



August 5, 2018

PRELUDE

No Longer Slaves

WE GATHER IN UNITY

GATHERING SONG *Hear the Call of the Kingdom*

WELCOME & GOD'S GREETING

MINISTRY MOMENT
Julia Van Dyke and
Rachel Buikema

*CALL TO WORSHIP

*SONGS OF PRAISE *Blessed Be Your Name*

PRAYER WITH THE CHILDREN

READING Jeremiah 29:1, 10-14 Jessica Larsen

WE GROW IN GRACE

PRAYER OF GOD'S PEOPLE

OUR GIFTS TO THE LORD Christian Education Fund

OFFERTORY *No Longer Slaves*

WE GROW IN KNOWLEDGE

SCRIPTURE Matthew 7:7-12 (pew Bible, pages 788)

SERMON **Ask, Seek, Knock**

PRAYER

WE ARE NURTURED TO EXTEND

*SONG OF RESPONSE
*Christian Hearts
in Love United*

WE GO IN PEACE TO LOVE & SERVE

*GOD'S BLESSING

*CLOSING PRAISE *Only King Forever*

**Indicates to stand if you are able*

Preacher Rev. Nicholas Hopkins
Musicians Barb Banaszak, Matt Kraker, Nate Jen
Phil Van Eck, Jim Nyhoff, Kendra Altena,
Joyce Altena

Welcome to Shawnee Park! We are glad you have chosen to worship with us, and we pray God will bless your time here. If you are a guest, please stop by the Connection Center before you leave.

This morning, we will approach a familiar text in which Jesus encourages us to ask, to seek, and to knock—specifically considering the “who” that we are to approach in this way (Matthew 7:7-12).

Next week, we will hear how one is to enter the kingdom community, through the narrow gate (Matthew 7:13-14).

CONCERNS & PRAISES

Becky (Weima) Bagnall had surgery to repair a hole in her colon on Friday, August 3 at the Cleveland Clinic. This issue, from a previous surgery, has likely been the cause of her infections throughout the last year. She will be in Cleveland for at least 4 days after the operation. Pray for Becky, Luke, and the rest of the Weima-Bagnall family during her procedure and recovery.

Ruth Wierenga requests your prayers as she undergoes surgery for a knee replacement on August 9.

STAFF NOTE

Pastor Nick, Char, and Mel will be attending the 2018 Global Leadership Summit at Kentwood Community Church on August 9 & 10.

CONGREGATIONAL NOTES

▪ Short Term Missions Reports

This morning two of our short-term missionaries, Julia VanDyke (Kenya) and Rachel Buikema (Burundi), will be sharing pictures and stories about their experiences and God's work in these countries. Please plan on joining them in the Lake Michigan Room after worship to see and hear God's work in and through them. Please join us in the Lake Michigan Room at 11:00 AM.

- **2018/19 Church Directory** An updated directory packet will be in coming soon. The packets will replace the information in your '17-18 directory. If you don't have a copy of the '17-18 directory, please contact the church office.

- **Food Truck** This Saturday volunteers are needed to help with set-up, registration (at 12:15 PM), distribution (at 1 PM), and cleanup for the food truck. Please contact Bob DeBruin at 989-506-8873 if you are available to serve, or just show up at 12:30 PM and be ready to help.

- **Women's Bible Summer Get Together** is on Wednesday, August 15th from 9:30 to 11:00 AM at church. All women are invited to join us. Please sign up in the fellowship area after church. See Jeanne Engelhard or Rosemary Vroon for questions.

▪ Attention Grades 3-12, Save the Date:

The Great Sunday School Takeover will occur on Wednesday, August 15 from 6:00-8:00 PM. Join Pastor Nick, Mel, and your Sunday School Teachers at Dave and Busters (at no cost) for games, food, and a discussion about how Sunday School can better serve and benefit you! We need to hear from you ... come share your thoughts on structure and content. Help us help you! RSVP at the Connection Center by Sunday, August 12.

CALENDAR: 2018 AUGUST

Sun 5	9:30 AM Morning Service Offering: Christian Education Fund Nursery, Children's Worship 10:45 AM Worship Rehearsal 10:45 Adult Education 7:00 PM Fellowship Team
Tues 7	4:30 PM Executive Committee
Wed 8	9:00 AM Worship Planning
Sat 11	9:00 AM Respite Care 1:00 PM Food Truck
Sun 12	9:30 AM Morning Service Communion Offering: Benevolence Fund Nursery, Children's Worship 10:45 AM Worship Rehearsal
Wed 15	9:00 AM Worship Planning
Sun 19	9:30 AM Morning Service Offering: Ministry Fund Nursery, Children's Worship 10:45 AM Worship Rehearsal
Mon 20	7:00 PM Worship Committee
Tues 21	7:00 PM Consistory 7:00 PM Deacons 8:15 PM Council
Wed 22	5:30 PM Worship Planning
Sun 26	9:30 AM Morning Service Offering: Kent County Salvation Army Nursery, Children's Worship 10:45 AM Worship Rehearsal



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