



COMMUNITY

— PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH —

Him We Proclaim.

*To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;
to all who mourn and long for comfort;
to all who struggle and desire victory;
to all who sin and need a Savior;
to all who are strangers and want fellowship;
to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;
and to whoever will come--
this church opens wide her doors and offers
her welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.*

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MORNING WORSHIP - 10AM

Pastor Cruse leading, Dr. Joel Beeke preaching in worship

Prelude

Preparatory Thought:

Heidelberg Catechism Q and A 31. Why is he called "Christ," meaning "anointed"? Because he has been ordained by God the Father and has been anointed with the Holy Spirit to be our chief prophet and teacher who fully reveals to us the secret counsel and will of God concerning our deliverance; our only high priest who has delivered us by the one sacrifice of his body, and who continually pleads our cause with the Father; and our eternal king who governs us by his Word and Spirit, and who guards us and keeps us in the freedom he has won for us.

Welcome and Announcements

GOD CALLS US

* Call to Worship: Psalm 145:3-4

* Invocation

Minister: Our help is in the name of the LORD,

People: Who made heaven and earth! (Psalm 124:8)

Minister: Let us pray...

* God's Greeting

* The Doxology

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* Psalm of Praise: 145C, *I Will Extol You, O My God*

GOD CLEANSSES US

Reading of God's Law

Silent Prayer followed by Corporate Confession

Most gracious and merciful God, who is of purer eyes than to look upon sin, but who has promised mercy and forgiveness to all who confess and forsake their sin, we come before you with a humble sense of our own unworthiness, acknowledging our many transgressions of your holy and just laws. We appeal to you for you take no pleasure in the death of the wicked, you desire that none should perish, you long that all should turn from their evil ways and live. Have mercy upon us and forgive the sins of all who turn to you this day, forsaking the way of pride and bowing humbly before the cross of Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Declaration of Pardon: 1 Timothy 1:15

Acclamation of Praise: 1 Timothy 1:16-17

"But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen."

* Hymn of Assurance: 382, *How Great the Bright Angelic Host*

GOD CONSECRATES US

Congregational Prayer

Our Father Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy Name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Giving of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

We are accepting gifts designated for "Thank Offering" to support the denomination's foreign missions, home missions, and Christian education endeavors.

* Psalm of Preparation: 63B, *O Lord, My God, Most Earnestly*

* Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading: Luke 22:24-34

Sermon: *How Christ Meets All Our Needs*

Prayer of Application

* Hymn of Response: 300, *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*

GOD COMMISSIONS US

* Benediction

* Dismissal and Postlude

SERMON NOTES

SERMON HELPS - AM SERVICE

Parents, be sure to discuss these questions at home with our young worshipers.

1. What is the title and Bible text of the sermon?

2. Christ meets all our needs...

1. As prophetic admonisher

2. As priestly intercessor

3. As kingly commissioner

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GREATEST	X	J	Z	R	T	N	E	S	C	S
ISRAEL	B	I	W	H	E	A	T	R	I	P
LEADER	J	J	X	L	T	E	O	M	B	Q
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WHEAT										



EVENING WORSHIP - 6PM

Rev. Boekestein leading and preaching in worship

Prelude

Preparatory Thought:

"Never be afraid to trust an unknown future to a known God." - Corrie Ten Boom

Welcome & Announcements

* Call to Worship: Proverbs 3:5-8

* Invocation

* God's Greeting

* Gloria Patri (572)

**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.**

* Hymn of Praise: 475, *Who Trusts in God, a Strong Abode*

* Confession of Faith: The Apostles' Creed (851)

Responsive Reading: Psalm 6

Corresponding Psalm: 7, *O Lord My God, in You I Refuge Seek*
(sing to alternate tune: TOULON)

Congregational Prayer

Giving of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

* Hymn of Preparation: 496, *My Jesus I Love Thee*

* Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading: Psalm 146

Sermon: *Who Can I Trust?*

* Psalm of Response: 146, *Praise the Lord! My Soul, O Praise Him*

* Benediction & Dismissal

PRAYER REQUESTS

Do you have item of prayer or praise you would like to share with our church family via the bulletin? If so, send them to Pastor Jonathan at jcruse@kalamazoocpc.org, or fill out the prayer card found in the pew rack.

Our Church

- The weekly pulpit ministry: that Christ would be proclaimed as our only comfort in life and in death. For the leadership of CPC: that they may be granted humility, wisdom, and love in the task given to them. Our witness to the community: that we might bring more people in who do not know Christ, and be a light in this dark world. The effectiveness and growth of our regular ministries (prayer group, Bible studies, Sunday School, etc).
- For our families: for strong marriages, wisdom in parenting, peace in the home, growth in holiness.
- For Elisabeth Schumaker's dad, Chad Kruizenga, who was recently diagnosed with a slight tumor growth in an area of his brain where he has previously had surgery. The growth is small and radiation, not surgery, is the recommended approach. Pray for him as he meets with an oncologist in the weeks ahead.
- Praise God for Doug Nadeau's new job! Ask that the Lord will watch over him and his family as he has to be away in Gary, Indiana for two and a half weeks training.
- For Ben Post's and Erin Ackley's engagement.
- For Perry Westerman's brother, Rick, who was recently diagnosed with terminal brain cancer.
- For Tim Bero's brother, Jim, who has non-hodgkins lymphoma.
- That God would strengthen our volunteers for Kid's Hope as they go into Woodward Elementary School and form relationships.
- Our sister Fran Mejeur, shut-in and declining with dementia.

The Wider Church

- Providence OPC, Southfield, MI. Pastor Jeff Wilson (Heidi).
- Charles and Connie Jackson, serving in Mbale, Uganda. Pray for Charles's teaching as he equips pastors in Uganda.
- For our missionary families: The Westervelds in Quebec, the Hopps in Haiti, the Johnsons in Thailand, the Jeromins in South America, and the Boris family in Kazakhstan.
- For our Christian brothers and sisters facing persecution around the world: Eritrea, North Korea, Iraq, Iran, Egypt, China, India, Pakistan, Myanmar, Nigeria, and many other countries.

The World

- For our brothers and sisters in California displaced and in danger from the recent wild fires.
- For the caravan of South American migrants, now facing conflict in Tijuana.
- For civility in our country's political discourse, and that justice and truth would win out in our political and governmental systems.
- Our President and all other elected officials.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Welcome to our visitors! We are so pleased to have you with us and hope you are refreshed and encouraged by the good news of the gospel.
- This morning **we welcome Dr. Joel Beeke** to preach for us. Dr. Beeke is president of PRTS, pastor of the Heritage Reformed Congregation in Grand Rapids, and author of over 100 books on church history, Christian living, and theology. **You are all encouraged to stay after Coffeetime as he shares with us briefly on Christian worship in the home.**
- This evening we are participating in a **pulpit exchange** with Immanuel Fellowship Church. We thank **Pastor Bill Boekestein** for bringing the message to us.
- Children's Sunday School is suspended today for the holiday weekend. Please stay for Dr. Beeke's presentation on family worship!
- Our hymn sing is postponed until December 16th before evening service.
- There is no prayer meeting Wednesday.
- **Will you commit to inviting a friend, co-worker, neighbor, or relative someone to our Christmas fellowship meal on December 9th?** This will kick off our advent series "Home for Christmas." We will explore how only the gospel fulfills our deepest longings for home. Every year thousands of un-churched people will be open to accepting an invitation to worship around Christmas. **Please use the insert as an invitation card.**
- **Save the Date: Our annual congregational and corporation meeting is scheduled for Wednesday night, December 12th, at 7pm.**
- Women: A **bridal shower** for Erin Ackley is being held at the church on Monday, December 3rd. Please see Renee Bil with any questions.
- We are looking for one or two people to serve on a **newly formed Committee on Outreach and Evangelism**. We want to be intentional about maintaining contacts in the surrounding city the whole year. Do you have a desire for outreach? Do you have a passion for getting to know our neighbors and bringing them into the church? If so, then this committee might be a great way for you to serve! **Interested or questions? See Pastor Cruse or Elder Jackson.**
- **Save the Date:** The annual Holiday Open House given at Second CRC is scheduled for Monday, Dec. 3 from 6:00-9:00 PM. There will be a variety of vendors for your holiday shopping needs and a silent auction. Call Becky Gernaat at 344-5630 with any questions. Proceeds benefit Reformed Heritage Christian School.

LORD'S DAY

10:00 A.M.	Morning Worship
11:15 A.M.	Coffeetime
11:30 A.M.	Sunday School
6:00 P.M.	Evening Worship

NOV. BIRTHDAYS

1 Elena Taylor
 13 David Post
 15 Jacob Schumaker
 15 Hanley Anniversary
 16 Jim Post
 20 Kevin Collison
 26 J. Post Anniversary

	11/25	12/2/18	12/9/18	12/16/18
Nursery AM:	Cheryl P.	Ronnie C. & Carien	Renee B.	Sarah G. & Cecile
Nursery PM:	Kelly Y.	Bethany P.	Michal M.	Mary A.
Coffee Time:	MacQuarrie	Marcotte	Fellowship Meal	McElvain

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