

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 1, 2007

10:00 a.m.

THE APPROACH TO GOD

PRELUDE Fantasia in C Minor

J.S. Bach

VOTUM

SENTENCES *(responsively)*

We come to worship God in our need,
bringing with us the needs of the world.
We come to God, who comes to us in Jesus,
and who knows by experience what human life is like.
We come with our faith and with our doubts,
we come with our hopes and with our fears.
We come as we are because it is God who invites us to come,
and God has promised never to turn us away.

SALUTATION

+*HYMN OF PRAISE *Hymns, Psalms & Spiritual Songs 262*

God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand Tune: NATIONAL HYMN

*PRAYER *(in unison)*

**God, our rock, our refuge, our resting place,
we come to you.
Out of another busy week of work,
out of our struggles to be meaningful in our world,
out of our desire to meet you and know you
as the center of our being,
we come to you, O unmovable Rock of our security. Amen.**

*PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**
(congregation may exchange the Peace)

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(in unison)*

silent prayers 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.**

KYRIE *Sing! A New Creation 52*

Lord, have mercy. (sung three times)

WORDS OF ASSURANCE *(responsively)*

If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities,
Lord, who could stand?
But there is forgiveness with you,
so that you may be revered.
O Israel, hope in the LORD!

**For with the LORD there is a steadfast love,
and with him is great power to redeem.
It is he who will redeem Israel
from all its iniquities.**

—Psalm 130:3-4, 7-8 NRSV

RESPONSE *Sing! A New Creation* 72
I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me

Tune: JESUS LIFTED ME

CALL TO NEW OBEDIENCE

CHILDREN LEAVE FOR WORSHIP CENTER

THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: Colossians 1:15-23

p. 200

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Psalm 85

p. 543

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

*HYMN OF PREPARATION *Sing! A New Creation* 205

Healer of Our Every Ill

Tune: HEALER

SERMON "Is There Still Hope?"

RESPONSE (*see insert*)

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

Tune: SHOWALTER

SILENT PRAYER AND REFLECTION

THE RESPONSE TO GOD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: (*in unison*)

**Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality
with God as something to be exploited,
but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death—
even death on a cross.
Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess to the glory of God:
Jesus Christ is Lord!**

—from Philippians 2:5-11, NRSV

SIGNING OF THE FRIENDSHIP FOLDER

OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINISTRY AND FELLOWSHIP

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

Air from Orchestral Suite No. 3

J.S. Bach

VOCAL SOLO

Neidlinger

Spirit of God, descend upon my heart,
Wean it from earth, to joys that dwell above;
Lift me from weakness, mighty as Thou art,
Teach me to love Thee as I ought to love.

I ask no dream, no passing ecstasies,
No ceaseless dwelling in this veil of clay.
Just send Thine angel thoughts thro' opening skies,
And take the dimness of my soul away.

Teach me to feel that Thou art always nigh;
Teach me the struggles of the day to bear;
To check the rising doubt, the rebel sigh;
Teach me the patience of unceasing prayer.
—George Croly

*DOXOLOGY *Hymns, Psalms, & Spiritual Songs* 592

Tune: OLD HUNDREDTH

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*in unison*)

**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 *Hymns, Psalms, & Spiritual Songs* 432

Song of Hope

Tune: ARGENTINA

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

God of Our Fathers

arr. by Daniel E. Gawthrop

+Latecomers will be seated.

*Those who are able may stand.

Worship Leaders: Rev. Karsten Voskuil, preaching; Rev. Kama Jongerius Zuidema, liturgist; Alan Beagley, reader; Jeanette Beagley, prayer of thanksgiving and intercession; Harvey Doorenbos, prayer for illumination; Henry Ottens, soloist; Linda Strouf, Minister of Music.

TODAY

We welcome all who worship with us and ask visitors and members to sign the Friendship Folders so that we may get to know one another.

Please join us in the Gathering Place for refreshments and fellowship after the worship service.

The flowers at the chancel today are in celebration of the marriage of Kirsten Walvoord and Erich Minton yesterday in our sanctuary.

We welcome Rev. Karsten Voskuil as our guest preacher today. Karsten is a former member of Third and is the pastor at Trinity Reformed Church in Grand Rapids.

FOR THOSE WHO DESIRE PRAYER for yourself and others, Jane Dykstra and Dennis Gebben will be available to pray with you following today's worship service. Please make your way to the Place of Prayer following the service (located in the south hallway on the main level).

ASSISTING TODAY: Greeters – Irwin and Barbara Brink, Lars and Carol Granberg, Steve and Peg Van Grouw; Ushers – Tim and Jon Hoffman; Deacons – Jon Rietberg, Kim McDonough, Rick Frens, Jeff Voskuil; Refreshment Servers – Don and Lois Van Lare.

CHILD CARE is available in the nurseries during the worship service. Attendants: Susie Vander Kolk, Andy Zoerman, Elly Muiderman, Peg Van Grouw.

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP: Children 4 years through 2nd grade will be ushered from the sanctuary during the worship service to continue worship in room 12 on the lower level.

THIS WEEK

TUESDAY

9:00 a.m. Staff
7:30 p.m. Women's Softball Game at South Olive

WEDNESDAY

Church office closed

THURSDAY

9:30 a.m. Moms of Young Children

FRIDAY

10:00 a.m. Women's Prayer Group

PERSONAL

Share your prayer concerns by using the prayer request cards found in the Friendship Folders. Place the requests in the offering plate or prayer box at the back of the sanctuary. Please remember in prayer those in the hospital and in care facilities.

SYMPATHY is extended to Wes and Karin Granberg-Michaelson in the death of Wes's mother, Marjorie Michaelson-Smith, on June 18, in Illinois.

SYMPATHY is extended to the family and friends of Sis Daniels who died June 23.

SYMPATHY is extended to Mark and Crystal Walvoord in the death of Crystal's father, Winfield Ramsey, on June 25 in Lenox, Iowa.

CONGRATULATIONS to Ruth Thompson whose 91st birthday is Monday; and to Dorothy Sheets whose 92nd birthday is Tuesday.

PRAYER SPOTLIGHT: Don Lievense and Jack Leenhouts have returned home from the hospital. Libby Boven has returned home from Oak Crest. Resthaven Care Center – Arnolda Otting, Helen Van Zanden, Ada Ver Hulst; Maple Woods – Joe Otting; Oak Crest – Alma Kuiper; The Laurels of Hudsonville – John De Kraker. In the Military – Tom Piaget, German Moran, David Mummert.

CAMPER'S CORNER

Camp Fowler

July 1- 7
Josey Beird

Camp Geneva
July 2-6
James Ashcroft
Jonathan Hoffman

GENERAL ITEMS

COOKBOOKS: The cookbooks have arrived. Please come to the church office during the week to pick one up. Cost is \$10.00 each.

PUG: If you haven't signed up yet to greet, usher, or serve coffee and juice this summer please stop in the Gathering Place and sign up today.

The minutes from the June 12 Children's Ministries Dream Team meeting are available in the church office.

Anyone attending the women's conference in Chicago please call the church office this week.

ADDRESS DIRECTORY: We will soon be updating the Third Reformed Church Address Directory. Please look at last year's directory to make sure your contact information is correct. If you have new information please let Kristen in the church office know.

The congregation is invited to attend the Ordination Service of Anna Hunsberger Bogertman this afternoon at 4:00 p.m. in our sanctuary. Anna has accepted a Call from Second Reformed Church in Zeeland to serve as their Associate Pastor.

THE CHURCH STAFF

Interim Pastor	Richard Bates
Minister of Congregational Life	Kama Jongerius Zuidema
Calling Pastor	William Unzicker*
Coordinator of Congregational Care	Delores Bechtel*
Minister of Music	Linda K. Strouf*
Director of Children's Ministries	Marcia Floding*
Youth Director	Nate Schipper
Young Disciples Director	Michelle Millen*
Seminary Intern	Mark Reynoso*
Children's Choir Director	Mary Van Voorst*
Secretaries	Kristen Beckner, Carol Ter Beek*
Custodian	Mark Faga
Kitchen Coordinator	Judy Bosch*
Treasurer/Interim Administrator	Harvey J. Buter*
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A Stephen Ministry Congregation

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Irwin Brink
Lorna Cook
Deb DuMez
Greg Dykhouse

Mark Hiskes
Kristen Johnson
John Nordstrom
Ed Stielstra

PARISH ELDERS

Kathy Miedema (1)
Renske Karsen (2)
Charles Hunt (3)
Marilyn Norman (4)
Sarah Unzicker (5)
Katherine Hunsberger (6)
Anna Ritsema (7)
Sherrill Ball (8)
Jan Benningfield (9)
Mike Van Doornik (10)
Roger Rietberg (11)
Wayne Westenbroek (12)

Lynne Caskey (13)
Milly Ten Brink (14)
Bill Doezema (15)
Scott Millen (16)
Jeff Maatman (17)
John Hoekstra (18)
Elaine Tanis (19)
(20)
Phyllis Brown (21)
Barb Moreau (22)
Lucille Schroeder (23)
Kate Bolt (24)

DEACONS

Karin Ashcroft
Habeeb Awad
Jeff Beird
Lynne Bonnette
Steve Bulthuis
Rick Frens
Laura Halsey
Linda Jacobs

Kim McDonough
Jay Mosterd
Jon Rietberg
John Ruiten
Bekah Schipper
Tom Ten Hoeve
Jeff Voskuil

MISSIONARIES WE SUPPORT

Jaime Amaro, Monterrey, Mexico
Martha Amaro, Monterrey, Mexico
Roger De Young, Mission Stewardship and Coordinator
for Mexico and Venezuela
Lance and Elizabeth Edwards, Mozambique
James and Sharon Heneveld, Chiapas, Mexico
Wayne and Miho Jansen, Japan
Rowland, Jr. and Jane Van Es, Kenya
Betty Voskuil, Coordinator, Reformed Church World Service and
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