

Welcome to Worship at Hope!

We are so grateful to have you with us in worship today! If you are visiting, please leave your information in the Fellowship Pad (located at the outside of each aisle) so we can further connect with you!

A very warm welcome to Pastor Eliza Bast!

Eliza Cortes Bast is a curious adventure-seeker that loves seeing churches, organizations, and individuals thrive. A passionate pursuer of Jesus and of people, she serves the RCA as the Coordinator for Local Missional Engagement. She has served the local church as a Pastor of Outreach and as an Executive Director for a faith-based community center. Eliza has served on boards and planning committees for organizations in the US and abroad, focusing her work around next generation work and leadership development. Her and her husband have a passion for mentoring young leaders. She has her Master's in Organizational Leadership from Regent University with an emphasis on organizational design - ensuring that they become healthy and strategic for long-term sustainability. Eliza hails from Puerto Rico, which contributes to her love of Latin American cuisine, music, and her use of her hands while talking. She resides in Portage, MI with her awesome husband EJ, and their two sons, Roman Edward and Judah Rafael.

Trust

Worship Leaders

<i>Worship Leader</i>	<i>Rev. Kevin Sanders</i>
<i>Organ</i>	<i>Connie Schlukebir</i>
<i>Piano</i>	<i>Sara Poehlman</i>
<i>Children's Message</i>	<i>Angie Vreeman</i>
<i>Offertory Prayer</i>	<i>Don VanLandegent, Jr.</i>
<i>Message</i>	<i>Pastor Eliza Bast</i>

Hope Reformed Church

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 13, 2017

God Meets Us in Our Worship

Prelude

Welcome & Call to Worship (from Psalm 9:1-2)

We will give thanks to you, O LORD, with our whole heart;
we will tell of all your wonderful deeds.

**We will be glad and exult in you;
we will sing praise to your name, O Most High!**

*Song: #63 “All Creatures of Our God and King”

*Greeting of God and God’s People

*Song: “Blessed Be Your Name”

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (based on words from Ulrich Zwingli, 1529)

**Lord, we cry to you to heal our wounds. We call to you in distress
and plead for your salvation. We have sinned against your law and
failed to do your will; we confess that we’ve disobeyed your holy
Word. We pray, purge our lives of selfishness and our hearts of
bitterness. Lead us back to righteousness; save us through Jesus
Christ. Amen.**

Words of Assurance

Children’s Gathering

Children: The Lord be with you as you worship and learn.

Adults: And also with you.

(Following the blessing, children are dismissed to the nursery.)

†Offertory Prayer, Offering

(The offering will be for our General/Mission Fund. Please remember to pass and sign the Fellowship Pads found at the outside aisle.)

Announcements

Prayers of the People

God Speaks to Us Through His Word

Old Testament Lesson: Genesis 22:1-12 (p. 14)

Message: “The Gift: What God Asks of Us”

Prayer of Blessing

God Sends Us Out

*Song of Response: #581 “Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus” (vs. 1-3)

*Blessing

*Doxology: #581 “Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus” (vs. 4)

Postlude

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