### The Week Ahead

Sunday

8:45 a.m. Kamerkoor 11:15 a.m. Education Hour

11:30 a.m. Spanish Worship Ministry

5:00 p.m. Carillon Choir

6:30 p.m. High School Youth Group

Monday

9:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study (zoom)

7:00 p.m. Martha Bible Study

Tuesday

9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting

1:00 p.m. Women's Ministries Board Meeting

6:00 p.m. Special Education Ministry

6:00 p.m. Consistory Book Discussion & Dinner

7:15 p.m. Consistory Meeting

Wednesday

6:15 a.m. Men's Bible Study

8:30 a.m. Wednesday Morning Prayers (zoom)

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.

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.

SYMPATHY is extended to Larry and Carla Sue in the death of Larry's father, John Sue, on October 7 in Honolulu, Hawaii.

PRAYER SPOTLIGHT: Hospice-Margaret Doorenbos. The Inn or Assisted Living at Freedom Village-Martha Beld, Esther DePree, Mary Heideman, Shirley Hoskbergen, Jack Kuiper, A.E. Lacy, Linda Parchert. Missionaries-Jaime & Martha Amaro (Mexico), Albino & Sandy Rodriguez (Peru).

SPECIAL ADULT EDUCATION HOUR THIS MORNING: We are delighted to welcome members of the Mosaic and Corinthian Correspondence Class to experience worship in Spanish in El Encuentro! We are praying that Third will find much in which to rejoice as we worship with brothers and sisters from many other places, and in a different language. And we trust that any unease from newness will help us all to grow our instincts in hospitality for guests and new members. Your presence, your prayers, your open hearts, and your posture of sharing life together in Christ will be a great gift, even where words or language run short. To God be the glory! ¡A Dios la gloria!

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.

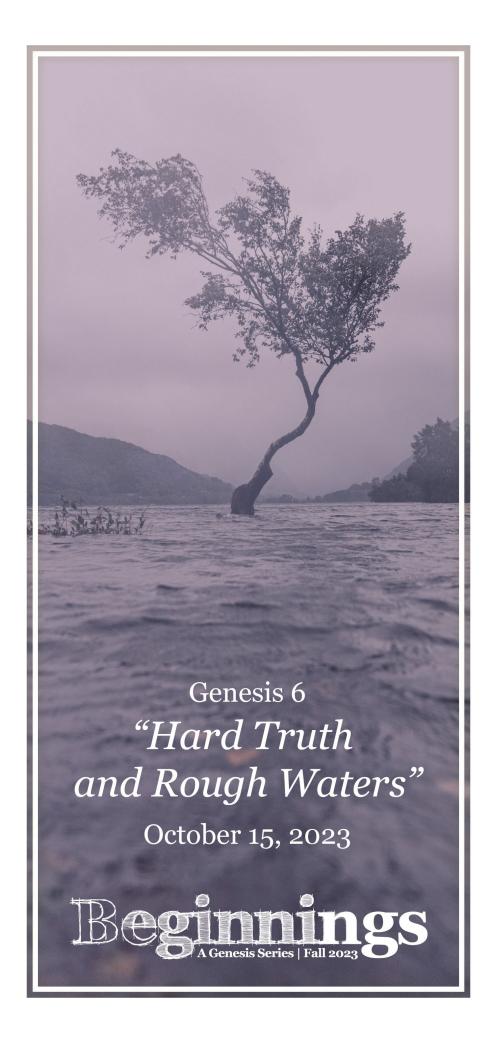
OFFICE HOURS CHANGE: The office will close at noon on Friday through December.

COMBINED WORSHIP SERVICE AND ALL CHURCH LUNCH: On November 5 we will worship together, both Spanish-speaking and English-speaking, at 10 AM. Pastor Angel will deliver the message, and we will celebrate communion. Following the service we will have an all-church meal. There will be no Sunday education that day.

Coming Soon on October 25! Two More Weeks! Dos semanas mas!



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# Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

October 15, 2023

10:00 a.m.

### The Approach to God

PRELUDE Memento verbi tui Peter Sheehan

WELCOME

VOTUM

CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 92:1-4 (responsively)

It is good to give thanks to the Lord,

to sing praises to your name, O Most High,

to declare your steadfast love in the morning and your faithfulness by night,

to the music of the lute and the harp,

to the melody of the lyre.

For you, O Lord, have made me glad by your work; at the works of your hands I sing for joy.

It is good to sing praise to the Lord.

Let us sing of the good works of our God!

SALUTATION

\*HYMN OF PREPARATION

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

Tune: ST. ANNE

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(responsively)

Loving God, ...

In the silence, help us confront the sins we commit and lament the sins we see around us.

(silence)

Forgive us God. Help us to see in the beauty and power of your waters, not the punishment or judgement of our shortcomings, but the faithfulness of your son, Jesus Christ.

Have mercy on us O God. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

\*HYMN

Tu amor, oh Dios, perdura para siempre (see insert in the back of the hymnal) (refrain, verse 2, refrain)

CHILDREN'S TIME

#### The Word of God

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION SCRIPTURE LESSON: Genesis 6

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This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Beginnings: Hard Truth and Rough Waters"

PRAYER FOR BLESSING ON THE WORD

# The Response to God

\*Installation of New Elders and Deacons Beloved in the Lord Jesus Christ, do you receive in the name of the Lord, these deacons and elders as duly elected and ordained servants of Christ? We do.

Do you promise to respect them for the sake of the offices for which they have been chosen and ordained? **We do.** 

Do you promise to encourage and pray for them, to labor together in obedience to the gospel for the unity, purity, and peace of the church, the welfare of the whole world, and the honor of our Lord Jesus Christ?

We do.

Beloved people of God, receive these deacons and elders as Christ's own servants. Support them in love, that their work may bear fruit. In the name and by the authority of our Lord Jesus Christ, I declare that these brothers and sisters are duly installed deacons and elders in this church. **Thanks be to God.** 

PRAYER OF THANSKGIVING

\*GLORIA PATRI

Announcements and Sharing the Gift of Fellowship

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERING

OFFERTORY Song of Courage

Be not afraid, for I am with you. Be not afraid, I will strengthen you.

Do not fear, I will uphold you. Do not fear, for I am your God.

I have called you by name. You are mine. I have redeemed you.

When you pass through troubled waters I am with you. And the rivers of despair shall not overwhelm you.

And when you walk through dangers and trials of fire,

the flames shall not consume you.

For I am the Holy One who saves you.

—based on Isaiah 41:10; 43:1-3

\*Doxology

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Tune: OLD HUNDREDTH

Allen Pote

#### 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

51 When Peace like a River Tune: VILLE DU HAVRE

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Alone to God in the Highest Glory

Nicolaus Vetter

\*You may stand.

Worship Leaders: Rev. Dr. Ryan Boes, preaching; Rev. Janelle Lopez-Koolhaas, liturgist; Mary DeWitt, 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 or you may follow this QR code to sign in. We would appreciate it if you took a moment to sign in you and your family members 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/quickstart to let us know you were here.

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

Consistory members being installed today are: Care Elders-Jeanette Beagley-Koolhaas, Mary DeWitt; Deacon-Pablo Perez.

ASSISTING TODAY: Deacons/Ushers: Laura Baer, Roger DeYoung, Jeff Voskuil.

IF YOU DESIRE PRAYER for yourself and/or others Katherine and George Hunsberger 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, 11:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

Preschool-First Grade room 2 Second-Fifth Grade room 6th-8th grades room 11 Senior High Youth Room

ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES, 11:15-12:15

Mosaic: 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. Next week: "The Theology of I. John Hesselink" led by David Komline.

"The Corinthian Correspondence: The Cross Changes Everything Part Deux" will not meet this week. Please join us at El Encuentro.

**EL ENCUENTRO (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 ENCUENTRO** (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.