltzfus, Elder

Weekly Calendar

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
SUN 7/21	10:30 AM	Worship Service
TUES 7/23	11:30 AM	<i>By the Hand</i> Service Project
FRI 7/26	5:30 PM	Pastoral Search Committee
SUN 7/28	10:30 AM	Worship Service

Serving the Lord

	<i>7/21</i>	<i>7/28</i>	<i>8/04</i>
AM Nursery	C. Tuitman, Krystal T.	L. Martin, Grace M.	B. Schoon, Emily S.
Greeters	DeGroot	Stechly	Trujillo
Audio	J. Martin	B. Schoon	B. Armstrong
Elder of the Week	Stoltzfus	Stoltzfus	Hrivnak

Announcements

☞ **Guest Pastor:** We welcome Rev. Ted Gray to our pulpit this morning. Pastor Ted Gray recently retired from First United Reformed Church in Oak Lawn, Illinois. Previously he served Orthodox Presbyterian Churches in Oregon and Florida and a Christian Reformed Church in Vermont. He and his wife, Karen, reside in Crown Point and are blessed with three married daughters, including Ashley Stechly. Our guest pastor for next week Sunday is Pastor Curtis McDaniel. Curtis is the Reformed University Fellowship (RUF) Campus Pastor at Purdue University in West Lafayette.

☞ **Service Day at *By the Hand* on July 23:** A group will be helping at the Altgeld Gardens *By the Hand Club for Kids* this Tuesday, July 23. We will leave from Good Shepherd at 11:30 am and return at approximately 5:30 pm. There is also a possibility that a group could go on Monday or Tuesday, July 29 or 30. If you would like to participate, please speak to Bruce or Lucy Hrivnak.

☞ **Thank You:** Nelson and Sandy Schoon wish to thank the congregation for all the prayers and cards sent during his time of hospitalization. Nelson is thankful to be home again.

☞ **Friendship Families:** Friendship Families is a ministry of several local churches in which families or individuals are matched with an incoming international student at Valparaiso University. This is a great way to show the love of Christ to students from all over the world! Consider being a part of this ministry! It involves getting together monthly with your student(s). Several families in the church have done this in past years. See Lucy Hrivnak if you are interested or have questions.