

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

July 14, 2024

10:00 a.m.

The Approach to God

PRELUDE

Fanfare

Gordon Young

WELCOME

VOTUM

CALL TO WORSHIP

(responsively)

**The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it,
the world, and those who live in it,
for he has founded it on the seas
and established it on the rivers.**

Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord?

And who shall stand in his holy place?

**Those who have clean hands and pure hearts,
who do not lift up their souls to what is false
and do not swear deceitfully.**

They will receive blessing from the Lord
and vindication from the God of their salvation.

Such is the company of those who seek him,
who seek the face of the God of Jacob.

**Lift up your heads, O gates!
and be lifted up, O ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in!**

Who is the King of glory?

**The Lord, strong and mighty,
the Lord, mighty in battle.**

**Lift up your heads, O gates!
and be lifted up, O ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in!**

Who is this King of glory?

**The Lord of hosts,
he is the King of glory.**

SALUTATION

*HYMN OF PREPARATION 926 God of Grace and God of Glory
Tune: CWM RHONDDA

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

(The congregation may exchange the Peace.)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(in unison)*

**Holy God,
you call us to be your beloved children and to care for one another, yet we fail to love
others and ourselves. Helpless and ashamed, we turn our hearts to you. Forgive us,**

and then tenderly teach us to stand strong and courageous in the fullness of your love, by the grace and mercy of Christ. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: Ephesians 1:3-14

p. 192

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

*HYMN 433 In God Alone
Tune: IN GOD ALONE

CHILDREN'S TIME

The Word of God

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

GOSPEL LESSON: Mark 6:14-29

p. 40

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ**

SERMON "Power and Truth and Power"

PRAYER FOR BLESSING ON THE WORD

The Response to God

*HYMN (see right side of bulletin) Be Still, My Soul
Tune : FINLANDIA

ANNOUNCEMENTS & SHARING THE GIFT OF FELLOWSHIP

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERING

OFFERTORY How Firm a Foundation arranged by John Rutter

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
is laid for your faith in his excellent Word!
What more can he say than to you he hath said,
to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

'Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dismayed,
for I am thy God and will still give thee aid;
I'll strengthen thee, help thee and cause thee to stand,
upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

When through the deep waters I call thee to go,
the rivers of woe shall not thee overflow;
for I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless,
and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie,
my grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply;
the flame shall not hurt thee; I only design
Thy dross to consume and thy gold to refine.

‘The soul that on Jesus still leans for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to his foes;
that soul, though a hell should endeavour to shake,
I’ll never, no, never, no, never forsake.’
—John Rippon’s collection, 1787

*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

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Amazing Grace

Tune: NEW BRITAIN

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Cortége

Gordon Young

*You may stand.

Worship Leaders: Rev. Dr. Ryan Boes, preaching; Owen Baer, Rev. Janelle Lopez-Koolhaas, liturgists; Evelyn Baer, 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 head to 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: Bruce Bassett, Sandy Stielstra, Jim Vander Meer

IF YOU DESIRE PRAYER for yourself and/or others Ella and Willis Weymon 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.

SUMMER 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.)

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

9:30 a.m. Kamerkoor

11:30 a.m. Spanish Worship Gathering

Tuesday

9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting

1:00 p.m. High School Bible Study

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 Activities

Thursday

12:00 p.m. Youth Camp Chair Cookout

Saturday

9:30 a.m. El Encuentro Music Rehearsal

9:30 a.m. Curso de Discipulado en Español

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.

PRAYER SPOTLIGHT: Blodgett Hospital-Bea Rozeboom. Hospice-Etta Hesselink, Tom Norman, Dennis Gebben. The Inn or Assisted Living at Freedom Village-Esther DePree, Shirley Hoksbergen, A.E. Lacy, Linda Parchert. Missionaries - Jaime & Martha Amaro, Albino & Sandy Rodriguez.

SUMMER LIFT is happening. Join us this week for LIFT. Come enjoy dinner with your fellow Third Church members and friends at 5:30. At 6:15 there will be activities for all ages.

WALK-IN CHOIR: All ages are invited to join a walk-in choir that will next sing during the service on Sunday, August 11. Rehearsal will be in the choir room (lower level rm. #4) at 9:30 a.m. Questions contact Linda Strouf.

CAMPER'S CORNER

Camp Geneva

July 15-19

Clinton Howell

THE THIRD REFORMED CHURCH

Volunteer Fair!



Whether it's with your head, your heart, or your hands; with mini, mid-teen, mid-life, or mature members; in quick ways or quiet ways; with paint brush or pruning shears, dust rag or delicious dish:

We Need You!

Learn more at the
Volunteer Fair on Sunday, August 4

And what's better than a Volunteer Fair? A Volunteer Fair after a fabulous all-church lunch! Combined service at 10 AM, followed by lunch and the fair.