

ORDER OF WORSHIP

January 21, 2018 10 AM 3rd Sunday after Epiphany
We celebrate Communion

ENTER INTO HIS PRESENCE: GOD AWAITS US!

Prelude "Give Me Jesus" arr. Douglas Wagner
"I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"
arr. Mark Hayes

Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**

Choir "Sh'ma Yisraeil" traditional Hebrew

Opening Prayer

*All Sing "Jesus Is Our King"
Lift Up Your Hearts 602: 1 - 4

*Welcome

*God's Greeting

*Greet One Another

*All Sing "Meekness and Majesty"
Lift Up Your Hearts 157: 1 - 3

HUMBLE OURSELVES BEFORE HIM:
GOD ACCEPTS US!

*All Sing "You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore"
Lift Up Your Hearts 116: 1 - 4
[stanza 1&2-choir, stanza 3&4-congregation]

Prayer of Confession
Assurance of Pardon 1 John 1: 5 - 7

*All Sing "Arise, Your Light has Come"
Lift Up Your Hearts 102: 1 - 4

[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 "Meditation from Thais" by J. Massenet

OPENING HIS WORD: GOD SPEAKS TO US!

All Sing "Jesus Calls Us, O'er the Tumult"
Lift Up Your Hearts 121: 1, 3

Scripture Mark 1: 14 - 20 (p. 1556)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon Fishers of Men

Prayer

*All Sing "Will You Come and Follow Me"
Lift Up Your Hearts 742: 1, 2, 5

GOD PREPARES A TABLE BEFORE US!

The Meaning of the Sacrament

God's Invitation

Approaching the Table

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right for us to give thanks and
praise.**

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

All Sing "Holy, Holy, Holy Is the Lord of Hosts"
Sing! a New Creation 251

Words of Institution

Minister: The Bread which we break is a sharing in
the Body of Christ.

People: **We who are many are one body, for we
all share the same loaf.**

Minister: The cup for which we give thanks is a
sharing in the blood of Christ.

People: **The cup that we drink is our
participation in the blood of Christ.**

Minister: The Gifts of God for the people of God.

The Bread is distributed
"Air" by J.S. Bach

The Wine is distributed
All Sing "Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ"
Lift Up Your Hearts 830: 1 - 3

OFFER OUR THANKSGIVING: GOD BLESSES US!

The Thanksgiving

[Offering for Benevolence]

*All Sing "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"
Lift Up Your Hearts 730: 1 - 3

GO BOLDLY AND SERVE:
GOD IS ALWAYS WITH US!

*Invitation

*God's Parting Blessing

People: **Amen.**

*All Sing "Sent Forth by God's Blessing"
Lift Up Your Hearts 936: 2

*Postlude “Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above”
arr. Hal Hopson

(*stand, if you are able)

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| Minister | Rev. Steve De Vries |
| Organist | Annelle Dekker |
| Sanctuary Choir | Doug De Vries |
| Cello | Calvin Van Zytveld |
| Piano Accompanist | Betsy Van Zytveld |
| Drums | David Exoo |
| Guitar | Nathan Diepstra |
| Pianist | Pat De Haan |
| Scripture Reader | Eric Van Swol |

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP

January 21, 2018

Good morning and welcome to Plymouth Heights Christian Reformed Church! Today is Communion Sunday and Pastor De Vries will lead both services. This 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**.

Next Sunday Dr. John Bolt will lead our morning service. The sermon, **The One Work God Expects of Us**, will be on John 6:22-40. Our afternoon service will be a combined service at Woodlawn CRC (Calvin College Chapel) at 5:00 PM, which will include the participation of the Grand Rapids Christian High School Chamber Chorale.

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!

A communion service for Plymouth Heights Raybrook residents and Plymouth Heights members will be held at Raybrook Manor in the Friendship Room on Sunday Feb 4, from 3-4 pm. A social time will follow the service. If your family member needs assistance to attend, please contact the household deacon or Merrie Brouwer at 940-3818.

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 21, 2018 AM: Ministry/Christian Education Funds

January 21, 2018 PM: ACCESS of West Michigan

January 28, 2018 AM: Ministry/Christian Education Funds

January 28, 2018 PM: Calvinist Cadet Corps

Online Giving available at phcrc.org

FROM THE TREASURER

Financial Report for 2017

Total Receipts: \$703,882

Total Expenses: \$688,912

End of year Surplus: \$14,970

All Ministry Shares are paid in full.

FROM COUNCIL

The process of selecting new members for council is beginning. We are inviting members of the congregation to submit names of individuals that they believe have gifts that could be well-used in the office of elder or deacon. If you would like to nominate a member for either office, contact your household elder or deacon, or council clerk, Kathy Sikkema, by Sunday, February 11.

YOUTH AND EDUCATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Breakaway: Our next gathering will be Sunday night January 28 from 5:30pm - 7:30pm in the Youth Room.

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

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

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!

Thank you for the poinsettias and many cards sent over the Christmas season. We really appreciated them.
Larry & Nancy Kuipers

New Address: Nancy Kuipers, 2121 Raybrook SE #443, Grand Rapids, MI, 49546 and phone: 616-956-6035.

Thank you very much to Rev. Steve and Rev. Sarah for your visits. Also to Plymouth Heights family for your prayers cards and calls. Blessings to all.
Doreen Ensing

Upcoming Oasis Events (post college to early forties group): Bowling night Saturday, February 17, and a Ladies Night Out at the Melting Pot on Tuesday, March 27. Save the dates - more details and an e-vite for the bowling night are soon to follow!

OUTREACH

Mobile Food Pantry: Our next event is this Saturday, January 27 with registration and a pancake breakfast starting at 7am, and food distribution from 9-10:30am. Volunteer job assignment sheets are in your communicators today. If you are interested in joining us for a time of food and fellowship with our neighbors, please contact Tom or Mary VanWingerden (616-241-4911) this week.

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 or feel free to email missionaries serving there, Marc and Gretchen Driesenga at gdriesenga@kicsrw.org.

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 or call at 459-7500.

Sunday January 21, 2018

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

Monday
7:00PM Full Council Meeting

Tuesday
7PM-8:15PM Friendship
Friendship Cookie Bakers:
Bea Diepstra, Barb Lummen
7PM Basketball
Basketball snacks: Jane Tiesenga

Wednesday

6:30-8:00PM Apprentice Group (Youth Room)

6:30-8:15PM Cadets

Sunday January 28, 2018

8:45AM Sanctuary Choir

10:00AM Morning Worship Service

Usher: Larry Tilma, Lori Tilma
Jeff Peterson, James Vazquez

Prayer Servants: David VanZytveld, Alyce Boender

Nursery: Susan Post, Liz Brouwers, Mike Brouwers

Kingdom Kidz: (2 & 3 yrs old)

Praise and Play:
(4 yrs old through young 5's)
Mandi Markosky, Jack Markosky

Children in Worship:
(5 yrs old through first grade)
Christina Block, Lori DeVries

Coffee Fellowship:
Michael & Andrea Lautenbach

5:30 PM Evening Worship Service

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