

TENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME
MORNING WORSHIP ~ August 2, 2026 ~ 9:30 AM
First Christian Reformed Church, Sioux Center, Iowa

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

Prelude: *“Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier, BWV 706/ 731 (Holy Jesus, at Your Word)”* Johann Sebastian Bach
“As the Deer” Rien Donkersloot
“All My Hope on God Is Founded” Dick Sanderman

Welcome

*Hymn of Preparation: ***“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise” LUYH #579:1,3,4***

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

*Call to Worship

Pastor: Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised;

People: there is no end to his greatness.

Pastor: One generation shall praise your works to another

People: and shall declare your power.

Pastor: All your works praise you, Lord,

People: and your faithful servants bless you.

Pastor: They make known the glory of your kingdom

People: and speak of your power.

Pastor: We shall sing the praise of the Lord:

People: Let all flesh bless his holy name for ever and ever. —based on Psalm 145:3-4, 10-11, 21

*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!

*Hymn of Praise: ***“Christ Our Hope in Life and Death” The Sing! Hymnal #183:1-3***

GOD RECONCILES US TO HIMSELF

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

God’s Will for Our Lives

*Song of Response: ***“I Will Hide Your Word Inside My Heart” LUYH #761:1-2***

GOD COMES TO US THROUGH HIS WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Reading of Scripture: Romans 6:15-23 (New Testament p. 190)

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon: *PRESENT YOUR MEMBERS AS SLAVES TO RIGHTEOUSNESS FOR SANCTIFICATION*

*Song of Response: ***“Father, Long Before Creation” LUYH #687:1,3,4***

WE RESPOND IN PRAYER AND THANKSGIVING

Prayers of the People

Offertory: *“We Shall Overcome”*

Adolphus Hailstork

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

GOD SENDS US INTO THE WORLD

*Hymn of Dedication: ***“For Freedom Christ Has Set Us Free” LUYH #679:1-2***

*Sending and Benediction

Youth Group Mission Trip Report

*Doxology: ***“For Freedom Christ Has Set Us Free” LUYH #679:3***

*Postlude: *“I Will Wait”*

Marcus Mumford

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

Worship Leader: Rev. Kurt Monroe
Organist: Leendert van Beek

EVENING WORSHIP ~ August 2, 2026 ~ 6:00 PM
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WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude

Welcome

*Song of Preparation: **“How Lovely, Lord, How Lovely” PFAS #84C:1-3 (LUYH 46)**

*Call to Worship

Pastor: How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts!

My soul longs, indeed it faints for the courts of the LORD;

People: my heart and my flesh sing for joy to the living God.

Pastor: For the LORD God is a sun and shield; he bestows favor and honor.

No good thing does the LORD withhold from those who walk uprightly.

People: O LORD of hosts, happy is everyone who trusts in you. —based on Psalm 84:1-2, 11-12

*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 17 (Old Testament p. 610)

Singing the Psalm: **“LORD, Listen to My Righteous Plea” Grey Psalter Hymnal #17:1-3,5**

Song of Praise: **“Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying” LUYH #896 (Sing twice)**

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Reading of Scripture: Matthew 16:13-20 (New Testament p. 22)

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Statement of Faith: Heidelberg Catechism Lord’s Day 31 (*What We Believe Vol. 1, p. 50*)

Sermon: *THE KEYS OF THE KINGDOM*

*Sermon Response: **“Lord, Speak to Me that I May Speak” LUYH #754:1,2,5**

WE OFFER OURSELVES TO GOD

Congregational Prayer

Offertory: **“Come, Ye Disconsolate”**

Dan Kreider

Come, ye disconsolate, ye heavy laden,

Come to the mercy seat and humbly kneel.

Bring Him your wounded hearts; bring Him your anguish;

Earth has no sorrow that heaven cannot heal.

Joy of the desolate, light of the straying,

Hope of the hopeless heart, changeless and pure!

Voice of the Comforter, in mercy saying,

“Earth has no sorrow that heaven cannot cure.”

Come see the Bread of Life; see waters flowing;

All once mysterious shall be revealed.

Come to the feast of love; come, ever-knowing

Earth has no sorrow that heaven cannot heal.

Offering: Family Crisis Centers

WE ARE SENT TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD

*Hymn of Dedication: **“Your Name” LUYH #375:1-2**

*Sending and Benediction

*Moment of Meditation

*Postlude

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

Worship Leader: Rev. Kurt Monroe

Organist: Jessica Hummel | Pianist: Abby Finley

Reader: Amy Vander Berg

Prayer Leader: Katherine Fulkerson

Vocalist: Millie Brommer | Accompanist: Jennifer Monroe

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