

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 11, 2025

10:00 a.m.

— THE APPROACH TO GOD —

PRELUDE

Rigaudon

André Campra

WELCOME

VOTUM

CALL TO WORSHIP

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures;
he leads me beside still waters;

he restores my soul.

He leads me in right paths
for his name's sake.

Even though I walk through the darkest valley,
I fear no evil,

for you are with me;

**your rod and your staff,
they comfort me.**

You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies;

**you anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.**

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life,

**and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord
my whole life long.**

SALUTATION

*HYMN OF PRAISE

Tell Out, My Soul - #364

Tune: WOODLANDS

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

(The congregation may exchange the Peace.)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God,

our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide,
and too deep to undo.

Forgive what our lips tremble to name,
what our hearts can no longer bear,
and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment.

Set us free from a past that we cannot change;
open to us a future in which we can be changed;
and grant us grace to grow
more and more in your likeness and image;
through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. [Amen]

—from the Book of Common Prayer

WORDS OF ASSURANCE Matthew 11:28-30

*HYMN In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful - #357
(sung twice)

Tune: IN THE LORD, I'LL BE EVER THANFUL

CHILDREN'S TIME

Jesus Christ,
the light of the world.

—THE WORD OF GOD—

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: Acts 9:36-43 p. 128

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

SERMON: *Praying from the Future*

PRAYER FOR BLESSING ON THE WORD

—THE RESPONSE TO GOD—

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Healer of Our Every Ill - #303
Tune: HEALER

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND SHARING THE GIFT OF FELLOWSHIP

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *When Thou Art Near* J.S. Bach

*DOXOLOGY - #965

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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

Go to the World - #925

Tune: ENGELBERG

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Trumpet Voluntary

Jeremiah Clarke

*You may stand.

Worship Leaders: Rev. Dr. George Hunsberger, preaching; Rev. Janelle Lopez-Koolhaas, Rev. Dr. Ryan Boes, Joel Schoon-Tanis, liturgists; Linda Fulton, organ.

T O D A Y

We welcome all who worship with us! We invite you sign in on the fellowship pads in the pew. We would appreciate it if you took a moment to sign in yourself and your family members and let us know you were here. **If you are joining us as a guest today**, please use the QR code to the right or head to trcholland.org/quickstart to let us know you were here.

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

ASSISTING TODAY: Deacons/Ushers: Roger DeYoung, Jeff Voskuil, Sandy Stielstra

IF YOU DESIRE PRAYER for yourself and/or others, Marilyn Norman and Phil Coray 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, meets in the chapel.

"Up to Date with Community Action House" led by Jessica Pressley. Next week: "The Faith We Sing...And Why" led by Steve and Karen Stam.

C O N G R E G A T I O N A L N E W S

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 Dan, Kate, Jack, Willem, and Vivian Bolt in the death of their father and grandfather, Richard Bolt, on April 28.

SYMPATHY is extended to Kathleen Verduin in the death of her brother, Paul Verduin, on April 22.

PRAYER SPOTLIGHT: Pray for: Chris Walvoord, Al Gibson, Adriann Divozzo, Robin Klay, Ed Stielstra. The Inn or Assisted Living at Freedom Village -Esher DePree, Harvey Doorenbos, Shirley Hoksbergen, A.E. Lacy, Linda Parchert, Ed Westerbeke. Missionaries-Rowland Jr. & Jane Van Es (Kenya), Albino & Sandy Rodriguez.

As we have launched our new directory, care elders and members alike are eager for profiles to include photos for helping us to put names with faces. If you have not done so, please email a photo of yourself to office@trcholland.org that can be added to your contact information. (It doesn't have to be a professional portrait!) If you need or would like to have your photo taken for you, find Jeanette Beagley or Amy Lunn after the service at on Sunday and they will be happy to snap your picture for you.

CROP HUNGER WALK: The Holland/Zeeland CROP Hunger Walk was 12th nationally in fund raising last year. Walking next Sunday, May 18 between 1:00 and 3:00 helps people around the world. When you walk in the CROP Hunger Walk, you can raise money to alleviate hunger, and also can show your neighbors you care about those who walk for their food, water, or firewood every day. Find out more or register online at: www.hollandhunger.org or cwsglobal.com

COOKIE AND PUNCH SERVERS NEEDED: On May 18th, during the worship service, our Profession of Faith students will be introduced to the congregation. We are in need of punch and cookie servers for the reception we are having after this service. Please let Kristen or Hunter know if you are willing to help serve. Thank you

Do you enjoy watching soccer? An international group made up of folks from TRC & El Encuentro will be playing as a team through Holland Rec. The team will play every Tuesday night at various times at Legends Field in Zeeland. We want to share the fun! Come on out to cheer in English or Spanish! This week, the team will play at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 13. (If you might need a ride, email the church office.)

An Invitation to make a Difference - Bread for the World Offering of Letters: Please make a difference by signing a letter to Bill Huizenga, Gary Peters and Elissa Slotkin in the Gathering Place after today's service to encourage our congress men and woman to support *Nourish Our Future*, this year's Offering of Letters. The Offering of Letters is calling for full funding for WIC (Women, Infants and Children) and robust funding for global nutrition programs that feed children in poor countries. If you would like your children to participate, there are also children's activity sheets available. For more information see the church newsletter.

Please Note: LIFT has ended for the spring semester. Mark your calendars for summer LIFT which will run Wednesdays in July. Stay tuned for details and volunteer opportunities!

THIS WEEK

Sunday

8:45 a.m. Kamerkoor

11:15 a.m. Education Hour

Monday

1:30 p.m. Miriam Bible Study

Tuesday

9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting

10:00 a.m. Ruth Bible Study

1:00 p.m. Care Elder Coordinators'

6:30 p.m. Outreach Committee

7:30 p.m. Deacons' Meeting

Wednesday

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

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

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

1:30 p.m. Rachel Bible Study

Thursday

8:00 a.m. Sunrise Saints

Friday

6:30 a.m. High School Bible Study

Saturday

9:30 a.m. Music Rehearsal

The cover art, by artist in residence Joel Schoon-Tanis, is an evolving painting intended to aid in telling the story of the church year and help us imagine the fullness of the story of God. It will change week to week until the last Sunday of the liturgical year 2024-2025. You may view the painting in the Gathering Place.