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EVENING WORSHIP GATHERING WITH JOY

6:00 P.M.

Prelude "Here I Am to Worship" Pethel

Welcome

Call to worship: Psalm 107:1

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever!

*Opening hymn #182 "Give Thanks to God, for Good is He"

*God's greeting and greeting each other

OPENING OURSELVES TO GOD

Scripture reading: Psalm 107:2-9

Leader: Let the redeemed of the Lord tell their story— those he redeemed from the hand of the foe, those he gathered from the lands, from east and west, from north and south. Some wandered in desert wastelands, finding no way to a city where they could settle. They were hungry and thirsty, and their lives ebbed away. Then they cried out to the Lord in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress. He led them by a straight way to a city where they could settle.

People: **Let them give thanks to the Lord for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for humankind, for he satisfies the thirsty and fills the hungry with good things.**

Hymn #432 "For the Beauty of the Earth"

Scripture reading: Psalm 107:10-16

Leader: Some sat in darkness, in utter darkness, prisoners suffering in iron chains, because they rebelled against God's commands and despised the plans of the Most High. So he subjected them to bitter labor; they stumbled, and there was no one to help. Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, and he saved them from their distress. He brought them out of darkness, the utter darkness, and broke away their chains.

People: **Let them give thanks to the Lord for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for humankind, for he breaks down gates of bronze and cuts through bars of iron.**

Song of deliverance "You Are My Hiding Place" CCLI #225774

You are my hiding place, You always fill my heart with songs of deliverance,
Whenever I am afraid, I will trust in You, I will trust in You,
Let the weak say, "I am strong in the strength of the Lord." (repeat)
I will trust in You.

Scripture reading: Psalm 107:17-22

Leader: Some became fools through their rebellious ways and suffered affliction because of their iniquities. They loathed all food and drew near the gates of death. Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, and he saved them from their distress. He sent out his word and healed them; he rescued them from the grave.

People: **Let them give thanks to the Lord for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for humankind. Let them sacrifice thank offerings and tell of his works with songs of joy.**

Prayer of thanksgiving: Judy VanderArk

Scripture reading: Psalm 107:23-32

Leader: Some went out on the sea in ships; they were merchants on the mighty waters. They saw the works of the Lord, his wonderful deeds in the deep. For he spoke and stirred up a tempest that lifted high the waves. They mounted up to the heavens and went down to the depths; in their peril their courage melted away. They reeled and staggered like drunkards; they were at their wits' end. Then they cried out to the Lord in their trouble, and he brought them out of their distress. He stilled the storm to a whisper; the waves of the sea were hushed. They were glad when it grew calm, and he guided them to their desired haven.

People: **Let them give thanks to the Lord for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for humankind. Let them exalt him in the assembly of the people and praise him in the council of the elders.**

***Hymn of praise #237 "We Praise You, O God"**

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Scripture: Psalm 107 (page 554)

Message: Praying the Story of Redemption

RESPONDING IN FAITH AND SERVICE

***Litany**

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

People: **His love endures forever!**

Leader: Come, let us praise God joyfully.

People: **Let us come to God with thanksgiving!**

Leader: For the good world: for things great and small, beautiful and awesome, for seen and unseen splendors.

People: **Thank you, God.**

Leader: For human life; for talking and moving and thinking together, for common hopes and hardships shared from birth until our dying,

People: **Thank you, God.**

Leader: For growing up and growing old: for wisdom deepened by experience, for rest in leisure, for time made precious by its passing,

People: Thank you, God.

Leader: For your help in times of doubt and sorrow: for healing our diseases, for preserving us in temptation and danger,

People: Thank you, God.

Leader: For your Son Jesus Christ, who lived and died and lives again for our salvation: for our hope in him, for the joy of serving him,

People: We thank and praise you, eternal God, for all your goodness to us.

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

People: His love endures forever! Amen.

***Hymn of response #170:1-3,6 “O God, Our Help in Ages Past”**

Our gifts to the Lord: Christian Reformed World Relief Committee

Offertory “On Eagle’s Wings/It Is Well” Joncas and Bliss, arr. by Wilson

***God's blessing**

***Closing song #560 “Like a River Glorious”**

Postlude

* - stand, if you are able

Preaching: Pastor Paul DeVries; Organist: Sue Schepel;
Pianists: Janet Krosschell, Lisa Vanderkamp; Ministry of Music: Flute Choir



Hearing Loop System available.