

*SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER*  
**MORNING WORSHIP ~ May 5, 2024 ~ 9:30 AM**  
**First Christian Reformed Church, Sioux Center, Iowa**

**WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP**

Prelude

Welcome

\*Hymn of Preparation: **“We Come, O Christ, to You” Grey Psalter Hymnal #238:1,3,4,5**

**GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP**

\*Call to Worship

Pastor: Praise the LORD!  
Praise, O servants of the LORD,

**People: praise the name of the LORD!**

Pastor: Blessed be the name of the LORD  
from this time forth and forevermore!

**People: From the rising of the sun to its setting,  
the name of the LORD is to be praised!**

—Psalm 113:1-3

\*God’s Greeting

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Grace, mercy, and peace are yours, from God the Father Almighty,  
from the Lord Jesus, and from the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen!**

Choral Anthem: *“Holy, Holy, Holy” (LUYH #538)*

Dan Forrest

*(Young children are invited to Children and Worship)*

**GOD RECONCILES US TO HIMSELF**

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

God’s Will for Our Lives

\*Song of Response: **“All I Have is Christ” 3 vs.** (vs. 1,2-Choir; vs. 3-All)

**GOD COMES TO US THROUGH HIS WORD**

Prayer for Illumination

Reading of Scripture: Colossians 1:9-14 (New Testament p. 244)

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

Sermon: **COLOSSIANS—THE SUPREMACY OF CHRIST OVER ALL THINGS:  
RESCUED AND TRANSFERRED TO WALK IN A MANNER WORTHY OF THE LORD**

\*Song of Response: **“Yet Not I but Through Christ in Me” 4 vs.**

**WE RESPOND IN PRAYER AND THANKSGIVING**

Prayers of the People

Choral Offertory: *“Come Find His Rest”*

Erik Dewar/Dan Forrest

Come weary one, leave thy labors; come, lift thy head, see thy Savior and Friend.  
His arms are opened wide; O soul, be satisfied. Come find his rest.  
Take his yoke upon thee, for he is gentle and lowly in heart.  
So learn from Christ the Lord, thy Portion and Reward. Come find his rest.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, Come, weary one, come, weary one, lift thy head.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, “Come unto me and rest; lay down, O weary one, lay down your head upon my breast.”  
I came to Jesus as I was, so weary, worn, and sad; I found in him a resting place, and he has made me glad.

Take his yoke upon thee, for he is gentle and lowly in heart. So learn from Christ the Lord, thy Portion and Reward.  
Come find his rest. “Come unto me and rest. Come.”

Offerings: (1) First CRC Ministry Fund; (2) Christian Education Fund

**GOD SENDS US INTO THE WORLD**

\*Hymn of Dedication: **“We Will Extol You, God and King” LUYH #562:1,2,4 (PFAS 145G)**

\*Sending and Benediction

\*Doxology: **“Glory Be to the Father” LUYH #961**

\*Moment of Meditation

\*Postlude

*\*indicates that those who are able are invited to stand*

Worship Leader: Rev. Kurt Monroe

Organist: Leah Zuidema

Adult Choir directed by Julia Holleman | Accompanist: Isabel Alsum

String Ensemble: Emily & Kaeley Meyer, Hannah Landman, Emily Zuidema

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**EVENING WORSHIP ~ May 5, 2024 ~ 6:00 PM**  
**First Christian Reformed Church, Sioux Center, Iowa**

**WE GATHER TO WORSHIP**

Prelude

\*Welcome

\*Song of Preparation: **“Shout, for the Blessed Jesus Reigns” LUYH #261:1,3,4,5**

\*Call to Worship

Pastor: Praise the LORD!

**People: Praise the LORD, O my soul!**

Pastor: I will praise the LORD as long as I live;

**People: I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.**

Pastor: The LORD will reign forever,  
your God, O Zion, to all generations.

**People: Praise the LORD!**

—Psalm 146:1-2, 10

\*God’s Greeting

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Grace, mercy, and peace are yours, from God the Father Almighty,  
from the Lord Jesus, and from the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen!**

**WE SING GOD’S PRAISE**

Psalm of the Day: Psalm 98

Singing the Psalm: **“Psalm 98 – A Responsorial Setting” PFAS #98B**

Song of Praise: **“My Song Forever Shall Record” LUYH #280:1,3,4,5 (PFAS 89E)**

**WE HEAR GOD’S WORD**

Prayer for Illumination

Reading of Scripture: Romans 13:1-7 (New Testament p. 197)

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

Statement of Faith: Belgic Confession, Article 36 (*What We Believe*, Vol. 2, p. 36)

Sermon: *A FIELD GUIDE TO HERESIES AND FALSE TEACHINGS:*

*ERRORS ABOUT THE RELATION OF CHRISTIANS AND THE CHURCH TO THE STATE*

\*Sermon Response: **“God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand” LUYH #281:1,2,4**

**WE OFFER OURSELVES TO GOD**

Congregational Prayer

Offertory: **“Peace Be Still”**

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*I don’t want to be afraid*

*Every time I face the waves*

*I don’t want to be afraid*

*I don’t want to fear the storm*

*Just because I hear the roar*

*I don’t want to fear the storm*

*I’m not gonna be afraid*

*‘Cause these waves are only waves*

*I’m not gonna be afraid*

*I’m not gonna fear the storm*

*You are greater than it’s roar*

*I’m not gonna fear the storm*

*I’m not gonna fear at all*

Chorus: *Peace be still*

*Say the word and I will*

*Set my feet upon the sea*

*Till I’m dancing in the deep*

*Oh peace be still*

*You are here so it is well*

*Even when my eyes can’t see*

*I will trust the voice that speaks*

Offering: One Body, One Hope

**WE ARE SENT TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD**

\*Hymn of Dedication: **“We Are Called” LUYH #296:1,3**

\*Sending and Benediction

\*Moment of Meditation

\*Postlude

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Worship Leader: Rev. Kurt Monroe

Organist: Jessica Hummel

Reader: Levi Groenewold | Prayer Leader: Lucy Borkowski

Vocalist: Anneke Van Bruggen | Accompanist: Jennifer Monroe