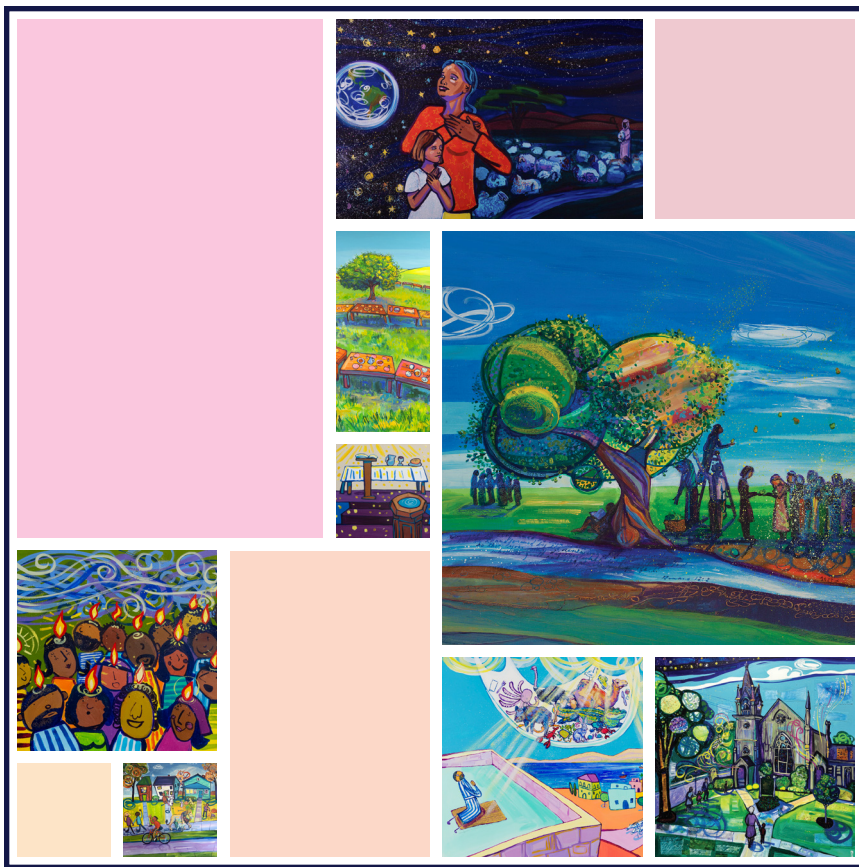




GROW UP TOGETHER!

21ST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 25, 2026

10:00 a.m.

—THE APPROACH TO GOD—

PRELUDE

Fenton Groden

A Thankful Heart

WELCOME

VOTUM

CALL TO WORSHIP

Responsively

Come let us worship the Lord!

Let us gather in the presence of our God!

Happy are you

who do not follow the advice of the wicked

or take the path that sinners tread

or sit in the seat of scoffers;

our delight is in the law of the Lord,

and on his law we will meditate day and night.

You are like trees

planted by streams of water,

which yield their fruit in its season,

and their leaves do not wither.

Let us walk in the way of the Lord!

Praise the Lord!

The Lord's name be praised!

SALUTATION

*HYMN *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* - #776

Tune: EIN FESTE BURG

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

In Unison

Merciful God, we come to you broken and in need of your salvation. We have sinned. Our words and actions and attitudes have been selfish, lustful, violent. Our thoughts have been that of greed and deceit. We gossip about one another and do not seek to do good. Forgive us, God, for our individual actions and our corporate behavior. Guide us into the way of your son, Jesus. Come and heal us and your world. Amen.

HYMN *In an Age of Twisted Values* - (see insert)

Tune: CHURCH UNITED

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

CHILDREN'S TIME

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

—THE WORD OF GOD—

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: Ephesians 4:1-16

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

SERMON *Grow Up Together!*

—THE RESPONSE TO GOD—

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from The Belhar Confession

We believe in one holy, universal Christian church,

the communion of saints

called from the entire human family.

We believe that Christ's work of reconciliation
is made manifest in the church as the community of believers
who have been reconciled with God and with one another.

We believe that this unity of the people of God
must be manifested and be active in a variety of ways:

in that we love one another;

that we experience, practice, and pursue
community with one another;

that we are obligated to give ourselves willingly
and joyfully to be of benefit and blessing to one another;

that we share one faith, have one calling,

are of one soul and one mind;

have one God and Father, are filled with one Spirit,

are baptized with one baptism, eat of one bread

and drink of one cup, confess one name,

are obedient to one Lord, work for one cause, and share one hope.

That together we come to know

the height and the breadth

and the depth of the love of Christ;

together are built up to the stature of Christ,

to the new humanity;

together know and bear one another's burdens,

thereby fulfilling the law of Christ

that we need one another and upbuild one another,

admonishing and comforting one another;

that we suffer with one another

for the sake of righteousness;

pray together; together serve God in this world;

and together fight against all

which may threaten or hinder this unity.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND THE GIFT OF FELLOWSHIP

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERING

OFFERTORY *Let All the People Praise* Craig Courtney

*Sing praise to the Father, sing praise to the Son,
sing praise to the Spirit, our God, Three in One.
Let all the people praise the name of the Lord.*

All voices and instruments praising together; The people are many, the Body is one.

In singing and dancing, in writing and painting; one in the Spirit, the old and the young.
The Lord has been faithful to all generations, walking beside us through smoke and through flame.
In sunshine and shadow, protecting, providing; in all times and seasons, ever the same!

(youth and children)

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home!
(The Congregation is invited to stand and sing with the choir.)

**O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,
our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home!**

—Susan Bentall Boersma, based on Psalm 148

*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 *My Friends May Your Grow in Peace* - #938

Tune: BENEDICTION

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POSTLUDE *A Mighty Fortress is Our God* Johann Pachelbel

*You may stand.

Worship Leaders: Rev. Dr. Ryan Boes, preaching; Beatrix Schoon-Tanis, Rev. Janelle Lopez-Koolhaas, liturgists; Joel Schoon-Tanis, children's time; Sam Machado, piano; Kamerkoor; Linda Strouf, Minister of Music.

TODAY



We welcome all who worship with us! Please take a moment to sign in yourself and your family members, using the pad in the pew or our online form, and let us know you were here. If you are joining us as a guest today, please use this QR code or head to trcholland.org/quickstart to let us know you were here.

The flowers by the chancel are given by Barb Tenpas in memory of her husband, Bill.

This morning's anthem, "Let All the People Praise!" by Craig Courtney (ASCAP) and words by Susan Bentall Boersma was commissioned in celebration of the 150th Anniversary (1867-2017) of the Third Reformed Church, Holland, MI. Given by Elliot and Elaine Tanis in gratitude for their more than fifty years of membership.

ASSISTING TODAY: Deacons/Ushers: Dan Callam, John Green, Ella Weymon. Tech Team: Simon Awad, David Krieger, Owen Sievert, Marj Hoekstra, Greyson Boes, Ramon Castelo.

IF YOU DESIRE PRAYER for yourself and/or others, Ruth Sill and Mary DeWitt will be available to pray with you after the 10 a.m. service in the Place of Prayer, located at the end of the south hallway next to the Pine Street doors.

CHILDREN AND WORSHIP: For children aged 4 through the 2nd grade runs during the 10:00 a.m. service in Room 2 downstairs. (Take the northwest staircase down, the room is the first door to your right.)

EDUCATION HOUR BY GRADES

11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. - Preschool to 5th - Room 1

11:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m. - 6th to 8th - Room 10; 9th to 12th - Room 11.

ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES, 11:30-12:15, meets in the chapel.

Today's class: "The Peaceable Kingdom: The Al Amana Centre and Interfaith Dialogue led by Kathy Schoon-Tanis, Jean and Steve Norden, and Kristen Gray. Next week: "Funerals at TRC: Questions and Answers" led by TRC Pastoral Staff

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: Hospice-Betty VanWyngarden, Judy Schutter. Pray for Sarah Unzicker who is in the hospital following a stroke, Jae Dalman, Anderson Speet and Josh Klaaren (Mary's son). The Inn or Assisted Living at Freedom Village-Esther DePree, Harvey Doorenbos, Linda Parchert. Missionaries: Rowland Jr. & Jane VanEs (Kenya), Wayne & Miho Jansen (Japan).

First Reformed Church (630 State Street in Holland) invites the community to a Prayers for Peace service on Monday, November 2, from 5:30-6:00-PM. On the eve of Election Day, we will gather to pray for our communities, our state, and our country as our citizens vote, for the safety and integrity of the voting process, and for peace and respect in our communities during and after the election. As followers of Christ, we trust that God is greater than our fears and faithful in every circumstance.

NEXT WEEK: We will remember the saints of the church and will celebrate communion.

SAVE THE DATE! We will be celebrating God's provision and abundant love by gathering for a Thanksgiving service here at Third Reformed Church. This year we will be gathering Wednesday evening, November 25 at 5:30pm for this service. This service will include communion and a sharing of what we are thankful for this year. Join us for this meaningful time of thanksgiving!

THIS WEEK

Sunday

- 8:45 a.m. Kamerkoor
- 11:30 a.m. Education Hour
- 5:15 p.m. Middle School Youth Group
- 6:30 p.m. Dinner for Middle and High School Students
- 7:15 p.m. High School Youth Group

Monday

- 6:00 p.m. Tech Team
- 7:15 p.m. Stewardship Committee (Zoom)

Tuesday

- 9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting

- 5:30 p.m. Anti-Racism Policy Committee
- 6:00 p.m. Special Ed. Ministry

Wednesday

- 6:15 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 6:30 a.m. High School Bible Study
- 8:30 a.m. Wednesday Morning Prayers on Zoom
- 5:30 p.m. LIFT Dinner
- 6:15 p.m. LIFT Classes
- 6:15 p.m. Youth at Shift Climbing

Thursday

- 8:00 a.m. Sunrise Saints

In an Age of Twisted Values



1 In an age of twist - ed val - ues we have lost the
 2 We have built dis - crim - i - na - tion on our prej - u -
 3 When our fam - i - lies are bro - ken, when our homes are
 4 We who hear your word so of - ten choose so rare - ly



truth we need. In so - phis - ti - ca - ted lan - guage
 dice and fear. Ha - tred swift - ly turns to cruel - ty
 full of strife, when our chil - dren are be - wil - dered,
 to o - bey. Turn us from our will - ful blind - ness;



we have jus - ti - fied our greed.
 if we hold re - sent - ments dear.
 when they lose their way in life,
 give us truth to light our way.



By our strug - gle for pos - ses - sions we have robbed the
 For com - mu - ni - ties di - vid - ed by the walls of
 when we fail to give the ag - ed all the care we
 In the pow - er of your Spir - it come to cleanse us,



poor and weak. Hear our cry and heal our na - tion;
 class and race, hear our cry and heal our na - tion;
 know they need, hear our cry and heal our na - tion;
 make us new; hear our cry and heal our na - tion



your for - give - ness, Lord, we seek.
 show us, Lord, your love and grace.
 help us show more love, we plead.
 till our na - tion hon - ors you.