

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER
MORNING WORSHIP ~ April 11, 2021 ~ 9:30 AM
First Christian Reformed Church, Sioux Center, Iowa

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

Prelude: *“Christ, the Lord, Is Risen Again (tune: STRAF MICH NICHT)”*

Jan Bonefaas

Welcome

*Hymn of Preparation: ***“This Joyful Eastertide” LUYH #202:1-3***

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

*Call to Worship

Pastor: Christ is risen from the dead.

People: Alleluia!

Pastor: We know that since Christ was raised from the dead,
he cannot die again; death no longer has mastery over him.

People: **The death he died, he died to sin once for all;
but the life he lives, he lives to God.**

Based on Romans 6:9-10

*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!

*Hymn of Praise: ***“See, What a Morning” LUYH #181:1-3***

GOD RECONCILES US TO HIMSELF

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

God's Will for Our Lives

*Song of Response: ***“Christian Hearts in Love United” LUYH #727:1-3***

GOD COMES TO US THROUGH HIS WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Reading of Scripture: Mark 3:1-6 (New Testament p.45)

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon: *THE GOSPEL OF MARK: INTO THE MIDDLE WITH JESUS*

*Song of Response: ***“Jesus Heard with Deep Compassion” LUYH #127:1-3***

WE RESPOND IN PRAYER AND THANKSGIVING

Prayers of the People

GOD SENDS US INTO THE WORLD

*Hymn of Dedication: ***“Alleluia! Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven” LUYH #179:1,2,4***

*Sending and Benediction

*Postlude: *“Te Deum (Op. 59, No. 12)”*

Max Reger

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

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EVENING WORSHIP ~ April 11, 2021 ~ 6:00 PM
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WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude: "Come Christians Join to Sing"
"Christians We Have Met to Worship"
"How Deep the Father's Love for Us"
"You Are My King (Amazing Love)"

Mark Hayes
Mark Hayes
Carol Tornquist
Carol Tornquist

Welcome

*Song of Preparation: "**Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven**" LUYH #571:1-3 (PFAS #103F)

*Call to Worship

Pastor: I will sing of your steadfast love, O Lord, forever;

People: with my mouth I will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations.

Pastor: I declare that your steadfast love is established forever;

People: your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.

Pastor: You said, "I have made a covenant with my chosen one,
I have sworn to my servant David:
'I will establish your descendants forever,
and build your throne for all generations.'"

People: Praise the Lord!

Psalm 89:1-4

*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 133

Singing the Psalm: "**How Very Good and Pleasant**" PFAS #133C (sing twice)

Songs of Praise: "**By Grace We Have Been Saved**" LUYH #675:1-3
"**Lord God Almighty**" SANC #9:1-3

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Reading of Scripture: Romans 1:16-17 (New Testament p. 184)

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Statement of Faith: Belgic Confession, Article 22 (*What We Believe* Vol. 2, p. 21)

Confessional Sermon: *THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF FAITH*

*Sermon Response: "**By Faith**" vs. 1-5

WE LIFT OUR VOICES TO GOD

Ministry of Music: "*My Heart is Filled with Thankfulness*"

My heart is filled with thankfulness
To Him who bore my pain;
Who plumbed the depths of my disgrace
And gave me life again;
Who crushed my curse of sinfulness
And clothed me in His light
And wrote His law of righteousness
With pow'r upon my heart.

My heart is filled with thankfulness
To Him who reigns above,
Whose wisdom is my perfect peace,
Whose ev'ry thought is love.
For ev'ry day I have on earth
Is given by the King;
So I will give my life, my all,
To love and follow Him.

My heart is filled with thankfulness
To Him who walks beside;
Who floods my weaknesses with strength
And causes fears to fly;
Whose ev'ry promise is enough
For ev'ry step I take,
Sustaining me with arms of love
And crowning me with grace.

Congregational Prayer

WE ARE SENT TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD

*Hymn of Dedication: "**How Great Thou Art**" LUYH #553:1,3,4

*Sending and Benediction

*Postlude: "*Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain*"

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Worship Leader: Rev. Kurt Monroe | Organist: Ellen Klompien | Pianist: Jennifer Monroe
Vocalists: Leah, Lindsey & Emily Zuidema; Amy & Kryn Vander Berg; Jennifer & Ana Monroe
Reader: Leah Zuidema | Prayer Leader: Barb Eekhoff

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