

# The Armor of God

## 24th Sunday after Pentecost

*November 15, 2026* *10:00 a.m.*

### —The Approach to God—

**Prelude** *Canzonetta*
William Mathias

**Welcome**

**Votum**

**Call to Worship** based on Ephesians 4:12-13
*Responsively*
O come, let us worship and bow down,
let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!
**For the Lord is our God and we are the people of God's pasture.**
**We are the sheep of God's hand.**
Let us pray.
**Triune God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, you have adopted us as your children, you lavish your grace upon us at Word and table. May all we do here equip us for ministry, build us up as the body of Christ, strengthen our unity in faith, deepen our knowledge of Jesus, our Lord, and help us to grow into maturity as your children, reflecting the full stature of Christ. Amen.**

**Salutation**

***Hymn** *Lead On, O King Eternal - #328*
Tune: LANCASHIRE

**Children's Time**

***Passing of the Peace**
The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

**Prayer of Confession**
*In Unison*
**Have mercy upon us, O God,**
**according to your steadfast love;**
**according to your abundant mercies,**
**blot out our transgressions.**
**Wash us thoroughly from our iniquity,**
**and cleanse us from our sin.**
**For we know our transgressions,**
**and our sin is ever before us.**

**Create in us a clean heart, O God,**
**and put a new and right spirit within us.**
**Cast us not away from your presence,**
**and take not your Holy Spirit from us.**
**Restore to us the joy of your salvation,**
**and uphold us with a willing spirit.**
**Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## Words of Assurance

## —THE WORD OF GOD—

## Prayer for Illumination

## New Testament Lesson: Ephesians 6:10-20

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

## Sermon *The Armor of God*

## —THE RESPONSE TO GOD—

## Celebration of the Lord's Supper

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 *There Is a Redeemer - #833* Tune: there is a redeemer

## 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.**

## Presentation of Tithes and Offering

## Offertory *Write Your Blessed Name, O Lord* Dale Grotenhuis

Write your blessed name, O Lord, upon my heart,
there to remain so indelibly engraved
that no prosperity, that no adversity

shall ever move me from your love.

Be to me a strong tower of defense,
a comforter in tribulation, a deliverer in distress,
and a faithful guide to the courts of heaven
through many temptations and dangers of this life.
O Jesu, my only Savior!
—Thomas à Kempis

*Doxology - *#965* Tune: old hundredth

*Hymn *Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing - #933* Tune: sicilian mariners

*Benediction

Postlude *Sortie* J. Cumellas Ribó

*You may stand.

*Worship Leaders: Rev. Nicholas Loubert, preaching; Willem Bolt, Rev. Dr. Ryan Boes, liturgists; 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 Al and Jane Osman.

Assisting Today: Deacons/Ushers: Jeff Voskuil, Dan Callam, John Green; Tech Team: Simon Awad, Mike Rannow, Marj Hoekstra, Owen Sievert, Greyson Boes, Ramon Castelo.

If You Desire Prayer for yourself and/or others, Ella and Willis Weymon 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: "Christian Nationalism and American History" led by James Bratt

## CONGREGATIONAL NEWS

*Please remember in prayer those in the hospital and in care facilities.*

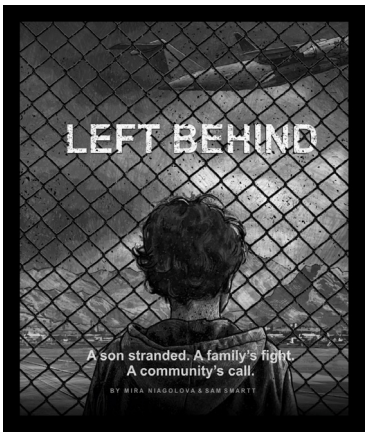
Please remember to have someone notify the church office when you are in the hospital so you can receive spiritual care by the pastoral staff. Call 616-392-1459.

PRAYER SPOTLIGHT: Hospice-Betty VanWyngarden, Judy Schutter. Pray for Jane Dalman and Grayson Sievert. Home-Mary Boersen, Reno Lamania; Quincy Place-Elle Kuiper; Out of Town-Ellen Rieck, Tom TenHoeve. Missionaries: Linn G. (Asia), Lubna Y. (Asia).

COMMUNITY-WIDE THANKSGIVING SERVICE: Christians Uniting in Song and Prayer (CUSP) invites everyone to its annual community-wide Thanksgiving worship service, to be held at Trinity Reformed Church (712 Apple Avenue in Holland) on Sunday, November 22, at 5:30PM. The service will feature a choir drawn from area congregations, accompanied by both organ and brass. Our preacher will be Rev. Jen Rozema, pastor of Gibson Church. A freewill offering will be taken up, and light refreshments will be served afterward.

THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE & OFFERING: There will be a Thanksgiving Eve Service on Wednesday, November 26 at 5:30 p.m. The Thanksgiving Eve offering will be designated for Community Action House. Community Action House works to end poverty in our community and help families prosper. They provide area families and individuals with food, clothing, shelter and the opportunity to build necessary skills to achieve a stable and prosperous life.

CHRISTMAS COOKIES NEEDED: It's that time of year again! We would love your delicious, homemade (or store-bought) cookies for our various holiday events and celebrations. You may drop them off in the kitchen and we will freeze them until they are needed. Thank you in advance for your help with this!




LEFT BEHIND (35 min) tells the story of the Amiri family separated from their oldest son Ahmadzai during the evacuation of Kabul, and his harrowing 18-month journey to reunite with his family, newly resettled in Holland. Intersection Ministries and Third Reformed Church co-sponsored the Amiri family starting in December 2021. Please join us on Sunday, November 22, at 4:00 p.m., at the Hope College Bultman Student Center, 272 Columbia Ave., Holland MI 49423, for a special sneak peek screening of this new short film, followed by a conversation with the participants, along with co-directors Mira Niagalova (Champlain College in Burlington, VT) and Sam Smartt (Calvin University).

Our Children's Ministry is in great need of volunteers to help teach and care for our kids during Sunday services starting in January. The commitment is flexible—as little as once a month! No previous teaching experience is needed, just a heart to serve. To learn more or get started, please email Anya Wolters at anyawolters321@gmail.com. Thank you!

## Community Action House Food Drive

Third is partnering with Community Action House to provide healthy food access, resource connection, and stability for families in our community. The Thanksgiving Eve offering will be designated for Community Action House, and we are also partnering with them to do a food drive. We will be collecting food during the Thanksgiving Eve Service, as well as the Sundays before and after (November 22 and 29). Donations can be brought to the boxes outside the church office.

Most Needed Items:

- Beans (black, pinto, lentils - canned or dried)
- Rice (brown or basmati)
- Cooking oil (olive, canola, etc.)
- Canned vegetables
- Canned protein (tuna or chicken)
- Soup (low sodium)
- Pasta (whole wheat or gluten-free)
- Coffee or tea
- Toilet paper
- Laundry detergent (small/medium)
- Feminine hygiene products (tampons & pads)

## 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**
- 10:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study
- 6:00 p.m. Tech Team
- 7:00 p.m. Martha Bible Study

**Tuesday**
- 9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting
- 6:00 p.m. Special Ed. Ministry
- 7:15 p.m. Consistory

**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

**Thursday**
- 8:00 a.m. Sunrise Saints