

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

February 4, 2024

10:00 a.m.

The Approach to God

PRELUDE

Psalm 147

Wim Bomhof

WELCOME

VOTUM

CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 147 (*responsively*)

Praise the Lord!

How good it is to sing praises to our God,
for he is gracious, and a song of praise is fitting.

The Lord builds up Jerusalem;
he gathers the outcasts of Israel.

**He heals the brokenhearted
and binds up their wounds.**

He determines the number of the stars;
he gives to all of them their names.

Great is our Lord and abundant in power;
his understanding is beyond measure.

**The Lord lifts up the downtrodden;
he casts the wicked to the ground.**

Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving;
make melody to our God on the lyre.

He covers the heavens with clouds,
prepares rain for the earth,
makes grass grow on the hills.

**He gives to the animals their food
and to the young ravens when they cry.**

His delight is not in the strength of the horse
nor his pleasure in the speed of a runner,
but the Lord takes pleasure in those who fear him,
in those who hope in his steadfast love.

Praise the Lord!

SALUTATION

*HYMN OF PREPARATION 572 Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above
Tune: MIT FREUDEN ZART

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*responsively*)

Eternal God,

**You are the God who was, who is, and who is to come. Nothing is
outside of your sight. You know your creation and all its inhabitants for everything
belongs to you. Forgive us God for when we think we can hide. When we run away.
We confess our sin so that we may stand in your sight and remember that we have
been made whole.**

Restore us, O God. Amen.

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.

—Psalm 103, with additions

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND SHARING THE GIFT OF FELLOWSHIP

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Miracle Worker

Lyle K. Neff

There was a man from Galilee who worked his wonders quietly.
As people heard about him, they would come for help from miles away.
Because of him the lame could walk, the deaf could hear, the mute could talk.
Through him, the blind could see, and then the leper's skin was clean again.

Jesus: He was a miracle worker.

Jesus: He was a miracle man.

Jesus: He is the living Savior.

Jesus can save the sinner, yes, he can!

No one is like the miracle worker.

The crowds in desert land he fed, and he could even raise the dead.
Demand reward for this? He could, but asked for only brotherhood.

Of all things this man could do, this most touches me and you:
After dying on a tree, He arose to set us free.

The miracle is Jesus.

—adapted from Mark 1:29-39

*DOXOLOGY

Tune: OLD HUNDREDTH

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 772 My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less
Tune: SOLID ROCK

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Voluntary in D John Stanley

*You may stand.

Worship Leaders: Reghan Harms, preaching: Rev. Dr. Ryan Boes, Rev. Janelle Lopez-Koolbaas liturgists; Benjamin Kamphuis, prayer for illumination; Kamerkoor; Linda Strouf, Minister of Music.

Today

We welcome all who worship with us! We invite you sign in on the fellowship pads in the pew 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.



ASSISTING TODAY: Deacons/Ushers: Pablo Perez, Jeff Voskuil, Bethany Bulthuis

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, 11:15 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: "Belonging: The Church and Individuals with Disabilities" led by Janelle Sievert meets in the chapel. Next week: "A Place to Call Home: a Missionary Kid's Tale" led by George Kraft.

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.*

The Week Ahead

Sunday

- 8:45 a.m. Kamerkoor
- 11:15 a.m. Education Hour
- 11:15 a.m. Carillon Choir
- 11:30 a.m. Spanish Worship Gathering
- 6:30 p.m. High School Youth Group

Monday

- 10:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study
- 1:30 p.m. Watercolor Class
- 7:00 p.m. History Book Group

Tuesday

- 10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting
- 6:15 p.m. Governing Elders' Meeting
- 7:30 p.m. JET Steering Team

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)
- 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
- 1:00 p.m. Care Team Coordinators

Friday

- 6:30 a.m. High School Bible Study

Saturday

- 9:30 a.m. Curso de Discipulado en Español (Discipleship Class)
- 9:30 a.m. El Encuentro Music Rehearsal
- 7:00 p.m. Anna-Lisa Cox Presentation

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: Bob Kuiper is at Resthaven Rehab. Hospice-Margaret Doorenbos, Mary Heideman. Home-Bill Charlton, Barb Mummert; Out of Town-Lucille Schroeder, Ellen Rieck, LaVerne Lievense; Quincy Place-Elle Kuiper. Missionaries-Linn G. (Asia), Lubna Y. (Asia).

The Justice and Equity Team of Third Reformed Church Presents Faith, Freedom and the Founders: The Revolutionary Roots of Equality in America Saturday, February 10, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. (rescheduled from January 13)

In the current debate around the founding values of this nation, important facts about the founding citizens of this nation and Michigan have been lost, including their actions towards freedom and equality. In this inspiring talk, Dr. Anna-Lisa Cox, a Non-Resident Fellow at Harvard University's Hutchins Center for African and African American Research, will detail new historical discoveries that reveal the ways that people of faith and the churches of the Revolutionary era were involved in moving those values forward, and how we can look to this past to give us hope for the future.

WINTER WEATHER POLICY: 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.

OFFICE SCHEDULE: Our office will be closed to the public on Friday afternoons going forward. The church is still available for use, and meetings can still be scheduled for that time frame; however, the office will not be open for regular business.

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE will take place on Wednesday, February 14 at 12:10 p.m. at St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church, 171 W. 13th St.

The All-Church Retreat is a bit over 1 month away! This will be a weekend full of food, fun, and fellowship! Featuring speakers from the RCA, and activities for all ages! Look for more information and the sign up form in in your email later this week or call the church office to sign up.