

# Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

February 5, 2023                      10:00 a.m.

## The Approach to God

PRELUDE

Intrada

Alan Viner

WELCOME

VOTUM

CALL TO WORSHIP    from Psalm 112 (*responsively*)

Praise the Lord!

Happy are those who fear the Lord,  
who greatly delight in his commandments.  
Their descendants will be mighty in the land;  
the generation of the upright will be blessed.

Wealth and riches are in their houses,  
and their righteousness endures forever.

They rise in the darkness as a light for the upright;  
they are gracious, merciful, and righteous.

It is well with those who deal generously and lend,  
who conduct their affairs with justice.

For the righteous will never be moved;  
they will be remembered forever.

**They are not afraid of evil tidings;  
their hearts are firm, secure in the Lord.**

Their hearts are steady; they will not be afraid;  
in the end they will look in triumph on their foes.

**They have distributed freely; they have given to the poor;  
their righteousness endures forever;  
their horn is exalted in honor.**

SALUTATION

\*+HYMN OF PREPARATION    581    Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee  
Tune: HYMN TO JOY

PRAYER OF CONFESSION    (*in unison*)

**Most Holy God,  
You have made us.  
You have called us to be your people.  
You have given us gifts to serve you and one another.  
Yet, we have not always appreciated those gifts.  
We have neglected our relationships we have with one another.  
We have been stubborn in following your call.  
We have gossiped, we have lied, we have been unkind.  
Forgive us God and heal our brokenness.  
Turn our hearts back to you.  
Amen.**

WORDS OF ASSURANCE from Isaiah 58

\*HYMN 908 Christ, Be Our Light (vs. 1-4)  
Tune: CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT

CHILDREN'S TIME

## The Word of God

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Isaiah 58:1-9a p. 688  
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 5:13-20 p. 4  
This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ**

SERMON "More Righteousness"

PRAYER FOR BLESSING ON THE WORD

## The Response to God

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**  
(The congregation may exchange the Peace.)

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Holy and right it is...we worship and adore your  
glorious name.

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.**

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

Most righteous God...

Together we proclaim the mystery of the faith:

**Christ has died!**

**Christ is risen!**

**Christ will come again!**

COMMUNION

HYMN: 835 One Bread, One Body

Tune: ONE BREAD, ONE BODY

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AFTER COMMUNION

Bless the Lord, O my soul,  
**and all that is within me, bless his holy name.**  
Bless the Lord, O my soul,  
**and do not forget all his benefits—**  
who forgives all your iniquity,  
**who heals all your diseases,**  
who redeems your life from the Pit,  
**who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy.**  
The Lord is merciful and gracious,  
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.  
**He does not deal with us according to our sins,**  
**nor repay us according to our iniquities.**  
For as the heavens are high above the earth,  
**so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;**  
as far as the east is from the west,  
**so far does he remove our transgressions from us.**  
As a father has compassion for his children,  
**so the Lord has compassion for those who fear him,**

who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all,  
and will also give us all things with him.  
**Therefore shall my mouth and heart show forth the praise of the Lord,**  
**from this time forth forevermore. Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS & SHARING THE GIFT OF FELLOWSHIP

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERING

OFFERTORY                      Light of My Soul

Beautiful Savior, King of creation, Son of Man, Son of God, the Almighty!  
Truly I'd love Thee, truly I'd serve Thee, light of my soul, my crown and eternal joy.  
Fair are the meadows, fair are the woodlands, robed in the beautiful flowers that bloom  
in the springtime;

Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, He makes the song of our sorrowing spirit.  
Fair is the sunshine, fair is the moonlight; Jesus shines brighter than the stars.  
Jesus shines purer than the angels, the angels in the sky!

Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations, Son of Man, Son of God the Almighty!  
Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be Thine! Amen.

—Text and music adapted and arranged by Tom Fettke, music by Peter  
Tchaikovsky from "Andante Cantabile" from *Fifth Symphony*

\*DOXOLOGY 965

Tune: OLD HUNDREDDTH

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,**  
**Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.**  
**Give us this day our daily bread.**  
**And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.**

**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

\*HYMN OF DEDICATION 943 God Be with You Till We Meet Again (vs. 1 & 4)  
Tune: RANDOLPH

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Festival March Norman Warren

+Latecomers will be seated. \*You may stand.

*Worship Leaders: Rev. Dr. Ryan Boes, preaching; Rev. Janelle Lopez-Koolbaas, liturgist; Kamerkoor; Linda Strouf, Minister of Music.*

## Today

We welcome all who worship with us and ask visitors and members to sign the Friendship Folders so that we may get to know one another. Please join us in the Gathering Place for refreshments and fellowship after the worship service.

The flowers at the chancel today are given by the family of Jeanette Koolhaas in memory of her husband, Alan Beagley.

ASSISTING TODAY: Deacons/Ushers: Lynne Bonnette, Jon Van Duinen, Willis Weymon

IF YOU DESIRE PRAYER for yourself and/or others Debbie and Dan Rooks will be available to pray with you following today's worship service. Please make your way to the Place of Prayer located in the south hallway on the main level.

CHILDREN AND WORSHIP: Our Children and Worship Program for children aged 4 through the 2nd grade continues today during the 10:00 service. Our Worship Center program takes place in Room 2. (Downstairs: Take the Northwest staircase down to the lower level. The room is the first door to your right.)

EDUCATION HOUR, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

nursery care available

Preschool-First Grade room 2 Second-Fifth Grade room 1

6th-8th grades room 11 Senior High Youth Room

ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES, 11:15-12:15

Mosaic: "African Americans Who Helped Save Democracy" led by Fred Johnson. This class meets in the sanctuary.

"The Corinthian Correspondence: The Cross Changes Everything" meets in room 22.

Class led by George Hunsberger

## The Week Ahead

### Sunday

8:45 a.m. Kamerkoor

11:15 a.m. Education Hour

11:30 a.m. Spanish Worship Ministry/El Encuentro

5:00 p.m. Carillon Choir

7:00 p.m. Senior High Youth Group

**Monday**

- 10:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study  
6:30 p.m. Pre-Mission Trip Meeting  
7:00 p.m. History Book Group

**Tuesday**

- 9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting  
6:15 p.m. Governing Elders' Meeting  
7:00 p.m. Special Education Ministries  
7:30 p.m. Outreach Committee

**Wednesday**

- 6:15 a.m. Men's Bible Study  
8:30 a.m. Wednesday Morning Prayers (zoom)  
9:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study (zoom)  
1:30 p.m. Rachel Bible Study  
5:30 p.m. LIFT Dinner  
6:15 p.m. LIFT Classes  
6:15 p.m. Middle School Youth Group

**Thursday**

- 8:00 a.m. Sunrise Saints  
6:30 p.m. Intergroup Dialogue Session

**Friday**

- 10:00 a.m. Pickleball

## Congregational News

*Please remember in prayer those in the hospital and in care facilities.*

Please remember to have someone notify the church office when you are in the hospital so you can receive spiritual care by the pastoral staff. Call 392-1459.

SYMPATHY is extended to Jeanette Beagley in the death of her husband, Alan, on January 24.

PRAYER SPOTLIGHT: Holland Hospital-Dennis DeWitt. Hospice-Sue Ten Hoeve, Don Maatman. Pray for Lucille Schroeder. Maple Woods-Beth DuMez, Dennis DeWitt; The Inn or Assisted Living at Freedom Village-Martha Beld, Esther DePree, Margaret Doorenbos, Mary Heideman, Jack Kuiper, A.E. Lacey, Herb Pollock, Eileen Resch. Missionaries-Linn G. (Asia), Cheryl Barnes (Malawi), Lubna Y. (Asia).

MICRO-PANTRY NEEDS: Thank you for your continued support of the Micro-Pantry! We are either out or very low on the following items: soap, canned vegetables, toothpaste, canned fruit, toilet paper, cereal, shampoo, canned baked beans, canned soup, spaghetti sauce, canned potatoes, noodles, rice, snack bars, macaroni and cheese.

WINTER WEATHER INFORMATION: During the weekdays, Third Reformed Church will follow the Holland Public Schools cancellations to determine whether we will be having daily and evening activities. For Sundays: if inclement weather is impacting travel, we will have 10:00 and 11:30 a.m. walk-in worship services in English and Spanish respectively unless otherwise announced. As per usual, the 10 a.m. service will be on Zoom. If we cancel services, text and email messaging will be used, and it will be announced on the church web site on the home page, on Facebook and Instagram,

and on Wood TV 8 as well

**ORDINATION SERVICE:** On February 19, our Director of Youth Ministries, Hunter Brumels, will be ordained as a minister of Word and Sacrament in the Reformed Church in America. The service will take place here at 4 PM and will be followed by a celebratory reception.

**BREAKFAST WITH BABY:** Third Reformed Church is responsible for Breakfast with Baby on February 11 from 9:15-11:15 a.m., at the Boulevard Church. There is a sign up sheet in the Gathering Place for volunteers to help serve, make casseroles muffins or sweet breads, or to provide fruit.

**CALLING ALL PICKLEBALL PLAYERS:** There will be pickleball at 10:00 a.m. on Fridays. If a conflict arises, the church calendar will be changed and, if possible, a notice will be placed in Third Church News. There is no need to worry about level of play - just that you're prepared to have a good time!

**CROP Walk:** Thank you for your continued support of the CROP Hunger Walk and its recipient agencies through your collecting of Spartan receipts. Reminder: in order for your SpartanNash receipt to be accepted the whole receipt needs to be turned in. They will not accept the receipts with only the Direct Your Dollars portion. They will, however, accept the whole receipt with your payment information blacked out. Also, be sure to add Sunday, May 21 to your calendars for this year's CROP Hunger Walk, which will start at Centennial Park, at 1:00 p.m.

## Sign Up Today for the Third Church Staytreat

Friday, March 10-12

Sign up on the church website, [trcholland.org](http://trcholland.org), under the discipleship tab.

This is a fun-filled weekend that brings us joy, laughter, learning, delicious food, and wonderful fellowship. In the registration form you'll find an opportunity to volunteer to help set up/clean up/provide activity supervision and more. Additionally, while this weekend is being provided for you at no charge, if you would like to contribute something towards the cost of food and supplies, there's a spot on the form to indicate that as well.

