Noordeloos Christian Reformed Church Morning Worship May 3, 2020—9:30 AM

Entering God's Presence

Prelude—*Raise A Hallelujah* Welcome Call to Worship—Psalm 96:1-5 & 9 The Lord's Greeting Hymn of Praise—*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

Expressing Our Faith

Confession of Faith: Lord's Day 7, Q&A 21, 22, 23 Preparatory for the Lord's Supper Pastoral Prayer Offering Plan: I Corinthians 16:2 Offering for the General Fund and Love INC of NW Allegan Co. Children's Message: Kathryn Zeinstra Hymn of Faith—*His Mercy Is More*

Listening to the Lord

Scripture: Hebrews 1:1-2 Message: Living by Faith (Series: Living by Faith) Praver of Application

Leaving with God's Peace

Hymn of Assurance—*By Faith* The Lord's Blessing Postlude—*The Blessing* Morning Message—May 3, 2020 Rev. Ron De Young *Living by Faith* Hebrews 1:1-2

Introduction 1. The heroes of faith in Hebrews 11 – Wow!

- 2. The importance/necessity of living by faith
- I. The essence of faith
 A. Hebrews 11:1 a basic definition
 - B. As phrased in Lord's Day 7, Q&A 21

II. The origin of faith (Lord's Day 7)A. The truth of the Word

- B. The work of the Spirit
- III. The two dimensions of faithA. Saving faith
 - B. Daily faith

Conclusion: A call to live by faith

Q & A 21 Q. What is true faith?

A. True faith is

not only a sure knowledge by which I hold as true all that God has revealed to us in Scripture; it is also a wholehearted trust, which the Holy Spirit creates in me by the gospel, that God has freely granted, not only to others but to me also, forgiveness of sins, eternal righteousness, and salvation. These are gifts of sheer grace, granted solely by Christ's merit.

Q & A 22

Q. What then must a Christian believe?

A. All that is promised us in the gospel, a summary of which is taught us in the articles of our universal and undisputed Christian faith.

Q & A 23

Q. What are these articles?

A. I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only begotten Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.