

# Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 12, 2024

10:00 a.m.

## The Approach to God

PRELUDE            Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven            arr. by Larry Sue

WELCOME

VOTUM

CALL TO WORSHIP            from Psalm 93            *(responsively)*

The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty;  
the Lord is robed; he is girded with strength.

**He has established the world; it shall never be moved;**

your throne is established from of old;  
you are from everlasting.

The floods have lifted up, O Lord,  
the floods have lifted up their voice;  
the floods lift up their roaring.

**More majestic than the thunders of mighty waters,  
more majestic than the waves of the sea,  
majestic on high is the Lord!**

Your decrees are very sure;  
holiness befits your house,  
O Lord, forevermore.

Praise the Lord!

**Praise the Lord.**

SALUTATION

\*HYMN OF PREPARATION            601            All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name  
Tune: CORONATION

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

(The congregation may exchange the Peace.)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION            *(responsively)*

O God of all power and majesty, you created the heavens and stretched them out. You formed the earth and all that comes from it. You give the breath of life to all who walk on the face of the earth. Jesus, you conquered sin and death and now reign victorious. You are Lord; glory is due your name. The former things have come to pass; we now await the new things you will bring through the Holy Spirit. We rejoice to be gathered in your name.

Alleluia! Accept our praise and petitions.

Where we have been corrupt,

**purify us.**

Where we have been in error,

**direct us.**

Where we have given ourselves to unworthy goals,

**reform us.**

Where we have sinned,  
forgive us, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior.

**Amen.**

—Reformed Worship

WORDS OF ASSURANCE My Faith Has Found a Resting Place arr. by Larry Sue  
text by Eliza Edmunds Hewitt

GRATEFUL LIVING

CHILDREN'S TIME

## The Word of God

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

NEW TESTAMENT LESSONS: Acts 1:1-11 p. 118  
Ephesians 1:15-23 p. 192

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

SERMON "We Need Witnesses"

PRAYER FOR BLESSING ON THE WORD

## The Response to God

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: Apostles' Creed *(in unison)*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERING

OFFERTORY O Love How Deep (see right panel) arr. by Alfred V. Fedak

\*DOXOLOGY 965 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      109      Hail to the Lord's Anointed  
Tune: ES FLOG EIN KLEINS WALDVÖGELEIN

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE                      I Thank You, Dear Lord                      Johann Christoph Bach

\*You may stand.

*Worship Leaders: Rev. Dr. Ryan Boes, preaching; Rev. Janelle Lopez-Koolhaas, Reghan Harms, Kit Leggett  
liturgists; Kim DeJongh, prayer for illumination; Carillon Choir; 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 head to [trcholland.org/quickstart](http://trcholland.org/quickstart) to let us know you were here.



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

ASSISTING TODAY: Deacons/Ushers: Laura Baer, Roger DeYoung, Bethany Bulthuis

IF YOU DESIRE PRAYER for yourself and/or others Sarah and Bill Unzicker 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

"Presentation on Trip to Costa Rica" led by Pastor Ryan, Pastor Angel and Laura Baer meets in the chapel.

**This is the final Mosaic Class for the semester**

## The Week Ahead

### Sunday

- 8:45 a.m. Kamerkoor
- 11:15 a.m. Education Hour
- 11:30 a.m. Spanish Worship Gathering

### Monday

- 1:00 p.m. Watercolor Class
- 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
- 12:00 p.m. Lydia Bible Study
- 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)
- 9:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study (zoom)

### Thursday

- 8:00 a.m. Sunrise Saints

### Friday

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

### Saturday

- 9:30 a.m. Curso de Discipulado (en Espanol)
- 9:30 a.m. El Encuentro Music Rehearsal

## 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 616-392-1459.

SYMPATHY is extended to Paula Wilson in the death of her husband, Gayle, on May 7. A service will be held on Tuesday, May 14, at 11:00 a.m. with visitation one hour prior, at Dykstra Mulder Chapel, 188 W. 32nd St.

PRAYER SPOTLIGHT: Hospice-Margaret Doorenbos, Tom Norman, Dennis Gebben. American House-Gayle Wilson; The Inn or Assisted Living at Freedom Village-Esther DePree, Shirley Hoksbergen, A.E. Lacy, Linda Parchert.. Missionaries-Wayne & Miho Jansen (Japan), Angel Lopez (Mexico).

BOOK DISCUSSION: There will be a book discussion on Anna-Lisa Cox's book, "The Bone and Sinew of The Land" on Sunday May 19 at 4:00 p.m. Look for more information in a future edition of Third Church News.

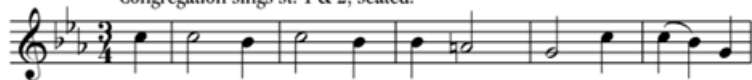
SAVE THE DATE for an ice cream social and budget meeting on Wednesday, June 12. Ice cream will be served beginning at 6:30 with the meeting following at 7:00 p.m.

**PLEASE NOTE:** LIFT has ended for the spring semester. Mark your calendars for summer LIFT which will run Wednesdays June 26-July 31 (no meeting on July 3). Stay tuned for details and volunteer opportunities!

CROP HUNGER WALK: The Holland/Zeeland CROP Hunger Walk was 12th nationally in fundraising last year. Walking on Sunday, May 19 between 1:00 and 3:00 helps people around the world. When you walk in the CROP Hunger Walk, you raise money to alleviate hunger, but you also walk to show solidarity with all those around the world who walk for food, water, or firewood every day. Find out more or register online at [hollandhunger.org](http://hollandhunger.org) or [cwsglobal.com](http://cwsglobal.com)

## O Love, How Deep

Congregation sings st. 1 & 2, seated.



1 O Love, how deep, how broad, how high, how pass - ing  
2 For us bap - tized, for us he bore his ho - ly



thought and fan - ta - sy, that God, the Son of  
fast and hun - gered sore. For us temp - ta - tions



God, should take our mor - tal form for mor - tals' sake.  
sharp he knew, for us the temp - ter o - ver - threw.

*Choir*

For us he prayed, for us he taught,  
for us his daily works he wrought,  
by words and signs and actions, thus  
still seeking not himself, but us.

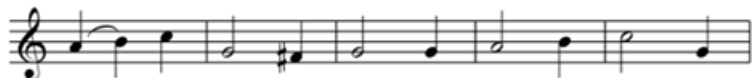
For us to evil power betrayed,  
scourged, mocked, in purple robe arrayed,  
he bore the shameful cross and death,  
for us gave up his dying breath

*Interlude*

Congregation stands and sings remaining stanzas



5 For us he rose from death a - gain; for us he  
6 All glo - ry to our Lord and God for love so  
7 O Love, how deep, how broad, how high, how pass - ing



went on high to reign, for us he sent his  
deep, so high, so broad: the Tri - ni - ty whom  
thought and fan - ta - sy, that God, the Son of



Spir - it here to guide, to com - fort, and to cheer.  
we a - dore for - ev - er and for - ev - er - more!  
God, should take our mor - tal form for mor - tals' sake!

Text: Thomas á Kempis; tr. Benjamin Webb, J.M. Neale, alt.

Music: DEO GRACIAS and DEUS TUORUM MILITUM. Arr. by Alfred V. Fedak.

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