

February 25, 2024

Indicates you may rise in body or spirit. You are invited to read the **bold font.*

THE APPROACH TO GOD

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

*SONGS OF WORSHIP

"Lord Most High"

*SHARING CHRIST'S PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of mercy,

**whose son, Jesus Christ, longs to gather us in the wide embrace of his love,
we confess that we have been wayward children.**

We have disobeyed your commands;

our ears have been deaf to your call;

our hearts have been cold to your love.

In thought, in word, and in deed

we have hurt others and dishonored your name.

In your great mercy receive us yet again as your well-beloved children,

not because we are worthy but for the sake of him

who loved us and gave himself for us. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

"I Will Carry You"

Leaps of Faith

THE WORD OF GOD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*SONG OF PREPARATION

"Before the Throne of God Above"

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

Ephesians 2:8-10

SERMON

THE RESPONSE TO GOD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE WITH THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

*GIVING OF OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

#809 "Doxology"

Tithes/offerings placed in the box at the entrance of the sanctuary are transferred to an offering plate and brought forward during the "Doxology" as a sign of our response to God's call on our lives.

*SONG OF RESPONSE

#51 "God You Spin the Whirling Planets"

vv. 1, 2, 3

*BENEDICTION

*SENDING SONG

#502 "Amazing Grace"

vs. 4

POSTLUDE

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Participating In Worship

The Congregation

Leendert van Beek

Rosalyn De Koster, Kathy Fictorie, Rebecca Koerselman,

Teresa Sampson, Savanah Van Leeuwen, Lief Schmitz, Tom Truesdell

Emelie Laackmann & Rosalyn De Koster

Marielle Visser & Ava Truesdell

Maggie Visser, Allison Wallinga, Anna Wallinga

Beau Koerselman

Rev. JP Sundararajan, Director of RCA Global Missions

Rev. Dr. Verlyn Boone, Transitional Pastor

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Serving the Lord in Worship

Organist

Worship Team

Leaps of Faith Adult Coordinators

Leaps of Faith Leaders

Leaps of Faith Dancers

Children's Message

Prayers of the People

Liturgist

Leading in Worship





CHILDREN'S & YOUTH DISCIPLESHP

Sunday Morning Nursery

Located out the east doors of the sanctuary, nursery care is available **9:30–11:45 AM** for children birth through 4 years old.

Where? When?

Sunday School @ ARC

Children & Worship (PreK–1st Grade)
2nd & 3rd Grade
4th & 5th Grade
Middle School
High School

10:45–11:30 AM

Room 106
Room 105
Room 103
Room 107
Room 108

Sunday Night @ ARC

Leaps of Faith
**(6th–12th grade)*

4:40–5:45 PM

HSYG (9th–12th Grade)

**(The first Sunday of the month, the HSYG meets at various ARC members' homes for small group dinners from 6:00–7:30 PM. If you have questions about where to meet for this, reach out to Rose at rosalyncoc@gmail.com.)*

6:30–8:00 PM

Wednesday Night @ ARC

F3 (2nd–5th Grade)
MSYG (6th–8th Grade)

6:15–7:30 PM

7:30–8:30 PM

**(The first Wednesday of the month students and their families are invited to ARC for Family Meal Night. Dinner is served from 5:30–6:15 PM in the lower level fellowship hall. Following the meal, F3 and MSYG Buddy Night takes place from 6:15–7:30 PM.)*

ARC TRIVIA NIGHT!

Mark your calendars for the first ARC trivia night!

On Sunday March 10, 2024 at 3:00pm, Kelsey from Very Good Trivia will guide us in a fun-filled afternoon of trivia that everyone will enjoy. All ages are encouraged to attend! No need to worry about a team; they will be created randomly.

Trivia not your thing? Come anyway! You can help with scoring or baby holding or just sit back and enjoy the fun and competition.

Bring a friend, a snack to share, your thinking cap and a sense of humor. We promise it will be a good time!

Admission is an item for the food pantry

LENT @ HOME

Today - Easter

Check out the Faith Formation @ Home materials for Lent found on the table near the elevator. This color as you go spiral offers simple ideas each day for your family to connect with the themes of Lent. Think advent calendar... but for Easter!

ADULT DISCIPLESHP

WINTER 2024 (January 14–March 3)

All classes will be taught in person at church from 10:45 to 11:30 AM on Sundays

WHAT IS THE REFORMED CHURCH IN AMERICA (RCA)?

Facilitator: Kim Van Es Location: Room 202

MODELS OF CHRIST'S WORK FOR US

Facilitator: Cambria Kaltwasser Location: Room 201

Lord Most High

From the ends of the earth, (ECHO)
From the depths of the sea, (ECHO)
From the heights of the heavens, (ECHO)
Your name be praised.

From the hearts of the weak, (ECHO)
From the shouts of the strong, (ECHO)
From the lips of all people, (ECHO)
This song we raise, Lord!

Throughout the endless ages
You will be crowned with praises,
Lord Most High!
Exalted in every nation,
Sovereign of all creation,
Lord Most High, be magnified!

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Before The Throne Of God

Before the throne of God above
I have a strong a perfect plea,
A great High Priest whose name is Love,
Who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on his hands,
My name is written on his heart;
I know that while in heav'n he stands
No tongue can bid me thence depart,
No tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair
And tells me of the guilt within,
Upward I look and see him there
Who made an end of all my sin.
Because the sinless Savior died,
My sinful soul is counted free;
For God, the Just is satisfied
To look on him and pardon me,
To look on him and pardon me.

Behold him there! the risen Lamb,
My perfect, spotless righteousness;
The great unchangeable I AM,
The King of glory and of grace!
One with himself I cannot die,
My soul is purchased by his blood;
My life is hid with Christ on high,
With Christ, my Savior and my God,
With Christ, my Savior and my God.

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Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him all creatures here below;
Praise him above ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

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Amazing Grace

Through many dangers, toils, and snares
I have already come;
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
And grace will lead me home.

John Newton
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God You Spin The Whirling Planets

God you spin the whirling planets
Fill the seas and spread the plain
Mold the mountains fashion blossoms
Call forth sunshine wind and rain
We created in your image
Would a true reflection be
Of your justice grace and mercy
And the truth that makes us free

You have called us to be faithful
In our life and ministry
We respond in grateful worship
Joined in one community
When we blur your gracious image
Focus us and make us whole
Healed and strengthened as your people
We move onward toward your goal

God your will is still creating
Calling us to life made new
Now reveal to us fresh vistas
Where there's work to dare and do
Keep us clear of all distortion
Fashion us with loving care
Thus new creatures in your image
We'll proclaim Christ everywhere

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