

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 18, 2024

10:00 a.m.

The Approach to God

PRELUDE

Sonata I

Sebastián Albero

WELCOME

VOTUM

CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 111 *(responsively)*

Praise the Lord!

I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart,
in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

Great are the works of the Lord,
studied by all who delight in them.

**Full of honor and majesty is his work,
and his righteousness endures forever.**

He has gained renown by his wonderful deeds;
the Lord is gracious and merciful.

He provides food for those who fear him;
he is ever mindful of his covenant.

He has shown his people the power of his works,
in giving them the heritage of the nations.

The works of his hands are faithful and just;
all his precepts are trustworthy.

**They are established forever and ever,
to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.**

He sent redemption to his people;
he has commanded his covenant forever.

Holy and awesome is his name.

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom;
all those who practice it have a good understanding.

His praise endures forever.

Praise the Lord!

SALUTATION

*HYMN OF PREPARATION 2 O Worship the King
Tune: LYONS

*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)*

Greek

Ky - ri-e e - le - i-son. Ky - ri-e e - le - i-son.

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Loving God, we approach you with contrite hearts. Things are not as they should be. We confess our sin to you now, knowing that you are ready to forgive and your mercy is abundant.

We confess our idolatry. We have put other things in your place.

O God hear our cry for your wholeness.

(silence)

Kyrie

We confess our use of language which belittles, dehumanizes and manipulates.

We are sorry for our words that do such damage. Forgive us.

(silence)

Kyrie

We confess to you our arrogance and our selfishness. We believe we can do whatever we want and we are not accountable to others. We seek to lead without considering how you led. Forgive us.

(silence)

Kyrie

O Lord in your mercy, hear us. **Amen.**

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

GRATEFUL LIVING from Exodus 20 *(responsively)*

God spoke all these words, saying,

I am the Lord your God,

who brought you out of the land of Egypt,

out of the house of slavery;

you shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol,

whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above,

or that is on the earth beneath,

or that is in the water under the earth.

You shall not bow down to them or worship them;

for I the Lord your God am a jealous God,

punishing children for the iniquity of parents,

to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me,

but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those

who love me and keep my commandments.

**You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God,
for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.**

Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy.

Six days you shall labor and do all your work.

But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God;
you shall not do any work—

you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock,
or the alien resident in your towns.

For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea,
and all that is in them,

but rested the seventh day;

therefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

**Honor your father and your mother,
so that your days may be long in the land
that the Lord your God is giving you.**

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house;

**you shall not covet your neighbor's wife,
or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything
that belongs to your neighbor.**

CHILDREN'S TIME

The Word of God

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: I Kings 2:10-12; 3:3-14 p. 304

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

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: Ephesians 5:15-20 p. 194

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

SERMON "Asking for Wisdom"

PRAYER FOR BLESSING ON THE WORD

The Response to God

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: 859 Be Thou My Vision
Tune: SLANE

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND SHARING THE GIFT OF FELLOWSHIP

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERING

OFFERTORY O Salutaris Alessandro Stradella

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 863 Take My Life and Let It Be
 Tune: HENDON

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Sortie in D Major Clément Loret

*You may stand.

Worship Leaders: Rev. Dr. Ryan Boes, preaching; Rev. Janelle Lopez-Koolbaas, liturgist; Loretta Sue Krieger, prayer for illumination; 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: Jim VanderMeer, Sandy Stielstra, Jeff Voskuil.

IF YOU DESIRE PRAYER for yourself and/or others Kim and Matt DeJongh 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

11:30 a.m. Spanish Worship Gathering

Monday

11:00 a.m. Care Elder Meeting

Tuesday

9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting

1:00 p.m. High School Bible Study

7:15 p.m. Consistory

Wednesday

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

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

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: Pray for Karen Porter who recently broke both her wrists. Hospice-Tom Norman, Dennis Gebben. Appledorn-Donna Prins; Holland Cortland-Barb Piaget, Phyllis Brown; Maple Woods-Beth DuMez, Ruth Heideman, Paula Wilson. Missionaries - Linn G. (Asia), Lubna Y. (Asia).



Save the date!

BACK

Wednesday / Miércoles

YARD

September 4 / 4 de septiembre

BASH

5:30 - 7:30 p.m.