

EDUCATION HOUR, 11:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

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: "Grace and Social Ethics" led by Angela Carpenter. Meets in the chapel and on Zoom (same link as worship). Next week: Combined Worship With El Encuentro. This is a great opportunity to come together with fellow congregants who worship at Third's second service. For all those who wish they could be in two places at once (this class and El Encuentro), this is your chance! Audio headset translation to English will be provided for the spoken parts of the service.

"The Corinthian Correspondence: The Cross Changes Everything Part Deux" meets in room 22. Class led by George Hunsberger

EL ENCUESTRO (EN ESPAÑOL): Les invitamos a las 11:30 a.m. a reunirnos en la presencia del Señor, escuchar su Palabra y orar juntos. Favor de invitar a sus familiares y vecinos-- ¡Todos son bienvenidos! Nos reuniremos en **Fellowship Hall**. (gimnasio). ¡Nos vemos!

[Translation] **EL ENCUESTRO (SPANISH GATHERING)** We invite you to join us at 11:30 a.m. to spend time in the presence of God through his Word, and to pray together. Feel free to invite your family and friends-- everyone is welcome! We meet in the **Fellowship Hall**. See you! English translation via headset is available.

The Week Ahead

Sunday

8:45 a.m. Kamerkoor
11:15 a.m. Education Hour
11:30 a.m. Spanish Worship Ministry
2:00 p.m. Apple Picking
4:00 p.m. High School Youth Group
5:00 p.m. Carillon Choir

Monday

9:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study (zoom)
1:30 p.m. Miriam Bible Study

Tuesday

9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting
10:00 a.m. Hannah/Elizabeth Bible Study
10:00 a.m. Ruth Bible Study
6:00 p.m. Special Education Ministry
6:30 p.m. Outreach Committee
7:30 p.m. Deacons meeting

Wednesday

6:15 a.m. Men's Bible Study
8:30 a.m. Wednesday Morning Prayers (zoom)
1:30 p.m. Rachel Bible Study
5:30 p.m. LIFT Dinner
6:15 p.m. LIFT Children's Class/Middle School Youth Group
6:30 p.m. LIFT Adult Classes

Thursday

8:00 a.m. Sunrise Saints

Friday

6:30 p.m. High School Bible Study

Saturday

9:30 a.m. Curso de Discipulado en Español (Discipleship Class)

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.

PRAYER SPOTLIGHT: Hospice-Margaret Doorenbos. Appledorn-Bob Kuiper, Donna Prins, Vista Springs-Barb Piaget, Maple Woods-Beth DuMez, American House-Mary Boersen. Missionaries-John & Lynne Hubers (Ethiopia), Angel Lopez (Mexico)

YOUR GENEROUS DONATIONS to last week's special offering resulted in a total of \$6,420 raised in support of Frontera de Gracia border ministries.

LIFT (Life in Faith Together) continues on Wednesday evenings through November 29. Dinner and community celebration time is from 5:30-6:15 p.m., classes and activities for all ages follow. Adult opportunities can be found in Third Church News.

OFFICE HOURS CHANGE: The office will close at noon on Friday through December.

WATERCOLOR CLASS: Kathy Van Tubbergen's watercolor classes this Monday will be "leaf monoprints plus." Please email her, kv_t_art@icloud.com, for availability if you haven't yet signed up. Classes are from 12:30 to 2:30 and 3:30 to 5:30.



APPLE PICKING: It's apple season! Join us **today**, from 2:00-4:00 p.m. for Family Apple picking at Overhiser Orchard, 6405 109th Ave, South Haven. This event will cost \$3 per person to enter the orchard, children under 5 and seniors over 65 are free. This afternoon will be tons of fun that you won't want to miss. From wagon rides to apple picking to a barn full of animals, you are bound to have a blast! Transportation will be provided by the church bus (meet in church parking lot at 1:30) or you can meet us there. Please contact Reghan Harms with any questions about orchard prices or transportation. We hope you can make it!

Genesis 4 "How Far the Fall and How Deep the Hurt"

October 8, 2023

Beginnings
A Genesis Series | Fall 2023

Third Reformed Church

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For up to date information, including staff and ministry contacts,
visit us on the web at <http://www.trcholland.org>

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 8, 2023

10:00 a.m.

The Approach to God

PRELUDE Elevation A Vanden Plas

WELCOME

VOTUM

CALL TO WORSHIP *(responsively)*

Come to the Lord!
Sing praise to our God!
Come to the Lord and call on his name.
We come to the Lord for, in God, we are satisfied.
God fills us with good things. God provides all we need!
Let us praise the provision of God who calls us together.
Praise the Lord!
Praise the Lord!

SALUTATION

*HYMN OF PREPARATION 542 All Glory Be to God on High
Tune: ALLEIN GOTT IN DER HOH SEI EHR

*PASSING OF THE PEACE
The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(responsively)*



Words and music by Isaac Wardell. CCLI # not assigned

(Refrain 2x)

O God, we have fallen so far. You created us in your image, but we have not lived up to it.

You created us to love others.
but we struggle to see beyond our own needs.
You created us to care for your world.
but we waste your gifts.

You created us to work for peace and wholeness.
but we fall for the false security that war and power offer.
Forgive us God. Heal and restore us in the name of your Son Jesus. **Amen.**

O God will you restore us? (refrain 2x)

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

CHILDREN'S TIME

The Word of God

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON: Genesis 4:1-16

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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SERMON "Beginnings: How Far the Fall and How Deep the Hurt"

PRAYER FOR BLESSING ON THE WORD

The Response to God from Psalm 19

The heavens are telling the glory of God,
and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.
Day to day pours forth speech,
and night to night declares knowledge.
There is no speech, nor are there words;
their voice is not heard;
yet their voice goes out through all the earth
and their words to the end of the world.
In the heavens he has set a tent for the sun,
which comes out like a bridegroom from his wedding canopy,
and like a strong man runs its course with joy.
Its rising is from the end of the heavens
and its circuit to the end of them,
and nothing is hid from its heat.
The law of the Lord is perfect,
reviving the soul;
the decrees of the Lord are sure,
making wise the simple;
**the precepts of the Lord are right,
rejoicing the heart;
the commandment of the Lord is clear,
enlightening the eyes;**
the fear of the Lord is pure,
enduring forever;
**the ordinances of the Lord are true
and righteous altogether.
More to be desired are they than gold,
even much fine gold;
sweeter also than honey
and drippings of the honeycomb.**
Moreover, by them is your servant warned;
in keeping them there is great reward.
But who can detect one's own errors?
Clear me from hidden faults.
Keep back your servant also from the insolent;
do not let them have dominion over me.
Then I shall be blameless
and innocent of great transgression.
Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to you,
O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND SHARING THE GIFT OF FELLOWSHIP

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERING

OFFERTORY Hymn of Grateful Praise

All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small,
all things wise and all things wonderful: the Lord God made them all.
Mountains that rise in majesty, rivers racing to the sea,
all things created by God's hand. All heaven and earth at God's command!
Lord of all to thee we raise this, our grateful hymn of praise.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host:
praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy, there is none beside thee,
perfect in power, in love and purity.

For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the sky;
for every day, and every night, the sun and moon, and stars of light.
Lord of all to thee we raise this, our grateful hymn of praise!
—setting by Joel Raney

*DOXOLOGY 965 Tune: OLD HUNDREDETH

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 43 Guide Me, O My Great Redeemer
Tune: RHONDDA

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Toccata in C Francisco Xavier Baptista

*You may stand.

Worship Leaders: Rev. Dr. Ryan Boes, preaching; Rev. Janelle Lopez-Koolbaas, Doug Walvoord, liturgists; Kay Walvoord, prayer for illumination; Kamerkoor; Linda Strouf, Minister of Music.

Today

We welcome all who worship with us! We have sign-in books for members and guests on the cabinets at the back of the sanctuary, and would appreciate it if you took a moment to sign them and let us know you were here. **If you are joining us as a guest today**, please follow this QR code, or head to trcholland.org to let us know you were here.



The flowers at the chancel are given by Al and Jane Osman.

ASSISTING TODAY: Deacons/Ushers: Laura McMullen, Jim Vander Meer, Bethany Bulthuis.

IF YOU DESIRE PRAYER for yourself and/or others Shelly and Faith Millen 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.)