

Cascade Christian Reformed Church

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Rev. Timothy Toeset—Pastor

May 17, 2009

Morning Worship — 10:30 AM

Welcome to all who worship today. May our singing, our fellowship with Christ and with one another, our prayers, our hearing and our studying of God's Word all be blessed by him. Visitors, please come again!

Prelude.....Bé Grimberg, Organ
Carol Haveman, Piano

Welcome

*Greet One Another

*God's Greeting

Pastor: People of God, receive God's greeting:
Grace and peace to you from God our Father
and from the Lord Jesus Christ
through the indwelling power of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

*Call to Worship

Leader: Clap your hands, all you peoples;
shout to God with loud songs of joy.

People: For the Lord, the Most High, is awesome,
a great king over all the earth.

Song: "Our God Is Lifted Up" (*projected on front wall*)



Leader: The Lord is king, he is robed in majesty;
the Lord is robed, he is girded with strength.

**People: He has established the world;
it shall never be moved.**

Leader: Since, then, we have a great high priest
who has passed through the heavens,
Jesus, the Son of God,
let us hold fast to our confession.

**People: Let us therefore approach the throne of grace
with boldness, so that we may receive mercy
and find grace to find help in time of need.**

Time of Praise *(projected on front wall)*

- “Crown Him with Many Crowns”
- “You Are Crowned with Many Crowns”
- “He Is Exalted”
- “Come and See”
- “Worthy Is the Lamb”
- “To Him Who Sits on the Throne”

Morning Prayer

Offering.....General Fund

(The offering is the opportunity for members of the church to give as God has blessed them for the ministries and causes the church has chosen to support. Visitors are invited to show gratitude to God for his gifts by giving as well, but are not expected to do so.)

Musical Selection: “You Are Exalted!”
Men’s Quartet

*Song: Psalter Hymnal # 414
“See, the Conqueror Mounts in Triumph”
(The children age three through kindergarten may be dismissed for Jesus’ Little Lambs.)

Scripture: **Ephesians 1:15-23** *(page 1156)*
Message: **FAR ABOVE ALL POWER**
Prayer

Musical Selection: “Nothing Between”
Men’s Quartet

Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

Words of Institution

Pastor: Hear the words of the institution of the Holy Supper of our Lord Jesus Christ: Jesus said to his disciples, “I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer. For I tell you, I will not eat it again until it finds fulfillment in the kingdom of God.” After taking the cup, he gave thanks and said, “Take this and divide it among you. For I tell you I will not drink again of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes.” And he took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them, saying, “This is my body given for you; do this in remembrance of me.” In the same way, after the supper he took the cup, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is poured out for you.

Summary of God’s Promises

Pastor: God meets us in the sacraments, holy acts in which his deeds elicit our response. In the supper our Lord offers the bread and cup to believers to guarantee our share in his death and resurrection, and to unite us to him and to each other.

**People: We take this food gladly,
announcing as we eat that Jesus is our life
and that he shall come again
to call us to the Supper of the Lamb.**

Preparing the Bread and Cup

Pastor: Is not the bread that we break a sharing in the body of Christ?

**People: We who are many are one body,
for we all share the same loaf.**

Pastor: Is not the cup for which we give thanks a sharing in the blood of Christ?

**People: The cup that we drink
is our participation in the blood of Christ.
Holy Father, in thanks for the sacrifice of Jesus
Christ, in the joy of his resurrection,
in the hope of his coming again,
we present ourselves a living sacrifice
and come to the table of our Lord.**

The Invitation

Pastor: Congregation of Jesus Christ, the Lord has prepared his table for all who love him and trust in him alone for their salvation. All who are truly sorry for their sins, who sincerely believe in the Lord Jesus as their Savior, and who desire to live in obedience to him as Lord are now invited to come with gladness to the table of the Lord.

The Distribution

*(When distributed, please wait to eat the bread
and drink the juice until the pastor indicates to do so.)*

Pastor: Take, eat, remember and believe that the body of our Lord Jesus Christ was given for the complete forgiveness of all our sins.

Pastor: Take, drink, remember and believe that the precious blood of our Lord Jesus Christ was shed for the complete forgiveness of all our sins.

Response of Praise

Pastor: Glory to God the Father, who brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ and crowned him with glory and honor.

Glory to God the Son, who lives to plead our cause at the right hand of God and who will come again to make all things new.

Glory to God the Holy Spirit, who brings us the taste of the good Word of God and the power of the age to come.

**People: Amen! Praise and glory and wisdom,
thanksgiving and honor,
power and might be to our Lord for ever! Amen.**

Song: Psalter Hymnal # 247 "All Glory Be to God on High"

Offering: Benevolent Fund

*God's Blessing

*Closing Song: Psalter Hymnal # 629 "Worthy Is Christ"

Postlude

**Please Stand If Able*

Evening Worship - 6:00 PM

Prelude.....Carol Haveman, Piano

Call to Worship

*Opening Song: Psalter Hymnal # 561:1, 2, 5
“Rejoice, O Pure in Heart”

*God’s Greeting

Time of Sharing

Evening Prayer

Offering.....Home Missions

*(All checks without written designation for the above cause
will be applied to the General Fund.)*

*Song: Psalter Hymnal # 551 “Oh, for a Closer Walk with God”

Scripture: **Galatians 5:16-26** *(page 1155)*

Message: **CHRISTIAN MATURITY**

Prayer

*Song: Psalter Hymnal # 264 “Lord, I Want to Be a Christian”

*God’s Blessing

*Closing Song: Psalter Hymnal # 569

“Praise the Lord with the Sound of Trumpet”

Postlude

**Please Stand If Able*

CALENDAR

Today: 9:30 AM Sunday School
10:30 AM Worship Services
6:00 PM
Wednesday: 7:00 PM Property Ministry Team Meeting
7:00 PM Junior High Youth Group
Meets at Church
Next Sunday: AM Offering: General Fund and
New Building Fund
PM Offering: Matt and Kristy Faber

THE CONGREGATION is encouraged to seek God’s presence for this time of worship with a moment of personal silent prayer after being seated.

THE LORD’S SUPPER: This morning we again have the privilege of participating in the sacrament. We invite you to participate with us if you are a professing member in a Christian church and can affirm the following statements: I am truly sorry for all my sins, I trust in Jesus alone for my salvation, and I earnestly desire to live a life of obedient gratitude to God. Children and young people may participate if they have professed their faith before the Council.

JESUS’ LITTLE LAMBS is a ministry for children age three through kindergarten and is held during the morning service. The children may be dismissed during the singing of song # 414, “See, the Conqueror Mounts in Triumph.” **Parents, please bring your children directly to the classroom. The congregation’s policies now require that only a child’s mother or father may pick up the child following the worship service.** The children will be in classroom 5.

THIS MORNING’S OFFERING is for the General Fund. When Jesus ascended to heaven to prepare a place for us, he did not leave us alone. He sent the Holy Spirit to guide and assist us. The church serves as a place for God’s people to gather together to worship him as a family of believers who, through faith, will one day be with our Father in heaven. As we give our offerings, remember that our church is a residence for the lost, for the sick, and for sinners.

THE COMMUNION OFFERING is for the Benevolent Fund. Our Lord gave his body and blood that we may share in everlasting life with him. This offering enables us to share with others the most basic of needs.

THIS EVENING'S OFFERING is for Christian Reformed Home Missions, which provides leadership assistance for evangelism and discipleship to nearly 1000 Christian Reformed Churches. Your gift today will assist Home Missions as it serves local churches, plants new congregations, supports campus ministries, promotes spiritual growth through small groups such as Coffee Break, and encourages focused and continued prayer for the mission of the church.

SABBATICAL: On May 18 Pastor Tim begins an eight-week sabbatical. Please pray that it may be a time of refreshment, encouragement, and learning for him. During this time if pastoral needs arise, the congregation members are asked to make contact with their district elder. The elders and their districts are as follows:

Elder

John Heaphy
Henry Van Dam
Ron Haveman
Lloyd Hofkamp

District

Anderson – Dodgen
Duty – Lampers
Lanting – Schneider
Shaw – Zylstra

CAN YOU HELP? The following visiting pastors will need a meal and a place to stay for the afternoon on the Sunday they are leading us in worship. If you are able to entertain one (or both) of these pastors on the dates indicated, please contact one of the elders.

June 7: Herb Vanden Broek
June 21: Dr. Alvin Vander Griend

BETHANY BANKS were distributed by the deacons last Sunday morning. You are encouraged to use these banks for your spare change and/or bills during the next few weeks as an offering for Bethany Christian Services. The banks will be collected on Father's Day, June 21. If you did not receive a bank last Sunday, there are additional banks on the table in the foyer.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Today was the last day of Sunday School for this education season. Jesus' Little Lambs will continue to meet during the morning worship services throughout the summer.

PLEASE BE AWARE that stakes have been placed in preparation for the construction of the new building. Parents, please be certain to not allow children to play with or pull up those stakes. Thank you.

TWENTY-4/TWENTY-4 COMMUNITY-WIDE PRAYER:

Cascade Church is joining North Snohomish County in 24 hours of prayer for 24 days of May. We have agreed to pray **today** (please note date change) from midnight to midnight. To participate, **please sign up** for 30 minutes or longer and take a prayer guide handout. **If you previously signed up, please sign up again since the date has changed.** The sign-up sheet is on the table in the foyer. For more information go to impactprayersummit.org.

THE PROPERTY MINISTRY TEAM will meet on Wednesday, May 20, at 7:00 PM.

JUNIOR HIGH YOUTH GROUP, grades 6–8, will meet at church on Wednesday, May 20, at 7:00 PM.

YOUTH GROUP SKAGIT SPEEDWAY OUTING: You are invited to join the Youth Group at 7:30 PM on May 30 at Skagit Speedway. We have 30 free tickets for that evening's races. Each ticket will admit two adults and up to four children. Talk to Andy Sytsma to get your tickets.

JUNIOR HIGH YOUTH GROUP: Mark your calendar for Friday, June 5. We will be having a sleepover at church beginning at 7:00 PM. Midnight bowling and other games are being planned. Pizza, hotdogs, and other snacks will be provided. Bring your pillow and sleeping bag and come for a fun evening.

BROWN BAG BRIGADE: The Outreach Ministry Team is endorsing a program of the Arlington United Church called the Brown Bag Brigade. The program provides a healthy sack lunch for the homeless which includes a drink, a sandwich, and other items each Friday at the Arlington Food Bank. Six volunteers are needed on Thursdays at 4:00 PM to make sandwiches at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church (615 East Highland Drive, Arlington) and two volunteers are needed on Friday to distribute the brown bags. If you want to meet new people, have a fun time with others, and enjoy helping those in need, you are the one for this program. Questions? Ask Sharon Rose Hanson, Terry Kersaan, Barb Overcash, John Heaphy, or Elaine Zonnefeld.

CASCADE FAMILY BIBLE CONFERENCE: Invest in your family this summer! Register now for Cascade Family Bible Camp, held July 9 - 13 at Warm Beach Camp near Stanwood. This year's keynote speaker is Gary Thomas, a Northwest best-selling author, who will engage your mind and soul. Registration forms are available now on the table in the foyer or at www.cascadefamily.org.

TAPROOT THEATRE: Jules Verne's novel springs vividly to life in Taproot Theatre's production of *Around the World in 80 Days*. This wildly theatrical adaptation takes you on a madcap, cross-continental race against time packed with adventure, danger, suspense, and love. *Around the World in 80 Days* runs May 20 through June 20. For more details call 1-206-781-9707 or visit www.taproottheatre.org.

THE CHRISTIAN REFORMED WORLD RELIEF COMMITTEE (CRWRC) is requesting funds to care for Pakistani refugees fleeing escalating violence in the northern portion of the country. A million people are running for their lives, with many thousands more expected to be displaced by fighting in the next two weeks. CRWRC has released \$10,000 for essential non-food items such as bedding, shelter, and cooking utensils to internally displaced persons in the rapidly growing camps surrounding the Swat Valley. Financial gifts to CRWRC to assist survivors can be marked "Pakistan Refugees 2009."

VOLUNTEER DAIRY FARM TRAINING MANAGER NEEDED FOR UGANDA: Christian Reformed World Missions is looking for a volunteer to help establish a dairy farm for a theological college in Mbale, Uganda. A mature Christian with experience in dairy farming and/or farm management is essential to this position, plus a willingness to serve for a minimum of six months. If this is of interest to you, please contact Kathryn Shane at kshane@crcna.org or 1-800-346-0075. Visit www.crwm.org for further information.

PRAYER REQUEST FROM BACK TO GOD MINISTRIES INTERNATIONAL: Every Friday Zinaida prays for the people of her village in southern Russia. She says the Russian broadcasts of Back to God Ministries International encourage her to share what she learns with many people. Pray with Zinaida that God will continue to *Tell His Story...and Share His Love* through our Russian media outreach.

BACK TO GOD HOUR—*The Church Without Love*: Is it necessary to be part of a church? Or can you experience God and spirituality without it? This is a hot topic these days, because many people can relate negative experiences with the church: infighting, conflict, judgment. What does the Bible say to these churches and to us as believers in the church? Find out on the May 24 *Back to God Hour*. Go to www.BacktoGod.net for local stations and times.

KIDS CORNER—*Trouble Comes to Town*: Spike's new hero seems to enjoy making trouble for others. On this week's *Kids Corner*, come help Spike figure out what to do before it's too late. Then check out the *Kids Corner* website at www.kids-corner.org for stories, devotions, puzzles, and more.

CROSSROAD CONNECTION—*The Death Penalty on Trial (II)*: Dr. David Schuringa continues his interview with Dr. Ron Gleason on his new book. This exciting episode of *Crossroad Connection* zeros in on sanctity of life issues, whether the death penalty is a deterrent to murder, and the apparent lack of Scriptural support for long-term incarceration. Go to www.cbi.fm to listen to *Crossroad Connection*, a restorative justice ministry of Crossroad Bible Institute.

AREA OF MINISTRY	TODAY	NEXT SUNDAY
JESUS' LITTLE LAMBS 3-Year-Olds through Kindergarten	Michele Poortinga Kyle Poortinga	Kim Anderson Nic Anderson
NURSERY AM 10:15	Cora Star Joel Faber Kayla Sytsma	Michele Poortinga Chelsea Klein Grady Poortinga
HOSTESSES	Eleanor Van Dyke Patti Van Dyke	Dena Wichers Myrna Boersma
GREETERS (West Door)	Marge Toeset Betty Oosterwyk	Andy & Grace Andringa
SONG LEADER		
USHERS	Dean Lampers Jim Boersema Marvin Boersema	Andy Sytsma Eldon Wichers Dean Lampers
VIDEO	Jim DeGroot	Zachary Smith
SOUND AM PM	Phil Zylstra David Poortinga	Anson Statema David Poortinga

OUR VISION

We at the Cascade Christian Reformed Church seek to be a fellowship growing in understanding of God and His Word causing us to reach out to those who are unchurched, desiring to bring them into fellowship with God.

CONVERSATIONS WITH GOD

Call Bé Grimberg at 425-609-1002 or e-mail her at JGrimberg@bardicgrove.org with your prayer items. Items received by Thursday evening will be included in Sunday's guide.

NEW CONCERNS:

- ✚ Pray for Dave Duty's mother who is dealing with knee pain.
- ✚ Pray Melinda Duty's mother who is dealing with arthritis.
- ✚ Pray for Elaine Van's son Dave who recently had a job interview.
- ✚ Pray that the appellate judges will uphold the original judge's decision in the Korean church court case.
- ✚ Pray that Grady Poortinga's classmate, Matt Meyers, will not lose his sight due to an injury from an Airsoft gun.

CONTINUING CONCERNS:

- ✚ Pray for Esther Daniels who is hoping to move to Lake Stevens.
- ✚ Pray for Henry Jager, Marge Toeset's father, who is in a nursing home and is not doing well.
- ✚ Pray for Ron Haveman as he continues to look for employment.
- ✚ Pray that God will provide a job for Dave Duty.

OUR EXTENDED FAMILY:

- ✚ Pray for Debbie, Dave and Ginny Boersema's friend, whose previous surgery was not successful and needs to have a double mastectomy.
- ✚ Pray for Becci Boersema's 13-year-old friend Kylie who has frequent migraines and other medical problems.
- ✚ Pray that our government will be led to make the right decisions.
- ✚ Pray for persecuted Christians around the world.
- ✚ Pray for Christian schools and their future enrollment in the current economic situation.
- ✚ Pray that God will miraculously heal Carol Haveman's nephew Dan who has a rare, incurable disease. Pray also for his family.
- ✚ Pray for Michelle DeKok whose Hodgkin's disease has not responded and who possibly faces further radiation and chemo.
- ✚ Pray for Andy Grimberg whose job is being terminated soon.
- ✚ Pray that God will give Beth Anderson's son Steve the strength to fight his addictions and to mend his marriage.
- ✚ Pray for the many people who are affected by the bad economy.

PRAISE THE LORD:

- ☺ Give thanks that Mary Harper, Deb (Boersema) Harper's mother-in-law, is healing well from the skin grafts and that she may be walking soon.