



GOD IN OUR MIDST



CHRIST
CHURCH



Welcome to worship at Christ Church!

Our aim is to enjoy the goodness of our triune God in fellowship within the community he has formed, lifting our hearts as an offering to the Lord using the varied and unique gifts of this local congregation. We await his transformative word in our lives.

We are glad that you have joined us.

Small children are part of our community as well, wiggles and whispers and all. We are very happy to be part of this very important stage in their lives — learning to worship together in the community of believers. If you would like a quiet space to care for your baby, you are welcome to use the nursery or room 102.

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Pastor Andrew VanderMaas

Moment of silent meditation Luke 1:49

...he who is mighty has done great things for me,
and holy is his name.

G O D C A L L S U S T O W O R S H I P



Call to worship based on Psalm 105:1-2; Romans 5:5; Revelation 4:8

Elder John Streefkerk

Elder The love of God has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit
 who has been given to us:

All we dwell in him and he in us.

Elder Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name;

All make known his deeds among the peoples.

Elder Sing to him, sing praises to him

All and speak of all his marvelous works.

Elder Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God almighty,

All who was and is and is to come!

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**** Holy Is the Lord, God Almighty***

We stand and lift up our hands
For the joy of the Lord is our strength
We bow down and worship Him now
How great, how awesome is He
And together we sing

Holy is the Lord, God Almighty
The earth is filled with His glory
Holy is the Lord, God Almighty
The earth is filled with His glory
The earth is filled with His glory



*** Prayer of adoration**

GOD CALLS US TO RENEWAL

Call to confession

Romans 11:33-36

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!

“For who has known the mind of the Lord,
or who has been his counselor?”

“Or who has given a gift to him
that he might be repaid?”

For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.



Prayer of confession

Declaration of forgiveness

Galatians 3:13-14

Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us—for it is written, “Cursed is everyone who is hanged on a tree”— so that in Christ Jesus the blessing of Abraham might come to the Gentiles, so that we might receive the promised Spirit through faith.

Christ Kids Worship is not meeting today and will return next week.

Worship bags for young kids are available in the foyer and you can go get one now if you haven't already.



* Justice Will Roll Down

text & music, Sandra McCracken



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|-------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. Oh my love, | you have grown so cold |
| 2. Oh my child, | I will be your light |
| 3. Soon, oh soon, | when the trum - pet sounds, |



to the world out - side,
in your se - cret pain,
ev - 'ry knee will bend,

to the house next door.
in the dark of night.
ev - 'ry heart will pound.



♪ She who has been loved _____ much ♪ ♪ has so much to give,
No en - e - my, no con - quer - or ♪ will steal your life from me,
♪ I have made a new _____ world where the ser - vant is the King,



♪ mer - cy is the fra - grance of the bro - ken.
♪ I am your sal - va - tion, _____ and your vic - to - ry.
op-pres-sion will be o - ver _____ and the slave set free.



Jus - tice will roll down, _____ oh jus - tice will roll down,



_____ from high up-on _____ those moun - tains with a might - y riv - er sound,



_____ it will roll down, _____ it will roll down. _____

GOD'S WORD GIVEN TO US



* Scripture reading

Exodus 22:1-9, 21-31, 23:1-2

¹ “If a man steals an ox or a sheep, and kills it or sells it, he shall repay five oxen for an ox, and four sheep for a sheep. ² If a thief is found breaking in and is struck so that he dies, there shall be no bloodguilt for him, ³ but if the sun has risen on him, there shall be bloodguilt for him. He shall surely pay. If he has nothing, then he shall be sold for his theft. ⁴ If the stolen beast is found alive in his possession, whether it is an ox or a donkey or a sheep, he shall pay double.

⁵ “If a man causes a field or vineyard to be grazed over, or lets his beast loose and it feeds in another man’s field, he shall make restitution from the best in his own field and in his own vineyard.

⁶ “If fire breaks out and catches in thorns so that the stacked grain or the standing grain or the field is consumed, he who started the fire shall make full restitution.

⁷ “If a man gives to his neighbor money or goods to keep safe, and it is stolen from the man’s house, then, if the thief is found, he shall pay double. ⁸ If the thief is not found, the owner of the house shall come near to God to show whether or not he has put his hand to his neighbor’s property. ⁹ For every breach of trust, whether it is for an ox, for a donkey, for a sheep, for a cloak, or for any kind of lost thing, of which one says, ‘This is it,’ the case of both parties shall come before God. The one whom God condemns shall pay double to his neighbor.

²¹ “You shall not wrong a sojourner or oppress him, for you were sojourners in the land of Egypt. ²² You shall

not mistreat any widow or fatherless child. ²³ If you do mistreat them, and they cry out to me, I will surely hear their cry, ²⁴ and my wrath will burn, and I will kill you with the sword, and your wives shall become widows and your children fatherless.

²⁵ “If you lend money to any of my people with you who is poor, you shall not be like a moneylender to him, and you shall not exact interest from him. ²⁶ If ever you take your neighbor’s cloak in pledge, you shall return it to him before the sun goes down, ²⁷ for that is his only covering, and it is his cloak for his body; in what else shall he sleep? And if he cries to me, I will hear, for I am compassionate.

²⁸ “You shall not revile God, nor curse a ruler of your people.

²⁹ “You shall not delay to offer from the fullness of your harvest and from the outflow of your presses. The first-born of your sons you shall give to me. ³⁰ You shall do the same with your oxen and with your sheep: seven days it shall be with its mother; on the eighth day you shall give it to me.

³¹ “You shall be consecrated to me. Therefore you shall not eat any flesh that is torn by beasts in the field; you shall throw it to the dogs.

^{23:1} “You shall not spread a false report. You shall not join hands with a wicked man to be a malicious witness. ² You shall not fall in with the many to do evil, nor shall you bear witness in a lawsuit, siding with the many, so as to pervert justice,

Reader: The Word of the Lord
All: Thanks be to God!



* Prayer



Sermon

A Vision for Society

Pastor Andrew VanderMaas

A World to Live in ...

Principles to Guide ...

A Relationship to Cherish.

DEDICATING OURSELVES TO GOD

If you have a child in the nursery, please pick him or her up at this time to join us for the remainder of the service.



* *Blest Be the Tie That Binds*

Trinity Hymnal 359

Capo 3: ♮

(D) (A⁷) (D) ♮ (G) (D) (A)

1. Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Chris - tian love;
 2. Be - fore the Fa - ther's throne we pour our ar - dent prayers;
 3. We share our mu - tual woes, our mu - tual bur - dens bear,
 4. When we a - sun - der part, it gives us in - ward pain;

(A⁷) (D) (A) (D) ♮ (G) (D) (G) (D/A) (A⁷) (D) ♮

the fel - low - ship of kin - dred minds is like to that a - bove.
 our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our com - forts and our cares.
 and of - ten for each oth - er flows the sym - pa - thiz - ing tear.
 but we shall still be joined in heart, and hope to meet a - gain.

5. This glorious hope revives
 our courage by the way,
 while each in expectation lives,
 and longs to see the day.

6. From sorrow, toil and pain,
 and sin, we shall be free;
 and perfect love and friendship reign
 through all eternity.



Invitation to the Lord's Table

Onsite service: *If you need an all-in-one serving of bread & juice for the celebration of the Lord's Supper please alert the elder.*



Prayers of the People



Tithes & Offerings Give online at christchurchgr.org or by texting (616) 208-2820
Today being the first Sunday of the month we also remember the deacon's fund.

Offertory



* *Doxology*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him, all creatures here below
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* **Benediction** Hebrews 13:20–21

Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen

* **Postlude**

WORSHIP MUSICIANS

Onsite & Online

Craig Kooienga, song leader & guitar
Susan Guerra, piano
Mark Lundell, bass
John Bratt, drums

Online

Milagro Guerra (*This Is My Father's World*)
Jonathan Fradette, Judah Guerra, Isaac Lundell,
Jack Luymes, Benjamin Scofield (*Holy, Holy, Holy*)
Scofield family (*Doxology*)

Life of the church

Today is Deacon Fund Sunday. Take this opportunity to serve those in need. This offering, beyond your regular tithe, should be marked for the Deacon Fund.

Moving Inside. Beginning July 18 we will move our 10:30 service inside. In meeting outside we've wanted to provide an opportunity for the majority of our congregation to transition to worshiping in person. We'll now use the weeks after July 18 to transition to the fall and our plans to bring back many of the things that have been suspended during these many months. If your situation still presents challenges your elders would love to hear from you to see how we can aid.

Administrative Assistant: Christ Church is seeking a part-time administrative assistant (20-24 hrs/week) for the office to support the ministry of the church. To learn more about position requirements and the application process, contact Jim Visser, Executive Director, at jimvisser@christchurchgr.org or 616-366-4228.

An open house celebrating the life Ron Christensen will be held July 17 from 12-2 at 3468 Goodwood Drive SE, Grand Rapids.

Music room work day. Let Susan know if you could help her with some projects this Tuesday, July 6 anytime between 9am & 5pm or Friday, July 9, 9am-noon. Thanks!

Together in Prayer.

All ages are invited to pray, listen, be prayed over, or to share praises, laments and requests. It's a safe group and there is a place for you. Any questions contact Susan Guerra.

Summer schedule: Wednesdays, 7-8pm

July 7, 14 - pray via Zoom.

Get link by clicking on praying hands slide on website.

July 21 - pray in person at Christ Church

July 28, August, 4, 11 - pray via Zoom.

August 18 - pray in person at Christ Church

August 25, September 1 - pray via Zoom

Our next **Senior (55+) luncheon will be on Tuesday, July 13th at noon.** We will plan to do brown bag lunch at the church under the pines. Bring your lawn chairs and cookies and beverage provided. Pastor Addison will be bringing our devotion that day.

Passion for Painting?? We would love to update a few of our older classrooms with a fresh coat of paint before fall to go along with our amazing new addition. If you, you and some of your friends or your C-group would like to commit to painting one room this summer, that would be amazing! There are potentially 3 classrooms and one small bathroom that need to be painted. Colors have already been chosen. You can choose your own time to do it this summer. Contact Lisa VanderMaas 616-303-0906 if interested! (one finished as of this week, two to go!)

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Parents, if you are joining us for worship onsite, your infants (6 mos and older) and toddlers up to age 3 are welcome each week in our nursery during the 8:30 and 10:30 services. Please continue to RSVP by Friday each week. Contact Debbie with questions about current protocols. debbiebuko@christchurchgr.org

YOUTH

Jr High

Cedar Bay Team: We leave one week from tomorrow (Monday) for our mission trip. Check email for details

COLLEGE AGE

Pool Party - July 10th - Grab your goggles & join us for a cookout by the pool on Saturday, July 10th from 5:00 pm -10:00 pm. We'll swim, roast hot dogs and s'mores, and enjoy some time together by the Lammers' pool: 591 St. Andrews Court SE Grand Rapids, Michigan 49546. Email adrienne.lambers3@gmail.com with any questions. Hope to see you there!

MEN'S MINISTRY

Bible Studies

Mon, 7pm - Hebrews Study
Jerry Stutzman will lead the discussion.

Wed, 6:30am - Gospel of John
contact Bob at lafleur1@comcast.net
or 616-988-9285

Fellowship Breakfasts

Tuesdays, 8:30 am
Russ' Restaurant, 2750 28th St
Contact Linn Peterson

Wednesdays, 8:00 am
Rainbow Grill, 4158 Chicago Dr
Contact Dick Malone

Join the Golf League! 5pm Thursdays at Indian Trails. Contact John at 919-451-8123 or brattjh@live.com.

Trail & Ale is back! Sunday, July 18th at 3pm.
Gather for a brisk 4 or 5 mile walk then adjourn to a local watering hole for food and refreshments. Details to follow. For questions, contact gregmeibeyer@christchurchgr.org.

WOMEN’S DISCIPLESHIP

Tuesday morning Bible study group will be discussing the Holy Spirit this summer. Join us from 10-11:30 at church. For a tentative outline, contact Anthoinette Bom.

Summer Psalm Study

Thursday evening July 15 (Psalm 16) and August 12 (Psalm 85). We’ll meet at church at 7:00. Snacks & drinks provided. Your only preparation is to read through the Psalm a few times. All women high school and up are invited.

Hope and Hygiene Drive to support Grace’s Table in the month of July. Check your mail-boxes for a postcard with a list of what is needed. Donations will be collected the first 3 Sundays in July, and brought to Grace’s Table to be distributed to the mamas.

Save the Date for our annual Lake Night Event! Wednesday, August 18th at the Den Dulks. More information to come.

New to Christ Church? Looking for ways to connect with women of the church? Join Christ Church GR Women’s Discipleship on Facebook.

Financial Report

	ACTUAL	BUDGET
January - May Receipts	\$405,584	\$ 436,604
January - May Expenses	\$397,027	\$ 425,672
January - May Over (Under)	\$ 8,557	\$ 10,932
Tithes and Offerings		
June 6	\$ 24,695	
June 13	\$ 48,388	
June 20	\$ 14,703	
June 27	\$ 19,782	
June Total Tithes & Offerings	\$ 107,568	\$ 82,125
EXTENDING COMMUNITY ENABLING MISSION CAMPAIGN		
Total Commitments	\$1,720,552	
Campaign Funds Received	\$1,162,473	



CHRIST CHURCH

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Worship Onsite Sunday mornings at 8:30 in the sanctuary, 10:30 outside as weather permits

Summer office hours: Wednesdays & Fridays 9:00-3:00pm

PRAYER REQUESTS: please submit by 7:30pm Tuesday to prayer@christchurchgr.org

ANNOUNCEMENTS: please submit by 7:30pm Wednesday to announcements@christchurchgr.org

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