The Prayer of Illumination (based on Psalm 119:105-112)
Father, open our hearts to your ways.
For your word is a lamp to our feet and a light on our
path.
Teach us your decrees, and may your truth be the joy of our
hearts.
For your word is a lamp to our feet and a light on our
path.
Empower us to follow your righteous laws and to not forget
your promises.
For your word is a lamp to our feet and a light on our
path.
In Jesus’ name and by the power of the Holy Spirit, Amen.

The Scripture: Psalm 46 (p.883)
The Sermon: “THE LIFE-GIVING RIVER”

The Prayer for Blessing on the Word

*The Confession of Faith:
Even now, as history unfolds in ways we know
only in part,
we are assured that God is with us in our world,
holding all things in tender embrace
and bending them to his purpose.
The confidence that the Lord is faithful
gives meaning to our days
and hope to our years.
The future is secure,
for our world belongs to God.

*The Silent Prayer and Carillon Bells
*The Postlude:
“All My Hope on God Is Founded” Michael Burkhardt

Offering plates are located at the Sanctuary exits.
Thank you for your continued support of our ministries.
Chad Boorsma – seminarian
Jonas Tilburt – liturgist
Norma de Wael Malefyt – organist

This evening Jonas Tilburt, our Calvin Jubilee Fellow
intern, will be assisting in worship as the liturgist.

Ordinary Time is the liturgical season from Pentecost to Advent. This season for spiritual growth is represented in the liturgical colors of blue and green. The banners and parament reflect concepts from Psalm 1. Like trees firmly rooted by the stream, we strive to be firmly rooted in God’s word. By doing so, we find life, experience deep spiritual growth, and live grateful lives.

The flowers on the chancel this morning are given by Janice Doornbos in loving memory of Clarence Doornbos, who died on July 15, 2017.

The special offering for the month of July is for Westminster Food Pantry. The downtown food pantry provides an emergency supply of food and personal care items to people in need while also promoting self-sufficiency through referrals and education.

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