

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 2, 2026

10:00 a.m.

—THE APPROACH TO GOD—

PRELUDE *A Prayer of Quiet Thankfulness* Fenton Groden

WELCOME

VOTUM

CALL TO WORSHIP *Responsively*

God meets us in our greatest need
and satisfies us with divine presence and provision.
In gratitude, let us worship the Lord our God.

Alleluia!

Praise the Lord!

The Lord's name be praised.

SALUTATION

*HYMN

God, You Call Us to This Place - #531

Tune: SALZBURG

CHILDREN'S TIME

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *In Unison*

God of compassion, we are sick. We have wrestled all night with worry instead of resting in you. We have asserted our own goodness instead of awakening to yours. We have turned away those hungry for your help instead of trusting you and feeding them from your limitless supply of blessings. Forgive us, heal us, and help us to hold on to you. We call upon you, for you will answer us, O God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

*RESPONSE

Gloria Patri - #961

Tune: GLORIA PATRI

—THE WORD OF GOD—

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Genesis 32:22-31

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

GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 14:13-21

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

SERMON *Not an Interruption*

PRAYER FOR BLESSING ON THE WORD

—THE RESPONSE TO GOD—

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Holy and right it is....we worship and adore your glorious name.

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Most righteous God... Together we proclaim the mystery of the faith:

Christ has died! Christ is risen! Christ will come again!

COMMUNION

HYMN

Eat This Bread - #818

Tune: BERTHIER

(The cantor will sing the verses, congregation singing the refrain during the serving of communion.)

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AFTER COMMUNION

Bless the Lord, O my soul,

and all that is within me, bless his holy name.

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

BLESSING FOR THE OFFERING

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERING

OFFERTORY *Danza Rustica*

Iouri Grichetchkine

*DOXOLOGY - #965

Tune: OLD HUNDREDTH

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

God who hears us, holds us, and helps us,
you are our eternal source of blessing.

You are our endless source of provision.

In your compassion, you see our need;
you heal our sickness and satisfy our hunger.

Hear us now as we pray for the church, the world, and all in need:

O Lord, attend to our cry,

give ear to our prayer.

For our sisters and brothers called by your name throughout the world,

O Lord, attend to our cry,

give ear to our prayer.

Bless your church and help us move forward in mission with you.

O Lord, attend to our cry,

give ear to our prayer.

For the healing and preservation of your creation in heaven
and on earth,

O Lord, attend to our cry,

give ear to our prayer.

For the need of the nations—

wisdom for leaders, vindication and relief for the oppressed—

O Lord, attend to our cry,

give ear to our prayer.

For those who are hungry, ill, vulnerable,
or seeking refuge from adversaries and injustice

O Lord, attend to our cry,

give ear to our prayer.

For all who need you, near and far,
especially those we name now, aloud and in our hearts...

O Lord, attend to our cry,

give ear to our prayer.

For the faithful who have preceded us and in whose steps we follow,

O Lord, attend to our cry,

give ear to our prayer.

Wondrously show us your steadfast love,
that we may behold your face in righteousness
and be satisfied, when we awake,
beholding your likeness;
through Christ our Lord who taught us to pray...

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

My Friends, May You Grow in Grace - #938

Tune: BENEDICTION

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POSTLUDE

Praising

Gilbert M. Martin

*You may stand.

Worship Leaders: Rev. Dr. Ryan Boes, preaching; Rev. Nicholas Loubert, liturgists; John Hubers, cantor; 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. 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 Diann Koeman in memory of her mother, Henrietta Koeman.

ASSISTING TODAY: Deacons/Ushers: Laura Baer, Jeff Voskuil, Bethany Bulthuis. Tech Team: Owen Sievert, Simon Awad, Steve Orlow.

IF YOU DESIRE PRAYER for yourself and/or others, Marilyn Norman and Jane Dalman 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.

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 the family and friends of Elaine Coffill who died on July 22 and to the family and friends of Don Bruggink who died on July 27.

PRAYER SPOTLIGHT: Pray for Betty VanWyngarden, Barb Piaget, Jane Dalman. The Inn or Assisted Living at Freedom Village-Esther DePree, Harvey Doorenbos, A.E. Lacy, Linda Parchert; Missionaries - Wayne & Miho Jansen (Japan), Rowland Jr. & Jane VanEs (Kenya).

SMALL GROUPS: We want to invite you to join us for a new season of small groups here at TRC beginning in the new program year. The curriculum comes to us from Latin America and invites us to consider questions, such as "What is church, how does the spirit equip the church, what is God inviting us into as the church?" These groups require reading and bible study with weekly work. These small groups will meet weekly throughout the fall. We invite you to sign up for a group based on your availability. The groups meet on the following days and times: Sunday evening at 6pm, Wednesday Evening at 6:30pm. You can sign up on a first come, first served basis. There is a limited number of spaces for each group. If there is more interest, we will open more

times. For more information, please see Third Church News.

Are You Thinking of Exploring Membership at Third Reformed Church?

We would like to offer an opportunity for you to discern about making Third Reformed your church home through membership. We are inviting new, regular attenders to gather for a time of getting acquainted, asking questions, and hearing from TRC's pastors about our church's rich foundation, faith tradition, current ministries, and vision for the future. We hope this experience will help you explore commitment and belonging in our congregation.

Our next Exploring Membership class will take place in the upcoming fall semester. If you have questions or would like to have time for conversation with one of the pastors beforehand, we would love to meet with you and chat.

To sign up, please email your RSVP to Pastor Janelle at janelle.lopezk@trcholland.org.

Dates: Wednesdays at 6:30pm; September 16, 23, October 7, 14.

WALK-IN CHOIR: Love to sing, but are busy during the school year? Now's your chance to join the choir. You just need to show up in the choir room at 9:15 on August 16 to rehearse before the worship service. Middle schoolers and up are encouraged to come sing praises to the Lord!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Easiest (and Most Appreciated) Way to Volunteer

Join the Coffee Team! Just a few Sundays per year puts you in a group that is nearly universally appreciated by your church family - the people who give us delicious coffee (and tea) every Sunday. Easy to learn, easy to do - and you don't have to clean up afterward either! If this sounds like a way you could contribute to your church community, hit the button below. Click on the link in this week's Third Church News or call the church office to sign up. Pick dates that work for you, and reach out to Amy Lunn if you'd like some training.

The Coolest (and Most Behind-the-Scenes) Place to Volunteer

If you like technology, want to serve your church community, but hate being in the spotlight, the Tech Team is the place for you. From camera operation to the sound board, to slides and more, we have a place for you. No experience necessary! On the job training provided, and an endless amount of cool stuff to see and learn. If this sounds like it could be a fit for you, click on the link in Third Church News or call the church office! No obligation to stay on the team - just come and learn.

THIS WEEK

Wednesday

- 6:15 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 8:30 a.m. Wednesday Morning Prayers (Zoom)

Friday

- 10:00 a.m. High School Bible Study