

August 4th, 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.

“I will extol the LORD at all times; His praise will always be on my lips.”

Psalm 34:1

When Morning Gilds the Skies

arr. Innes

Responsive Call to Worship

Psalm 47:1,2,6,7

Leader: Clap your hands, all you nations; shout to God with cries of joy.

People: **How awesome is the Lord Most High, the great King over all the earth.**

Leader: Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises.

People: **For God is the King of all the earth; sing to Him a psalm of praise.**

***Hymn of Praise**

O Worship the King

No. 2 vs. 1, 4-6

O worship the King all-glorious above,
O gratefully sing His pow'r and His love;
our shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,
pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.

Your bountiful care what tongue can recite?
It breathes in the air; it shines in the light;
it streams from the hills; it descends to the plain;
and sweetly distils in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
in You do we trust, nor find You to fail;
Your mercies how tender, how firm to the end,
our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

O measureless Might! Ineffable Love!
While angels delight to hymn You above,
the humbler creation, though feeble their lays,
with true adoration shall lisp to Your praise.

***Prayer of Invocation**

Scripture Reading

Romans 16:17-20

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Prayer of Confession

God of grace, cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to You, confessing our faults, confiding in Your grace, and finding in You our refuge and strength. May we always see ourselves accurately as helpless sinners in need of grace. Thank you for Your amazing grace that draws us before Your throne to worship You, not as slaves, but as children of the living God. Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

Romans 1:16-17

¹⁶ For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes: first to the Jew, then to the Gentile. ¹⁷ For in the gospel the righteousness of God is revealed—a righteousness that is by faith from first to last, just as it is written: “The righteous will live by faith.”

Hebrews 4:16

¹⁶ Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

*Hymn of Thanksgiving

Wonderful Grace of Jesus

No. 467

Wonderful grace of Jesus, greater than all my sin;
how shall my tongue describe it, where shall its praise begin?
Taking away my burden, setting my spirit free;
for the wonderful grace of Jesus reaches me.

Words of Refrain for Women:

Wonderful the matchless grace of Jesus,
deeper than the mighty rolling sea; the rolling sea;
Wonderful grace all-sufficient for me, for even me;
broader than the scope of my transgressions,
greater far than all my sin and shame:
O magnify the precious name of Jesus, praise His name.

Words of Refrain for Men:

Wonderful the matchless grace of Jesus,
deeper than the mighty rolling sea;
Higher than the mountain, sparkling like a fountain,
all-sufficient grace for even me;
broader than the scope of my transgressions,
greater far than all my sin and shame:
O magnify the precious name of Jesus, praise His name!

Wonderful grace of Jesus, reaching a mighty host,
by it I have been pardoned, saved to the uttermost,
chains have been torn asunder, giving me liberty;
for the wonderful grace of Jesus reaches me. REFRAIN ABOVE

Wonderful grace of Jesus, reaching the most defiled,
by its transforming power, making Him God's dear child,
purchasing peace and heaven, for all eternity;
and the wonderful grace of Jesus reaches me. REFRAIN ABOVE

Ministry of Music

This Is Amazing Grace & Amazing Grace

by Phil Wickham

Who breaks the power of sin and darkness?
Whose love is mighty and so much stronger?
The King of Glory; the King above all kings.
Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder
and leaves us breathless in awe and wonder?
The King of Glory; the King above all kings.

This is amazing grace; this is unfailing love,
That You would take my place; that You would bear my cross.
You laid down Your life that I would be set free.
Jesus, I sing for all that You've done for me.

Who brings our chaos back into order?
Who makes the orphan a son and daughter?
The King of Glory; the King above all kings.
Who rules the nations with trust and justice?
Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance?
The King of Glory; the King above all kings.

This is amazing grace; this is unfailing love,
That You would take my place; that You would bear my cross.
You laid down Your life that I would be set free.
Jesus, I sing for all that You've done for me.

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!

When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,
we've no less days to sing God's praise than when we've first begun.

New City Catechism Question # 47

Does the Lord's Supper add anything to Christ's atoning work?

No, Christ died once for all. The Lord's Supper is a covenant meal celebrating Christ's atoning work; as it is also a means of strengthening our faith as we look to him, and a foretaste of the future feast. But those who take part with unrepentant hearts eat and drink judgement on themselves.

Prayer of Intercession

Tithes and Offering

Just As I Am

arr. Paxton

***Hymn of Preparation**

Spirit of the Living God

No. 726

Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me. Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me.
Break me! Melt me! Mold me! Fill me! Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me.

Intro: The Apostle's grand conclusion to this great Book of Romans.

Outline:

1. The list (vss. 1-16, 21-24).
 - A. Some questions about this list

 - B. Some observations about this list,

 - C. Main Idea about this list (this chapter):

2. A closer look at the list.

What are we supposed to "do" with this list?

What does it have to "do" with us?

3. A warning - a gem of instruction - and a promise (vss. 17-20)

4. A benediction (vss. 20, 25-27 at the end of our service)

***Hymn of Response**

Spirit of the Living God

No. 726

Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me. Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me.
Break me! Melt me! Mold me! Fill me! Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me.

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Please hold the elements so that we may all partake together.

The bread set apart is gluten free.

We use wine in the Lord's Supper, however, for those who prefer,
grape juice is provided in the outer ring of the tray.

***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.

***Benediction**

Pastor: The God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet. The grace of our Lord Jesus be with you. (Romans 16:20)

People: Now to him who is able to establish you in accordance with my gospel, the message I proclaim about Jesus Christ, in keeping with the revelation of the mystery hidden for long ages past, but now revealed and made known through the prophetic writings by the command of the eternal God, so that all the Gentiles might come to the obedience that comes from faith - to the only wise God be glory forever through Jesus Christ! Amen. (Romans 16:25-27)

***Threefold Amen**

No. 740

Amen, amen, amen.

***Postlude**

Praise Him! Praise Him!

arr. Johnson

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

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Vocalists

Meredith, Kaitlyn, Lauren and Sylvia DeGroot
Lydia and Charlotte DeGroot, Audrey and Emily Darling

Flutist

Audrey Darling

Piano

Sandy DeGroot

Tenor Sax

Leam Armstrong

French Horn

Becky Schoon

Organ

Sandy Schoon

Scripture, New City Catechism & Intercessory Prayer

Yon Lindborg, Elder

Weekly Calendar

DATE

TIME

EVENT

SUN 8/04

10:30 AM

Worship Service & The Lord's Supper

SAT 8/10

3:30 PM

Missionary Reading and Ice Cream Party

SUN 8/11

10:30 AM

Worship Service

Important Upcoming Events

SUN 8/11-8/18

See schedule listed on later page of this bulletin from the Pastoral Search Committee regarding meeting with Andrew and Jenni Gretzinger and family.

Serving the Lord

	8/04	8/11	8/18
AM Nursery	B. Schoon, Emily S.	L. Hrivnak, Krystal T.	V. Lash, Aaron L.
Greeters	Trujillo	Lauer	Hale/Grass
Audio	B. Armstrong	J. Martin	B. Schoon
Elder of the Week	Lindborg	Hrivnak	Stoltzfus

Announcements

☞ **Guest Pastor:** This morning we welcome Rev. Walter Lorenz, Pastor at Large of the Great Lakes Presbytery and our interim pastor. Next Sunday our guest pastor is Dr. Marcus Mininger, Associate Professor of New Testament Studies and Director of Institutional Assessment at Mid America Reformed Seminary. Dr. Mininger is also the associate pastor at New Covenant Community Church (OPC) in Joliet, IL.

☞ **The Lord's Supper:** The Lord's Supper will be celebrated today. An offering for the Deacon's Fund will be received at the back of the sanctuary.

☞ **Congregational Meeting:** A Special Congregational Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 21, at 6:30 pm. At the meeting we will be hear a report from the Pastoral Search Committee and we will vote on the candidate, Rev. Andrew Gretzinger, as our new pastor. Please pick up an envelope on the table in the back of church containing the formal notice of this meeting. There will be a ride list for those who would appreciate a ride. Please be in prayer. It is times of change and challenge that can build the church and knit us closer in bonds of love. Plan on attending this important meeting!

☞ **Adult Sunday School August 18:** On Sunday, August 18 at 9:30 am we will have a special adult Sunday School led by Andrew Gretzinger. This has been scheduled to allow the congregation to see Andrew in a teaching role before the congregational vote on August 21. We would like as many of the congregation as possible be there for this special adult Sunday School. Then after the Sunday School, Andrew will be preaching during our morning service followed by a carry-in lunch with the Gretzingers after the worship service.

☞ **Women's Social Tuesday, August 13:** All women of the church are invited to a time of fellowship at the church at 3:30 pm on Tuesday, August 13, in order to meet Jenni Gretzinger. Please save the date!

☞ **Missionary Reading and Ice Cream Party:** This party will take place on Saturday, August 10, at 3:30 pm at the church building. Come and share something that you learned or found interesting from the book(s) that you read and enjoy some ice cream together. For all ages. Please bring along your Summer Missions Reading booklet. This event is sponsored by Missions & Evangelism.

☞ **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 a few times each semester with your student(s). Several families in the church have done this in past years. There will be an opportunity to meet the new students on Tuesday, August 13 at 5:30 pm at a Welcome Party Friendship Families will host on the VU campus. It would be great if you could attend. Please call Lucy Hrivnak (219 628-1854) if you are interested or have questions.

Update from Pastoral Search Committee

After much prayer and consideration, the Pastoral Search Committee now has a candidate for our next pastor. His name is Rev. Andrew Gretzinger. Andrew has over 10 years of experience as Assistant and Associate Pastor to PCA churches in Spartanburg, SC and Abington, MD before spending time as a missionary to Northern Ireland. Both Andrew and his wife Jenni grew up in North Central Indiana. After returning from the mission field in Northern Ireland, they have been living with family in Peru, Indiana while seeking God's direction for the next phase of ministry. Since Good Shepherd is one of the closest PCA churches to Peru, the Gretzinger family has been worshiping with us for the past few months.

The Gretzinger family consists of Andrew, his wife Jenni, and 5 children: one daughter, Kathleen, and four sons, Liam, David, Mark, and Ryan.

Andrew received his Masters of Divinity in 2009 from Reformed Theological Seminary in Charlotte, NC and also a Masters of Counseling in 2017 from CCEF School of Biblical Counseling in Philadelphia, PA.

In a few weeks we will have a more formal introduction to the Gretzingers when Andrew and Jenni meet with various groups of the church.

Sunday, 8/11 after church	Schoon Care Group including lunch, devotional led by Andrew
Monday, 8/12, 6:00 pm	Hrivnak Care Group including dinner, devotional led by Andrew
Tuesday, 8/13, 1:00 pm	PM Care Group, devotional led by Andrew
Tuesday, 8/13, 3:30 pm	Andrew meets with the Session
Tuesday, 8/13, 3:30 pm	Social Time with Jenni and the women of the church
Wednesday, 8/14, 4:00 pm	Andrew meets with the Worship Committee
Wednesday, 8/14, 5:30 pm	Stoltzfus Care Group including dinner, devotional led by Andrew
Wednesday, 8/14, 7:30 pm	Andrew meets with the Deacons
Sunday, 8/18, 9:30 am	Adult Sunday School led by Andrew
Sunday, 8/18, 10:30 am	Worship Service with Andrew preaching
Sunday, 8/18 after church	Carry-in Lunch for everyone