

ORDER OF WORSHIP

October 28, 2018 10 AM

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

Prelude: "Speak, O Lord" arr. James Koerts  
"Lift High the Cross" arr. John Carter

Leader The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Opening Scripture Psalm 146: 1, 2, 5  
Prayer

Choir: "Praise, Praise, Praise the Lord"  
arr. Ralph Johnson

\*All Sing: "I Will Exalt My God, My King"  
*Lift Up Your Hearts 37: 1 – 2*

\*Welcome

\*God's Greeting

\*Greet One Another

\*All Sing: "Speak, O Lord"  
*Lift Up Your Hearts 755: 1 – 3*

Choir: "Do You Know Your Shepherd's Voice?"  
by Suzanne Lord

**HUMBLE OURSELVES BEFORE HIM:**

**GOD ACCEPTS US!**

Invitation and Call to Repentance: Matthew 11: 28 – 29  
Psalm 139:23-24

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon: I John 4: 10

\*All Sing: "I Sought the Lord, and Afterward I Knew"  
*Lift Up Your Hearts 685: 1, 3*

[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 Grade 1 dismissed for  
Praise and Play, & Children and Worship]

Concerns of our Church Family  
Congregational Prayer

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

Offering: Ministry and Christian Education funds  
Offertory: "Be Thou My Vision" arr. Mark Hayes

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

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture: I Samuel 3: 1– 20 (p. 420)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon: Samuel and the Backside of Belonging  
Prayer

All Sing: "Alleluia! Alleluia! Raise the Gospel"  
*OCP*

**Refrain**

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Raise the gospel over the earth.**

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Peace and justice bringing to birth.**

**Speak, Lord, for your servant's list'ning, speak, Lord, for  
we're longing to hear Good News, that at last the  
promised reign of God is near. (refrain)**

**Listen to the Word now spoken; harden not your hearts  
to the call. Jesus comes to offer everlasting life to all.  
(refrain)**

**Wisdom is the gift you give, Lord, Wisdom is the  
blessing we seek, Wisdom that confounds the strong  
and raises up the weak! (refrain)**

**GO BOLDLY AND SERVE:**

**GOD IS ALWAYS WITH US!**

\*Invitation

\*God's Parting Blessing

**People: Amen**

\*All Sing: "We Receive Your Blessing"  
*Lift Up Your Hearts 947*

\*Postlude: "God of Grace and God of Glory"  
arr. Hal Hopson

(\*rise in body or spirit)

Minister Rev. Steve De Vries

Organist Annelle Dekker

Sanctuary Choir Doug De Vries

Violin Betsy Van Zytveld

Drums David Exoo

Pianist Rachel Plasman

Scripture reader Ava Leder

**SERMON OUTLINE**

**I Samuel 3:1-20**

**Samuel and the Backside of Belonging**

**Intro: A P & L statement for "belonging"**

**1. Ownership (I am not my own)**

- a. Hannah and Samuel
- b. Eli and the family franchise
- c. Samuel and the transitions

**2. Workmanship (He paid, He sets free,  
He watches)**

- a. Sacramental nature of sacrifices
- b. Breaking tyrannies of the devil (tingle)
- c. Watching for openings

**3. Stewardship (God's gifts to me)**

- a. Assurance of belonging forever
- b. Readiness to work for him

**Conclusion: The profit of loss**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### WORSHIP

October 28, 2018

Good morning and welcome to Plymouth Heights Christian Reformed Church. Today Pastor De Vries will lead both services. In the morning he'll preaching on I Samuel 3:1-20, **Samuel and the Backside of Belonging**. In the afternoon we'll continue with the Gospel of Mark, looking at Mark 10:46-52, **Blind Bartimaeus**.

Next week Sunday we'll be moving from the "Belonging" Building Block to "Knowing." Pastor De Vries will begin a 4 week series on the Apostles Creed. Norm Underland will lead the afternoon service, continuing the series on Mark by preaching on Mark 12:28-34.

### TITHING OPPORTUNITIES

October 28, 2018 AM: Ministry/Christian Education Funds

November 4, 2018 AM: Ministry/Christian Education Funds

November 4, 2018 AM: Special Cause Collection is for Crossroads Bible Institute

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

### YOUTH AND EDUCATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Discovery Hour:** Today at 9am for grades K-12. Please meet in the **Youth Room** for a time of worship. We will end the morning in the **Youth Room as well**. We will meet next week at 9am in the Youth Room.

**Cadets/GEMS:** Our next meeting is Wednesday, November 7, from 6:30pm - 8pm. If you have any questions, please contact Mike Feys at 616-957-2160 or Rachel Harkema at 616-328-2549 or [rharkema@phcrc.org](mailto:rharkema@phcrc.org).

**Breakaway (4th - 8th grade):** Our next gathering is tonight from 5:30pm - 7:30pm in the Youth Room. This will be our Halloween Fest hosted by the Lifeline students. Come wearing a costume and be ready for some fun fall activities and games.

**Lifeline (9th - 12th grade):** Our next gathering is tonight from 4:30pm - 8pm in the Youth Room. We will be hosting a Halloween Fest for the Breakaway students. See you then!

### CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

**Pastor Appreciation Month-November 2018** Your church council would like to encourage you to join us in expressing thanks and appreciation for our wonderful pastoral team, Pastor Steve De Vries and Pastor Sarah Albers and their families. Some suggestions might be: • A casserole. • A jar of their favorite candy. • A set of movie tickets. • A note of thanks. • A verbal, "Thank you." • An offer to babysit the kids. It doesn't have to be a big thing to be a big deal! Hopefully this list sparks your own creative ideas. Please offer whatever form of appreciation you would like to either or both of our Pastors and their families anytime between now and the end of November. Thank you!

**Bassinet Blessings:** To help welcome Jude Henry Albers 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 November 11. Blessings abound!

**FOOD PANTRY SPAGHETTI DINNER & AUCTION** – November 14 – 5pm. We need your donations! While we have had many donated items given, we still need more for our auction to be a success. Here are just a few items to consider donating: baked goods, game night, dinner for 4, gift certificates, leaf raking, clothing, babysitting, sporting event, antiques, memorabilia, boat ride, etc. Sign up at the Welcome Center (auction notebook on counter) or call Frank Diepstra (452-3240) or Paul Holwerda (915-6840) if

you have any questions. All donations will go to the Plymouth Heights Mobile Food Pantry. Remember, every dollar we raise will be tripled by the Meijer's Simply Give program. We hope you will also join us for the dinner and auction as well. We need those high bids! Please sign up at the Welcome Center as well, using the black notebook. It is clearly marked: Food Pantry Spaghetti Dinner sign up.

**Oasis Christmas Party, Saturday December 1:** Please mark your calendars for our annual Christmas Party! We'll plan to share food and fellowship for a few hours, adults only. More details to follow, if you're interested in attending or hosting please contact Katie Sytsma, [katie.sytsma26@gmail.com](mailto:katie.sytsma26@gmail.com).

**The Today Devotionals** are at the Welcome Center.

**The Bible Club Snack Sign-Up Sheet:** There is a sign-up sheet on the table by the elevator. The children meet at Evergreen Christian School (1630 Griggs SE) on Wednesdays. The children really appreciate a snack after school when they meet for Bible Club. If you have trouble dropping your snack off to the school, you are welcome to drop off your snack to the church office.

**Irene Menninga's** healing from her broken femur is progressing well. Thank you, Congregation, for your prayers, cards, calls, visits, and food. Christ's love has reached us through you. Clarence and Irene

**Short-term ministry opportunity:** Our seasonal choir is forming on November 4. Please join us as we prepare music for the fall and Christmas season. Our rehearsals are at 8:45 on Sunday mornings in the music room. You may contact Doug De Vries or any of our choir members. Also, let me know if you need childcare during our rehearsal.

**EARNINGS** from investing the **ENDOWMENT Fund** thus far in 2018 amount to \$20,000. At least \$10,000 of that amount, plus any additional earnings achieved by the end of the year, will be available in 2019 to support projects and programs that enhance the ministry of Plymouth Heights Church. Members' ideas for the use of the funds should be channeled through the appropriate Committees or Ministry agencies.

### OUTSIDE ANNOUNCEMENT

**Each year Classis Grand Rapids East** budgets grant funds to assist member churches with initiatives for community engagement partnerships, leadership development, strengthening member churches, and helping start new ones. Grant applications are due by Nov 1, 2018.

See <http://classisgreast.org/index.php/ministry-grants/> for application forms.

### Sunday October 28, 2018

8:45AM Sanctuary Choir  
9:00AM Discovery Hour  
K-12 grade meet in the Youth Room

10:00AM Morning Worship Service  
**Usher:** Larry Tilma, Lori Tilma,  
Jeff Peterson, James Vazquez

**Prayer Servants:** Alyce Boender, Kathy Sikkema

**Nursery:** Lori De Vries, Megan Coakley,  
Dave Vriesman, Olga Leder

**Kingdom Kidz:** (2 & 3 yrs. old)  
Megan Coakley, Ian Blom

**Praise and Play:**  
(4 yrs. old through young 5's)  
Sarah Start

**Children in Worship:**  
(5 yrs. old through first grade)  
Jane Brouwers

**Coffee Fellowship:**  
Paul & Susan Holwerda

5:30 PM Evening Worship Service

5:30-7:30PM Breakaway & Lifeline  
(4th - 8<sup>th</sup> & High School)  
Meet in the Youth Room

**Monday**  
7PM Elders Meeting (Fellowship Rm)  
Deacons Meeting (Refl.Room)

### Sunday November 4, 2018

8:45AM Sanctuary Choir  
9:00AM Discovery Hour  
K-12 grade meet in the Youth Room

10:00AM Morning Worship Service  
**Usher:** Bob & Jane Brouwer,  
Chrysanthi Sinniah

**Prayer Servants:** Frank Diepstra,  
Chrysanthi Sinniah

**Nursery:** Susan Post, Wendy Brummel,  
Lori Tilma, Emma Tilma

**Kingdom Kidz:** (2 & 3 yrs. old)

**Praise and Play:**  
(4 yrs. old through young 5's)  
Rachel Harkema, Mary Ma

**Children in Worship:**  
(5 yrs. old through first grade)  
Liz Brouwers, Karen VanderLaan

**Coffee Fellowship:**  
Eric & Mary Uitvlugt, Pat Schmidt

5:30 PM Evening Worship Service

5:30-7:30PM Breakaway & Lifeline  
(4th - 8<sup>th</sup> & High School)  
Meet in the Youth Room