

**Sunday, July 25, 2010**  
**Ninth Sunday of Kingdome**

*Welcome to our celebration of corporate worship. We are glad you are here and invite you to join us for refreshments following the service. In the order of the service, an asterisk (\*) indicates that the congregation is standing. Also, please take a moment to let us know of your presence by signing the blue fellowship register located in each row.*

*Today we celebrate communion. Our Savior, Jesus Christ, has ordained and instituted the sacrament of communion to nourish and to sustain those who are part of his family, the church. Baptized believers in Christ may receive the sacrament in the gathering of God's people. All those who have not put their trust in Jesus Christ as their Savior are asked to abstain from the sacrament.*

**\* GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

**The Collect:** O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**\* Gathering Song:** Come, All You People (green) Sing! #4  
(Children's percussion)

**\* Responsive Reading**

Pastor: In your wisdom, O God, you call us here to worship you.

**People: We gather, alive to the Word of God.**

Pastor: You call us to be fully alive with your life abundant,  
ready to listen and respond with heart, soul, strength, and mind.

**People: We listen, alive to the Word of God.**

Pastor: You call us to be always watchful for your Word of wisdom,  
sometimes startling and unexpected,  
sometimes still and quiet,  
but always dwelling among us.

**People: We watch and wait for the Word of God.**

**\* Song of Adoration:** Lord Most High (green) Sing! #47

**\* GOD GREETS US AS WE GREET ONE ANOTHER**

Pastor: People of God, in whom is our help?

**People: Our help is in the name of the LORD,  
who made the heavens and the earth.**

*(We receive God's greeting and greet one another)*

**GOD RECONCILES US TO HIMSELF**

**Prayer of Confession:**

Leader: O God, you have shown us the way of life  
Through your Son, Jesus Christ.

We confess with shame our slowness to learn of him,  
Our failure to follow him, and our reluctance to bear the cross.

**People: Have mercy on us, Lord, and forgive us.**

Leader: We confess the poverty of our worship,  
Our neglect of fellowship and of the means of grace,  
Our hesitating witness for Christ,  
Our evasion of responsibilities in our service,  
Our imperfect stewardship of your gifts.

**People: Have mercy on us, Lord, and forgive us. Amen**

*(Time for silent confession.)*

**Song of Song of Confession: O Christ, the Lamb of God (gray) PH #257**

**Assurance of Pardon** *(Romans 5:8-9)*

Leader: God demonstrates his own love for us in this:  
while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.  
Since we have now been justified by his blood,  
how much more shall we be saved  
from God's wrath through him!

Friends, believe the good news.

**People: In Christ, we are forgiven.**

**Song of Assurance: Great is Thy Faithfulness (gray) PH #556**

*(pouring of the water of baptism)*

## **WE OFFER OUR PRAYERS**

Leader: Almighty and merciful God,  
from whom comes all that is good,  
we praise you for all your mercies:  
for your goodness that has created us,  
your grace that has sustained us,  
your wisdom that has challenged us,  
your patience that has borne with us,  
and your love that has redeemed us.

*(Prayers of thanksgiving and petition may be offered aloud or silently)*

Help us to love you and all your children  
and to be thankful for all your gifts,  
by serving you and delighting to do your will.  
In Jesus' name we pray. **Amen.**

## **GOD SPEAKS THROUGH HIS WORD**

**Song of Illumination:** Spirit of the Living God (gray) PH #424

**Old Testament Reading:** 2 Kings 2:1-14 *(Bible page 290)*

Reader: This is the Word of the LORD.

**People: Thanks be to God**

Sermon

*Silent Moment for Reflection*

## **WE RESPOND IN THANKSGIVING**

*(Our morning offering is an act of worship whereby we as members of this church express our gratitude to and reliance on God. Guests and visitors should not feel that participation in this part of the service is obligatory.)*

Offertory Prayer followed by *General Fund* offering and *Special Offering for Urban Youth Convention*

*(Please take a moment during the offering to enter your name and contact information in the welcome pad found at the end of each row and pass the pad to your neighbor.)*

\* **Song of Preparation:** We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding  
(green) Sing! #126

**THE COMMUNION** *(using the green communion liturgy)*

**GOD SENDS US OUT INTO THE WORLD**

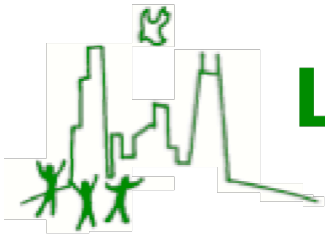
\* **Sending Song:** My Friends, May You Grow In Grace (green) Sing! #288

\* **Benediction**

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**Announcements**

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*Ninth Sunday of Kingdomtide, July 25, 2010*

## Kingdomtide

*The church year following Pentecost is known as Kingdomtide. It begins with Trinity Sunday (the first Sunday after Pentecost) and ends with Christ the King Sunday (the last Sunday before Advent). The sanctuary color for Kingdomtide is green, representing life in Christ. During Kingdomtide, we focus on various aspects of our faith and the mission of the church in the world*

## This Week at Loop

**PREACHING:** Timothy Douma    **WORSHIP LEADER:** Lexi Wurpts    **Music:** Sonja Will

**Welcome to our worship service at Loop Christian Ministries.** After the service, you're invited to share refreshments and fellowship with us in the gym. **PLEASE REMEMBER – NO FOOD OR DRINK TO BE TAKEN INTO CARPETED AREAS!** A nursery is available for younger children during the service. Nursery is for children age 4 and under.

**Church Volunteer Opportunities:** Please be sure to check with Jim Bosman after the service regarding the worship assistant sign-up sheet. There are many opportunities to get involved on Sunday morning including greeting people, bringing refreshments, and watching children in nursery.

## Worship Assistants:

Date	Set up	Greeters	Nursery	Nursery	Refreshments	SS 4-7	SS 8-12	Offering
7/25/10	Kevin	John & Lisa	Jake A	Vera	Carolyn	Summer	Break	Rebecca & Kyle
8/1/10	Steve	Kyle & Joanna	Mike M	Carrie	Steve & Barb	Summer	Break	Corwin & Paul
8/8/10		Kristin & Abram	Sharon	Lexi	Matt & Vera	Summer	Break	Kyle & Paul
8/15/10	Steve	Kevin & Mona	Jessica VS	Steve	John & Lisa	Summer	Break	Corwin & Kristin

## Calendar:

Date	Event	Time	Location
Sunday, July 25	UYC Car Wash	11:30 AM – 1:00 PM	Daystar
Monday, August 16	Worship Team meeting	6:30 – 8:00 PM	Chicago Semester
August 17, 18, 19	Phone-a-thon	5:30 – 9:00 PM	SCUPE
Tuesday, August 24	Steering Council Meeting	6:00 – 8:00 PM	Church Office
August 29	Trinity CC Potluck	11:30 – 12:30	Daystar

**Offering Update:** July 18: Gen Fund \$2,219.12, FYTD: \$5,269.93; FYTD Budget: \$7,043.47; Excess (shortfall): (\$1,773.54)

**Email Prayer Requests:** If you would like to be included in this ministry and receive periodic prayer requests from members of LCM, please email [LCM@loopchurch.org](mailto:LCM@loopchurch.org). If you would like to submit a prayer request go to our website at [www.loopchurch.org](http://www.loopchurch.org) and click on the Prayer Requests link and follow the instructions.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Contact [jim@loopchurch.org](mailto:jim@loopchurch.org) if you would like to add or update an event on the web calendar. Events from the calendar are also included in the bulletin but REMEMBER - the bulletin is printed on Tuesday so get your event in the bulletin you must have your updates in by then.

## Phone-a-thon

**When:** August 17, 18, & 19 5:30 - 9:00 (come when you are able, leave when you need to)

**Where:** SCUPE Offices, 200 N Michigan, Suite 502

**Why:** To ask for prayer requests that we as a church can lift up to God for our brothers and sisters in Christ during Sunday services in the near future and for pledges of support to our ministry.

**How:** By signing up below for a specific date, you can join us for food, fun and fonecalls to those who you might have lost contact with or a new person with whom you might have something in common. It's all good!

**What:** You need more reason to come?! Well... you definitely will be doing a great service to our church, both locally and denominationally, and, its always good for you to reach out and touch someone (I'm talking about phone calls here). If you are still scared to talk on the phone, we can have you do some filing work and you will still be doing us a great service. **Won't:** You please join us? Just sign up after the service with one of the elders

**Christian Education Assistance Fund (CEAF) Reminder:** If you have a child attending Christian school (K – 12) this fall and need assistance with tuition, please contact one of the elders.

**Join Trinity Christian College Friends for Music in Millennium Park:** Join alumni, faculty, and staff of Trinity Christian College for some summer evenings of spectacular music at the 76th Grant Park Music Festival held in Millennium Park. Trinity friends will be in attendance on **July 21, 8:30 p.m.; August 4, 11, and 18, 6:30 p.m.** For more information, call the Development office at 708.239.4806 or visit the Events section at [www.trnty.edu](http://www.trnty.edu).

**CCDA National Conference September 7-11, in downtown Chicago:** Pick up flyer from literature rack or Visit [ccda.org/conference](http://ccda.org/conference) to register, volunteer, or learn more.

**GROUNDWORK - Justice and Shalom:** The August 1 Groundwork program looks closely at what the Bible says about the goal of justice. Do our individual acts of justice add up to anything? What type of world will this lead us to? Tune in to Groundwork - find a local radio station or listen online at [www.GroundworkOnline.com](http://www.GroundworkOnline.com).

**KIDS CORNER - The Case of the Purloined Pie:** Is taking something always stealing? Help Liz figure out the big deal with stealing on this week's Kids Corner. Kids Corner is a member of the HisKids.net alliance--working together to provide quality entertainment for kids that is Christ-centered and Bible-based. Visit HisKids.net to find great Christian programs and music for kids.

**FAITH ALIVE - Explore how YOU can be part of God's mission in the world!** The new "In the Works" series from Faith Alive is ideal for small groups. Learn more about these exciting new studies at [www.FaithAliveResources.org/In-the-Works](http://www.FaithAliveResources.org/In-the-Works) or call 1-800-333-8300.

**VOLUNTEER WITH THE CRC!** - Current opportunities posted include: Diaconia Director Assistant in Honduras; Missions Intern in Ukraine; Ministry to Seafarers in Montreal plus

many group opportunities in Canada and the US. For details and to see the full list, visit [www.crcna.org/serviceLink](http://www.crcna.org/serviceLink).

**POSITION OPENING** - The CRC in NA is seeking a new Director of Loan Fund based in Grand Rapids, MI. This position will manage lending programs and real estate holdings for the Loan Fund and Home Missions. For more information or to apply visit [www.crcna.org/pages/opportunities.cfm](http://www.crcna.org/pages/opportunities.cfm) by August 27, 2010

**POSITION OPENING** - The Christian Reformed World Relief Committee (CRWRC), an agency of the Christian Reformed Church in North America (CRCNA) has an opening for a full time Associate Director for the Connections sub-team in the Burlington office. This position will lead and supervise the Connections sub-team in educating and motivating CRC congregations in North America to ever increasing levels of generosity and engagement. Please visit our website at [www.crcna.org](http://www.crcna.org) or [www.crwrc.org](http://www.crwrc.org) for more information and to apply. Application deadline is July 31.

**POSITION OPENING** - The Christian Reformed Church in North America (CRCNA) has a full-time position opening for Director of Advancement with Home Missions, a ministry of the CRCNA. This position is based in Grand Rapids, Mich. and will give leadership to the advancement efforts on behalf of Home Missions including oversight of all fundraising, church relations and communication efforts. For more information or to apply visit [www.crcna.org/pages/opportunities.cfm](http://www.crcna.org/pages/opportunities.cfm) by Aug. 30.

**SHOULD CHILDREN SERVE LIFE SENTANCES?** In this week's episode of Crossroad Broadcast News, you'll hear reports on youthful offenders, a political candidate who proposed a pedophile island, prisoners murdered in Haiti and more. Go to [www.cbi.fm](http://www.cbi.fm) to listen to *Crossroad Connection*— a restorative justice ministry of Crossroad Bible Institute.

Below you will find the **Mission Statement** of LCM. This is what we intend to be about and that for which we wish to be held accountable. Is it working for you? Let us know. Is it not working for you? By all means, speak to a member of our steering team and we will make adjustments. We firmly believe that this is what God has called and positioned us to do.

As People who belong to God we welcome you, accept you for who you are, and believe you are valuable to our community. To equip you for a life of security in God alone, we will pray with you, walk with you, study God's word with you, be accountable with you, and worship with you. You will be challenged to speak about the hope you have in Christ to an inquiring world. We will provide you with opportunities to show and tell of God's reconciling love.

**Pastor:** Timothy H. Douma **Steering Council:** Kristin VanEngen (Chair), Rebecca Reed, Corwin Will, Kyle Wigboldy

**Treasurer:** Tim Wurpts

**Prayer Coordinator:** Lexi Wurpts

**Ministry Coordinator:** Jim Bosman

**Missionaries:** John Hoekwater - Rogers Park; John Zayas - Hermosa; Rosetta Polk-Pugh - Campus

**OFFICE SCHEDULE:** Office hours are by appointment, generally Monday through Thursday

**MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES** (Please call the church office for further information)

◇ Opportunities to help with Rogers Park and Hermosa Church Planting Ministries

◇ Volunteer commitment surveys are available at the church office.

**REGULAR MEETINGS:** ◇ The Steering Council meets the third Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m.

◇ The Worship Committee meets the second Monday of the month at 6:00 p.m.

◇ Small groups meet during the week throughout the city.

◇ You are invited to speak with Tim, or a member of the steering council about starting a new group