

**THURSDAY OFFERING – Witness to the Host City:
Kids' Food Basket and Sleep in Heavenly Peace**

This year we are supporting two organizations committed to caring for the well-being of children in the Grand Rapids community. **Kids' Food Basket** believes that food is a right, not a privilege and works to break down barriers that cause food insecurity and to ensure a hunger-free West Michigan for all. Their services include a Sack Supper program, community-driven farming, family food provision, and educational programming. **Sleep in Heavenly Peace** (SHP) believes that a bed is a basic need that supports the physical, emotional, and mental well-being of children. Across the U.S., too many boys and girls go without a bed – or even a pillow – to sleep on. Sleep in Heavenly Peace is dedicated to building, assembling, and delivering top-notch bunk beds to children and families in need so that all children have a safe, comfortable place to lay their heads.

Checks to be made out to “Church of the Brethren”
(with Witness to the Host City in the memo line)
or give online at
www.kidsfoodbasket.org
www.shpbeds.org/chapter/mi-kelloggsville



WELCOME+
WORTHY

ROMANS 16:2 (CEB)

Thursday, July 4

**WELCOME AND
WORTHY: KNOWN
AND LOVED BY GOD**

Preacher

Greg Broyles

Affirmation... It Can Change the World!



CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2024
GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

Thursday Evening, July 4

*Gathering Music

Prelude *Arabesque No. 1* *Claude Debussy*
from Deux Arabesques

Announcements

Welcome Table & Centering

Call to Worship (One, All)

God of marvelous light, in the light of your love we are made visible. You invite us to gather together at your table as you make us welcome and worthy.

In God's light we are seen, and we belong.

You know us and are not put off or scared away by our messes, failures, or sins. Instead, you look with favor upon us and invite us to be known as your children.

In God's light we are known, and we belong.

Our spirits rejoice because you have seen us, and you have known us and you love us. In response to this, we enter the light of your love in order to worship.

In God's light we are loved, and we belong.

May your Holy Spirit be present with us as we praise and worship you this evening.

Invocation

*Time of Welcome

*Time of Singing

Invitation to Give

Offering Prayer

Offering *Pastorale on "The King of Love"* *Jack C. Goode & Carol Parsons*

Choir Anthem *Child of God* *Mark A. Miller*

Testimony *Betsy Kuecker*

***Song** *Build my Life* 8

Scripture Reading *Luke 1:46-50*

Message Affirmation... It Can Change the World!

***Song of Response** *You are Salt for the Earth* 40

*Sending

Postlude *Excerpts from Prelude Op. 3 No. 2* *Sergei Rachmaninoff*

You are invited to remain in place as our musicians share their gifts in praise of our God.

*Rise in body and/or spirit

LEADING IN WORSHIP

Our thanks to all who helped to prepare and lead this evening's worship service, including:

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PianistJocelyn Watkins

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