

ORDER OF WORSHIP

May 20, 2018 10 AM

Pentecost

ENTER INTO HIS PRESENCE: GOD AWAITS US!

Prelude "This Is My Father's World"
arr. Van Denman Thomson
"Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God"
Keith Getty and Stuart Townend

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Call to Worship

Leader: Spirit of the living God, visit us again on this day of Pentecost.

People: Come, Holy Spirit.

Leader: Like a rushing wind that sweeps away all barriers,

People: Come, Holy Spirit.

Leader: Like tongues of fire that set our hearts aflame,

People: Come, Holy Spirit.

Leader: With speech that unites the Babel of our tongues,

People: Come, Holy Spirit.

Leader: With love that overlaps the boundaries of race and nation,

People: Come, Holy Spirit.

Leader: With power from above to make our weakness strong,

People: Come, Holy Spirit, come to us.

Opening Prayer

*All Sing "Descend, O Holy Spirit"
Celebration Hymnal 395:1 – 4

Descend, O Holy Spirit, descend on us we pray; and bless us with Your presence, renewed in us today. A fervent intercessor before the Father's throne; Your gentle supplications make our petitions known.

Descend, O Holy Spirit, let healing water flow to comfort those in mourning, a solace to the soul; A fountain in the desert, the water of Your Word, anointed with your power, the sweetest message heard.

Descend, O Holy Spirit, descend in tongues of fire, and fill us with great power; Your will is our desire. O make our hearts an altar, consumed by holy flame, to draw the soul held captive to faith in Jesus' name.

Descend, O Holy Spirit, as rushing, mighty wind; We stand in adoration; O Spirit, now descend. O cleanse us by Your power, our weakened faith renew; Commission us for service to lead the lost to You.

*Welcome

*God's Greeting

*Greet One Another

*All Sing "Gracious Spirit, Heed Our Pleading"
Lift Up Your Hearts 320: 1 – 4

"What the Lord Has Done in Me"
Lift Up Your Hearts 800

HUMBLE OURSELVES BEFORE HIM: GOD ACCEPTS US!

Baptism Vivienne Laroe DenBraber

*All Sing "All Who Have Been Baptized"
Lift Up Your Hearts 798: 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 "Sweet, Sweet Spirit" arr. Doris Akers

OPENING HIS WORD: GOD SPEAKS TO US!

Prayer of Illumination
Scripture Romans 8: 22 – 27 (p. 1755)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon ***Groans, Cries and Sighs***

Prayer

*All Sing "Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God"
Lift Up Your Hearts 746: 1, 3

GOD PREPARES A TABLE BEFORE US!

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 "You Are Holy"
Sing! a New Creation 20

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

"There Is A Redeemer" arr. J. Sanborn

The Wine is distributed

All Sing "Let Us Break Bread Together"
Lift Up Your Hearts 837: 1 – 3

OFFER OUR THANKSGIVING: GOD BLESSES US!

The Thanksgiving

[Offering for Benevolence]

*All Sing "Praise the Savior, Now and Ever"
Lift Up Your Hearts 191: 1 – 3

GO BOLDLY AND SERVE: GOD IS ALWAYS WITH US!

*Invitation

*God's Parting Blessing

People: Amen.

*All Sing "Praise the Savior, Now and Ever"
Lift Up Your Hearts 191: 4

*Postlude "Be of Good Courage"
Georg Philipp Telemann

(*rise in body or in spirit)

Minister Rev. Steve De Vries
Organist Annelle Dekker

Cello
Pianist
Scripture Reader

Luke Tilma
Rachel Plasman
Zoe Underland

SERMON OUTLINE

Groans, Cries and Sighs

Romans 8:22-27

Introduction: The sounds of Pentecost

1. The groaning ground

2. The crying Christian

- a. Hoping
- b. Waiting

3. The sighing Spirit

Conclusion: The stretch of Pentecost

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP

May 20, 2018

Good morning and welcome to Plymouth Heights Christian Reformed Church! This morning we celebrate Pentecost. Jeff and Kate DenBraber will be presenting Vivienne for Baptism and we'll conclude our service with a celebration of Communion. Pastor De Vries will preach on Romans 8:22-27, **Creation's Groans and the Spirit's Sighs**. Pastor Albers will lead our afternoon service with a meditation on Psalm 148, **Total Praise**.

Next Sunday Pastor De Vries will lead both services. Next Sunday is Trinity Sunday in the church calendar, and Pastor De Vries will preach on Isaiah 6:1-8, **Ruined by Holiness**, in the morning service. Our afternoon service will be a combined service with Woodlawn and Calvin and the meditation will be based on Psalm 130, **Of Records and Redemption**.

Afternoon Services: we'll be suspending our afternoon services during the months of June, July and August. We'll begin Sunday afternoon services here again on September 9.

TITHING OPPORTUNITIES

May 20, 2018 AM: Ministry/Christian Education Funds

May 20, 2018 PM: Pregnancy Resource Center

May 27, 2018 AM: Ministry/Christian Education and Special Mission Funds

May 27, 2018 PM: Resonate Global Mission

Online Giving available at phcrc.org

FROM THE TREASURER

Treasures Report through April:

Total Receipts:	\$211,644
Total Expenses:	\$218,605
Current year Deficit:	\$6,961

Unpaid Ministry Shares:
1 Month of Classical
1 Month of Denominational

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

Thank you for all your prayers, cards, kind words and visits following David's passing. We truly appreciate your thoughtfulness. Mae Van Hekken and family

Seniors Breakfast with the Pastors: Enjoy breakfast with Pastor Steve and Pastor Sarah tomorrow, May 21, 9:30am at Arnie's (Centerpointe Mall on the East Beltline). Dutch treat. This is the last day to sign up. A sign-up sheet is on the table by the elevator. Questions call Frank Diepstra at 616-452-3240.

Security Team: We are putting together a church security team and we need more volunteers. This would include some necessary training, along with being included on a schedule for Sunday morning worship services. If interested or for more information, please contact John Lundell.

Our annual Family Weekend will take place September 14 through 16. Cottages and camping areas have already been reserved for Plymouth Heights at the Christian Reformed Conference Grounds www.crcg.org. Stay overnight or drive out for the day. Watch for informational fliers at the Welcome Center toward the end of the month and sign-up sheets for the cottages shortly after that. We have a great time every year so start planning now for this fun-filled weekend.

OUTREACH

Men's Shoes Needed: Mississippi Christian Family Services agency in Rolling Fork, MI, needs men's shoes of all sizes. Examples are work shoes, casual shoes, dress shoes, or tennis shoes. Any men's shoes that you are willing to put in the box in our church narthex during the next four weeks will be taken by Don & Alyce Boender to Mississippi the end of May. Thanks so much!

Meijer's 2018 "Simply Give Spring Campaign": May 13 to June 17 the 28th St. and Kalamazoo Meijer store has selected our Plymouth Heights Food Pantry as the recipient for their "Simply Give Spring Campaign". Every ten dollar card that is sold, Meijer's will match the donation giving our Food Pantry twenty. Meijer's has donated over 38 million dollars to local food pantries since 2008. We thank Meijer's and all who support our food pantry helping us reach out to our neighbors. Cards are available in the store by the cashier and at church on the table by the elevator. There is a flier with more details in your communicator box.

Save the Date: Tie Dye party is set for Saturday June 16 at 10:00am in the church parking lot. Each person can bring two white cotton items to dye. No cost. Signup at the Welcome Center. Questions see Deb Hall.

Kayaking: Looking at two dates, July 14 or July 21. We will kayak the Grand River from Knapp Street to Phil and Deb Hall's house, have lunch there, and kayak back. Signup at the Welcome Center, and we'll go with the most popular date. Questions see Deb Hall.

ROC (Restoring Our Cities) Michigan fundraising bicycle tour is happening again June 8,9,10 GR to Holland, Holland to Benton Harbor, BH to Allegan (Kalhaven bike trail). We need riders and sponsors to join us in this effort!! The table by the elevator has information and sign-up sheet. We ride to raise money and awareness for the smaller non-profit organizations that transform city neighborhoods in the name of Christ. Our partner organization is Great Lakes Urban (GLU) which organizes this three day bicycling event so that we are able to support the Mulick Park mentoring program. Contact Joe and Alice Geelhoed or Deb Hall for questions? Check out www.rocmichigan.com for the full story.

OUTSIDE ANNOUNCEMENTS

GR Christian High School seeks Guest Instructors for *Winterim* 2019: Do you have a passion to share with Grand Rapids Christian High students? *Winterim* at GRCHS engages students in a two-week amplified learning experience that unveils their unique passions and abilities, preparing them to be effective servants of Christ in contemporary society. Partnership with the community is a vital part of *Winterim*. If you are interested in teaching a two-week course next January as a paid Guest Instructor, please contact Brian Karsten for more information at bkarsten@grcs.org or 616-574-5508.

Sunday May 20, 2018

10:00AM Morning Worship Service
Usher: Dave Kline, Mary Kline, Tom Diepstra, Ernie Noorman
Prayer Servants: Fae Diepstra, Eric Uitvlugt
Nursery: Wendy Brummel, Jack & Mandi Markosky, Bonnie Noorman
Kingdom Kidz: (2 & 3 yrs. old) Janeen VanSwol, Sophia Wunderink
Praise and Play: (4 yrs. old through young 5's) Rachel Bardolph
Children in Worship: (5 yrs. old through first grade) Karen VanderLaan, Henry Blom
Coffee Fellowship: Joe & Alice Geelhoed
 5:30 PM Evening Worship Service
Monday
 7:00PM Full Council Meeting
Thursday
 8:30PM Plymouth Heights Men's A softball team at the Christian Recreation Center (Diamond 1)
 8:30PM Plymouth Heights Men's B softball team at the Christian Recreation Center (Diamond 1)

Sunday May 27, 2018

10:00AM Morning Worship Service
Usher: Larry Tilma, Lori Tilma, Jeff Peterson, James Vazquez
Prayer Servants: Alice Geelhoed, Alyce Boender
Nursery: Karen Nienhuis, Beth VanDenHeuvel
Kingdom Kidz: (2 & 3 yrs. old)
Praise and Play: (4 yrs. old through young 5's) Off for today
Children in Worship: (5 yrs. old through first grade) Off for the summer and will resume in the fall
Coffee Fellowship: Paul & Janeen VanSwol
 5:30 PM Combined Evening Worship Service