

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

January 14, 2018 10 AM 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany

**ENTER INTO HIS PRESENCE: GOD AWAITS US!**

Prelude "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"  
arr. Hal Hopson

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Opening Scripture Isaiah 60: 1 – 3  
Prayer

\*All Sing "Be Still, for the Presence"  
*Lift Up Your Hearts 532: 1 – 3*

"The King of Glory Comes"  
Psalter Hymnal 370: 1, 2, 4

\*Welcome

\*God's Greeting

\*Greet One Another

\*All Sing "Jesus Christ Is with Us"  
*Lift Up Your Hearts 600: 1 – 3*

"Lord, Be Glorified"  
Sing! a New Creation 43: 1 – 4

**HUMBLE OURSELVES BEFORE HIM:  
GOD ACCEPTS US!**

Call to Confession based on John 3: 19

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Salvation 1 Timothy 1:15; 2:5-6; 3:16

\*All Sing "At the Name of Jesus"  
*Lift Up Your Hearts 220: 1, 2, 5, 6*

[Children and parents come forward during last stanza of  
this song for Children's blessing]

**Children's Worship Blessing**

Leader: People of God, what is our prayer for  
these children?

**People: May the Lord be with you as you learn of  
Jesus and his love.**

Children: And also with you.

**People: May the word of the Lord grow in your  
hearts.**

Children: Thanks be to God.

**People: Go in peace.**

[Children ages four through First Grade dismissed for  
Praise and Play, & Children in Worship]

**Concerns of our Church Family**

Congregational Prayer

**OFFER OUR THANKSGIVING: GOD BLESSES US!**

Offering Ministry and Christian Education Funds

Offertory "Open Our Eyes, Lord" arr. Carol Tornquist

**OPENING HIS WORD: GOD SPEAKS TO US!**

All Sing "Open Our Eyes, Lord"  
Sing! a New Creation 80: 1 – 2

Scripture John 1: 43 – 51 (p. 1648)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon **Seeing Is Believing**

Prayer

\*All Sing "Open the Eyes of My Heart"  
*Lift Up Your Hearts 537*

**GO BOLDLY AND SERVE:  
GOD IS ALWAYS WITH US!**

\*Invitation

\*God's Parting Blessing

**People: Amen.**

\*All Sing "Song of Hope"  
*Lift Up Your Hearts 941: 1 – 2*

\*Postlude "Rondeau" Jean Joseph Moureau

(\*stand, if you are able)

Minister Rev. Steve De Vries  
Organist/Pianist Annelie Dekker  
Saxophone Calvin Van Zytveld  
Drums David Exoo  
Scripture Reader Olga Leder

**SERMON OUTLINE**

**Seeing Is Believing**

**John 1:43-51**

**Intro:** Antiques Roadshow

**1. Nathanael sees Jesus**

- a. First impression
- b. Invitation (not persuasion)

**2. Jesus sees Nathanael**

- a. "An Israelite without deceit"
- b. Sitting under a fig tree

**3. Nathanael sees Jesus**

- a. Profession of faith
- b. View of the future

**Conclusion:** Jesus Roadshow

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### WORSHIP

January 14, 2018

Good morning and welcome to Plymouth Heights Christian Reformed Church! Today Pastor De Vries will lead the morning service preaching on John 1:43-51, **Seeing Is Believing**. Pastor Albers will lead the afternoon service with a meditation on the Psalm 91, **Refuge and Rest**.

Next week Sunday is Communion Sunday. Pastor De Vries will lead both services. In the morning he'll preach on Mark 1:14-20, **Fishers of Men**. In the afternoon service his mediation will be on Psalm 27, **Face Time**.

**Giving at Plymouth:** Plymouth Heights encourages members and regular attenders to follow the Biblical model of giving cheerfully (2 Cor. 9:7), consistently (1 Cor. 16:2) and sacrificially (Ps. 4:5). Contributing to the work of the church is both a renunciation of greed as an idol and an acknowledgement that all we have has been given to us by God and is meant to be used for his purposes (Matt. 25:14-30). Giving is an expression of grateful worship in response to all God has done for us. It's our prayer that God blesses us all with the gift of generosity!

### BANNERS

In the season of Epiphany we celebrate the revelation of Jesus Christ the light of the world associated with the star and visit of the Magi. It's a time to grow and better understand the ministry and teachings of Jesus, the Son of God. There is a strong missional theme to Epiphany too. The manifestation of Christ to the three kings is a symbol of Jesus' revelation to the Gentile world.

The Liturgical color for Epiphany is green which represents new life, hope and growth. Each banner has a white panel representing Jesus Christ who is at the center of our faith and growth. The less discernable wedge shape panel on each banner

represents roots (our roots of faith) growing deep into the knowledge and likeness of Jesus' ministry and teachings.

### TITHING OPPORTUNITIES

January 14, 2018 AM: Ministry/Christian Education Funds

January 14, 2018 PM: Partners Worldwide

January 21, 2018 AM: Ministry/Christian Education Funds

January 21, 2018 PM: ACCESS of West Michigan

*Online Giving* available at [phcrc.org](http://phcrc.org)

### YOUTH AND EDUCATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Discovery Hour:** We will resume Discovery Hour on Sunday, February 4.

**Breakaway:** Our first gathering of the New Year is tonight from 5:30pm - 7:30pm in the Youth Room. Please, everyone, bring a 2-liter of pop.

**Lifeline:** Our next gathering will be next from 5:30pm - 7:30pm in the Youth Room.

### CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

**My family and I** would like to say thank you for all of the prayers, well-wishes and many cards that we received during these last few months. We are truly blessed to be a part of this family of God. We have felt your support each step of the way. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts.  
John, Karen, Lys and Zach Lundell

**Thank you** for the poinsettia and cards I received over the holiday. I really appreciated them.  
Vivian Veldkamp

**Thank you** Plymouth Heights congregation for the beautiful cards and poinsettia I received over the holidays.  
Jan Krombeen

**Most heartfelt** thanks for the cards and poinsettia from friends at Plymouth Heights. And for my deacon visit I appreciated so much.  
Lillian De Boer

**Address and Phone** number for Nancy Van Lopik: 2121 Raybrook St SE, DeVos 328, Grand Rapids, MI 49546. (616)940-0018.

**Bassinet Blessings:** To help welcome Henry Justin VanDenHeuvel to our church family, we have the opportunity to give a small wrapped anonymous gift to him and his family. The bassinet will be out through February 4. Blessings abound!

### OUTSIDE ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Kigali International Community School (KICS)**, in Kigali, Rwanda is a U.S. accredited, Christ-Centered, PreK-12 school in the heart of Africa with a student body from 26 nations. We currently have openings for the 2018-2019 year in both primary and secondary. If you or someone you know is an educator interested in a one of a kind experience living and serving abroad, please check out the website, [www.kicsrw.org](http://www.kicsrw.org) or feel free to email missionaries serving there, Marc and Gretchen Driesenga at [gdriesenga@kicsrw.org](mailto:gdriesenga@kicsrw.org).

**Eastminster Preschool** (1700 Woodward Ave, SE) is having an Open House for the 2018-19 school year on Tuesday, January 23 from 6:30pm-7:30pm. Come meet the teachers and see what Eastminster has to offer! Questions? call Wendy Zwiers at 247-0433.

**IF: Gathering** women's retreat is coming again on February 9-10 and there are two different ways to join us this year! Attend the larger group at Grand Rapids Christian Administration building on Friday evening and Saturday OR let us equip you with everything needed to host a small group in your home! Details and registration: <http://register.ifgathering.com/event/ifgrand-rapids-sen> or see Kelly Buist.

**Save the Date: Volunteers In Service (VIS)** will be holding a FUNdraiser the evening of Thursday, March 8, at Brookside CRC. This family-friendly event will have food, auction, and entertainment by RiverCity Improv and local pastors. You are invited to join in the fun while supporting VIS. Stay tuned for more details. Questions please contact Amy Zwiép at [azwiep@visgr.org](mailto:azwiep@visgr.org) or call at 459-7500.

### **Sunday January 14, 2018**

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8:45AM Sanctuary Choir

10:00AM Morning Worship Service

**Usher:** Steve Penning, Dave Veen

**Prayer Servants:** Fae Diepstra, Ralph Honderd

**Nursery:** Susan Post, Vicki DeVries, Wendy Brummel, Nathan Leder

**Kingdom Kidz: (2 & 3 yrs old)**  
Laura DenBesten, Ava Leder

**Praise and Play:**  
**(4 yrs old through young 5's)**  
Kristin VanHall, Sophia Wunderink

**Children in Worship:**  
**(5 yrs old through first grade)**  
Christina Block, Ian Blom

**Coffee Fellowship:**  
Joe & Alice Geelhoed

5:30 PM Evening Worship Service

5:30-7:30PM Breakaway (4th - 8th grade) meet in the Youth Room

### **Monday**

7:00PM Administrative Meeting

7PM-9PM Stephen Ministers Meeting (Library)

### **Tuesday**

7PM-8:15PM Friendship; Lesson 4a  
Friendship Cookie Bakers:  
Sandy Peterson, Lori Tilma

7PM Basketball  
Basketball snacks: Susan Holwerda

### **Wednesday**

6:30-8:00PM Guys Bible Study  
(Room 300 above office)

6:30-8:15PM Cadets

### **Thursday**

9:45AM Women's Bible Study Lesson 7 (Library)

### **Sunday January 21, 2018**

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8:45AM Sanctuary Choir

10:00AM Morning Worship Service

**Usher:** Dave Kline, Mary Kline, Tom Diepstra, Ernie Noorman

**Prayer Servants:** Mary Gerritsen, Secret Hallman

**Nursery:** Karen VanderLaan, Doug VanderLaan, Jane Brouwer

**Kingdom Kidz: (2 & 3 yrs old)**  
Deb Hall, Alice Geelhoed

**Praise and Play:**  
**(4 yrs old through young 5's)**  
Susan Poel

**Children in Worship:**  
**(5 yrs old through first grade)**  
Christina Block, Henry Blom

**Coffee Fellowship:**  
Larry & Lori Tilma

5:30 PM Evening Worship Service

5:30-7:30PM Lifeline (9th - 12th grade) meet in the Youth Room