

ORDER OF WORSHIP

July 18, 2010 10 AM

ENTER INTO HIS PRESENCE: GOD AWAITS US!

Prelude: "Take My Life and Let it Be"
"Holy God We Praise Thy Name"

Welcome

Leader The Lord be with You.

People: And also with You.

Opening Scripture Psalm 52: 8-9

Prayer

*All Sing: "Step by Step" Sing! 17

*God's Greeting

*Greet One Another

*All Sing: "We Praise You, O God" Psalter 237
"Lord, Be Glorified" Sing! 43: 1-3

HUMBLE OURSELVES BEFORE HIM:
GOD ACCEPTS US!

Call to Confession

*All Sing: "Lord, Have Mercy" csw 13
Lord, have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy on me. Lord, have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy on me.

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon Colossians 1: 21-22

*All Sing: "I Will Sing of the Mercies" Psalter 169

Concerns of the Church

Congregational Prayer

OFFER OUR THANKSGIVING: GOD BLESSES US!

Offering: Ministry/Christian Education Funds
Offeratory: "For God So Loved the World" Arr. DeCou
[Please pass the Fellowship pads]

OPENING HIS WORD: GOD SPEAKS TO US!

All Sing: "As We Gather at Your Table" Sing! 245: 1,2

[Children Kindergarten through Grade 1 dismissed for Children's Worship 2]

Scripture: Genesis 18: 1-15 (p. 16)

Minister This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Hospitable to God's Promise

Prayer

*All Sing: "We Come As Guests Invited"

Worship & Rejoice 702

We come as guests invited when Jesus bids us dine, his friends on earth united to share the bread and wine; the bread of life is broken, the wine is freely poured for us, in solemn token of Christ our dying Lord.

We eat and drink, receiving from Christ the grace we need, and in our hearts believing on him by faith we feed; with wonder and thanksgiving for love that knows no end, we find in Jesus living our ever present friend.

One bread is ours for sharing, one single fruitful vine, our fellowship declaring renewed in bread and wine: renewed, sustained, and given by token, sign, and word, the pledge and seal of heaven, the love of Christ our Lord.

WE EAT AND DRINK WITH OUR LORD:

GOD PREPARES A TABLE BEFORE US!

God's Invitation

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

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.

All Sing: "Holy, Holy, Holy Is the Lord of Hosts" Sing! 251

Preparation of the Bread and Wine

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 which we share is our participation in the blood of Christ.

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

The Bread and Wine are Distributed

Bread: "As Your Family, Lord" Sing! 246

Wine: "Remembering with Love and Hope" Sing! 249

The Thanksgiving

All Sing: "The God of Abraham Praise" Psalter 621: 1, 2, 4

[Offering for Benevolence]

GO BOLDLY AND SERVE:

GOD IS ALWAYS WITH US!

Invitation

*God's Parting Blessing

People: Amen.

*All Sing: "The God of Abraham Praise" Psalter 621: 5
Young

*Postlude: "Classic Style"

(*stand, if you are able)

Minister

Liturgist

Scripture Reader

Phillip Westra

Rev. Carolyn Wharton

Karen Vander Laan

Organist

Pianist

Roger Vander Werf

Deb Feys

SERMON OUTLINE

Hospitable to God's Promise

Genesis 18:1-15

Memory: *Is anything too hard for the Lord?*

Genesis 18:14a

Introduction: Uninvited Guests

1. Abraham's _____ and Sarah's _____

2. The main question:

3. Being hospitable to God's promises today

Conclusion: Guests at God's Table

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday July 18, 2010

WORSHIP

Welcome to worship at Plymouth Heights Christian Reformed Church. This morning Pastor Carolyn Wharton is leading liturgy and our service of Holy Communion. Karen Vander Laan is reading Scripture passage, Genesis 18:1–15, and Phillip Westra is preaching “Hospitable to God’s Promise.” All visitors who have professed their faith in Jesus Christ and are members in good standing with a Christian church are welcome to participate in Holy Communion. Our afternoon service will be lead by Pastor Carolyn Wharton who will be preaching “Christ in you—the Hope of Glory” from Colossians 1:24–29.

Next week Sunday morning Phillip Westra will be preaching from the second half of Genesis 18 where Abraham makes a bold intercession to God. Pastor Carolyn Wharton will be preaching “The Heart of Life is Christ” from Colossians 2:6–19 in the afternoon.

Prayer Servants are available to pray with anyone desiring prayer immediately following this morning’s worship service. Please meet them in the front of the sanctuary.

If you are a visitor and would like to know more about ministries, groups, and other opportunities to connect with Plymouth Heights, information is available at the Welcome Center.

TITHING OPPORTUNITIES

July 18, 2010 AM:	Ministry/Chr. Ed. Funds
July 18, 2010 PM:	Christian Learning Center
July 25, 2010 AM:	Ministry/Chr. Ed. & Special Mission Funds
July 25, 2010 PM:	Pregnancy Resource Center

YOUTH & EDUCATION

Children’s Ministries

Children’s Worship 1: Children ages 3, 4 and young 5 are invited to join in Children’s Worship 1 during the morning service in the basement, Room 102.

Children’s Worship 2: Children who are in Kindergarten and First grade are invited to join this class in Room 101 during the service. Look for the dismissal time in the bulletin. Parents, please pick up your children after the service.

High School Ministries

Bible Study: We will continue our weekly Bible study this week Wednesday at 7:00pm on the parsonage deck. Bring your Bible!

Cottage Day: We are canceling cottage day due to too many conflicts.

Cedar Point: Mark your calendars for August 4! We will meet at church at 5:30am and return around midnight. Sign up by getting \$30 to Gretchen. There is limited space, so get your money in early!

Middle School Ministries

Bible Study: We will continue our weekly Bible study this Wednesday at 7:00pm on the parsonage deck. Bring your Bible!

Mystery Day: We will be meeting on Saturday, July 24 from 1:00pm-8:00pm for a fun-filled day! To find out what we’re doing, you’ll have to come along! Cost will be \$10 for the day. Sign up today!

Cedar Point: We are heading to Cedar Point for the day on Wednesday, August 4. Sign up by getting \$30 to Gretchen - there is limited space.

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

Please return your completed Alpha volunteer slips (placed in your Communicator box last Sunday) to Pastor Carolyn as soon as possible.

Oasis: We’re going to the CR Conference Grounds in Grand Haven! Join us today, July 18, for a BBQ and time at the beach. Come around 1pm and stay as long as you’d like. Please bring a salad or dessert to share. Questions? See Kelly Buist.

Friendship Whitecaps Game: Join us for a fun night at the park on Tuesday, Aug. 3. The game begins at 7pm. Sixty tickets are reserved. The cost is \$11.50 per ticket and includes a hot dog and soda. Reserve tickets by sending a check to Nella Uitvlugt.

Kids’ Night Out will be Wednesday, August 25, from 5-8pm. Sign-up for volunteers is still going on today. Please sign up for your favorite activities and games today in the Community Room. Sign up for one shift or the whole night and be part of this night of fun, fellowship, family, and food. Thanks to those who have already signed up. We look forward to an amazing evening!

Steve De Vries will be turning 50 on July 21. If you would like to send him a note or card the address is: 25 River Rock Trail Clark, Wyoming 82435-8192

Regarding Pastoral Care: Someone on our pastoral staff is always available for emergencies or other unexpected circumstances that may require pastoral care. If such a pastoral need arises and the church office is closed, contact either Phillip (cell: 616-808-7685), Pastor Carolyn (cell: 616-560-3950), or your household elder.

OUTREACH

Degage: Tonight we serve the guests at Degage. Meet to carpool at 6pm. Thank you to those who

provided the food and to those who will serve the guests.

Mobile Food Pantry: Our next event is this Saturday, July 24, with registration and a pancake breakfast starting at 8am, and food distribution from 9-10am. Those who have helped in the past (unless you notified us otherwise) will have a job assignment sheet in your communicator today. If you have not had a chance to previously sign up but would still like to participate, please contact Tom or Mary VanWingerden (616-241-4911) this week.

OUTSIDE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ladies' Golf Outing to benefit Safe Haven Ministries will be held at Fellowship Greens, Front 9, on Thursday, July 29. This is a four-person scramble format with a shotgun start at 9am. Minimum contribution is \$25 per person. Carts can be reserved at the course. Prizes include golf balls for tee shot on the green, 3-ball sleeves for each member of the winning foursome, and a special prize for the closest to the pin on Hole 4. A free-will offering lunch will be served after the game. Sign up at the course, or contact Irene Menninga, menn@calvin.edu or 956-9046.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK **July 18, 2010**

Sunday July 18, 2010

10:00AM Morning Worship Service
Ushers: Dave Diepstra, Tom Diepstra, John Danielson, Lori Tilma

Prayer Servants: Nancy VanLopik, Hudson Nyenhuis

Children's Worship 1 Today (3, 4, and young 5): Betsy VanZytveld, Michael VanDenHeuvel

Children's Worship 2 Today (Kindergarten-1st grade): Rob & Sarah Carpenter, John VanDenHeuvel

Nursery: Pat VanderLaan, Karen VanderLaan, Natalie Stuyfzand, Nathan Diepstra

Coffee Fellowship: Paul & Lory Bakker

5:00PM Evening Worship Service

Tuesday

7:00PM Prayer Group (Library, all welcome)
7:00PM Basketball

Wednesday

8:20PM Men's (40+) team softball at the Christian Recreation Center (Diamond 1)

Thursday

6:45AM Faith Builders
8:20PM Men's A team softball at the Christian Recreation Center (Diamond 6)
7:20PM Men's B team softball at the Christian Recreation Center (Diamond 5)

Saturday

8AM-9AM Mobile Food Pantry

Sunday July 25, 2010

10:00AM Morning Worship Service
Ushers: Paul Bakker, Larry Tilma, Jeff Peterson

Prayer Servants: David VanZytveld, Nancy VanLopik

Children's Worship 1 Today (3, 4, and young 5): Kerri Driesenga, Kristin Danielson

Children's Worship 2 Today (Kindergarten-1st grade): Gretchen Driesenga, Jenny Koopmans

Nursery: Donna VanderLinde, Julie VanderWal, Emily Diepstra, Taylor Schuiteman

Coffee Fellowship: Don & Donna VanderLinde, Mark & Helene Bardolph

5:00PM Evening Worship Service