

**THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER**

*April 6, 2008*

*8:30 and 11:00 a.m.*

*Let the first note of the prelude be a call for  
personal meditation in preparation for worship*

**THE APPROACH TO GOD**

PRELUDE

Christ is Alive!

Wilbur Held

VOTUM

CALL TO WORSHIP (*responsively*)

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

**His love endures forever.**

In our anguish we cried to the Lord,

and he answered by setting us free.

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

**His love endures forever.**

The Lord is our strength and our song;

he has become our salvation.

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

**His love endures forever.**

SALUTATION

+\*HYMN OF PRAISE *Sing! A New Creation 4*

Come, All You People

Tune: UYAI MOSE

(Choir will sing the first verse one time, congregation will join on the second time through, repeating verse one.)

\*INVOCATION

\*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*)

**God of heaven and earth,  
we confess.**

**We have had a hand in this crucifixion**

**by which this good one, this lovely one, this true one Jesus  
was banished from our presence, and extinguished.**

**We are part of a world that is strangely malformed  
to do violence to the innocent, to oppress the weakest,  
to regard wealth and power as more deserving,  
to injure the earth,**

**and to withhold even a cup of cold water.**

**With others who have had to confess it before us,  
we are men and women and children of unclean lips,  
and we dwell among a people of unclean lips.**

**We are sorry.**

**We have violated your love for us,**

**we have refused your dreams and intentions for this world,  
we have been deaf to your gentle call to come back home.**

**But you are not deterred.**

**You love us while we are yet sinners.**

**You promise us you are making the world right again.**

**You rush to greet us at the slightest glimmer**

**that we are turning to you.**

**So we are ready. With our whole heart, we return to you!  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.**

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

CALL TO NEW OBEDIENCE

CHILDREN'S GATHERING AND DISMISSAL TO WORSHIP CENTERS

**THE WORD OF GOD**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 24:13-35 p. 90  
This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

\*HYMN OF PREPARATION *Hymns, Psalms, & Spiritual Songs* 108  
Christ Is Alive Tune: TRURO

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: Acts 2:14a, 22-41 p. 119  
This is the Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

SERMON "We don't crown Jesus Lord—Check the script!"

SILENT PRAYER AND REFLECTION

**THE RESPONSE TO GOD**

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: Apostles' Creed (in unison)  
**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.  
Amen.**

\*GLORIA PATRI *Hymns, Psalms, & Spiritual Songs* 579 Gloria Patri

SIGNING OF THE FRIENDSHIP FOLDER

OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINISTRY AND FELLOWSHIP

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight David Cherwien

ANTHEM (8:30)

Michael Praetorius

Sing a new song with a voice of triumph,  
Make his praises known to all the nations;  
Sing the honor of his Name.

(11:00)

Heinrich Schütz

Christ is arisen! Christ is arisen from the dead.  
The fears of hell He did allay  
And led His own from them away  
To dwell with Him in endless day.

*Christ is arisen, Alleluia!*

All Christians may rejoice today  
And praise the Holy Trinity  
Forever to eternity.

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

Tune: OLD HUNDREDTH

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

THE LORD'S PRAYER ecumenical version (*in unison*)

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed by your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.**

\*HYMN OF DEDICATION (*see insert*)

Christ for the World We Sing

Tune: ITALIAN HYMN

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain Wilbur Held

+Latecomers will be seated.

\*Those who are able may stand.

*Worship Leaders: Dr. George Hunsberger, preaching; Rev. Kama Jongerius, liturgist; Sue Pettinga, prayer for illumination; Matins Choir; Sanctuary Choir; 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 given by Al and Jane Osman.

We welcome Dr. George Hunsberger as our guest preacher today. George is Professor of Congregational Mission and Director of the Doctor of Ministry program at Western Theological Seminary.

FOR THOSE WHO DESIRE PRAYER for yourself and others, Peg Van Grouw and Tom Ter Haar will be available to pray with you following today's worship services. Please make your way to the Place of Prayer following the service (located in the south hallway on the main level).

ASSISTING TODAY: Greeters – (8:30) John and Mary Amell; (11:00) Reno and Thanh Lamanía, Trygve and Kristen Johnson, Bill and Charlotte Garlough; Ushers – Bill and Carol Doezema; Deacons – (8:30) John Ruiters, Kim McDonough; (11:00) Bekah Schipper, Tom Ten Hoeve, Jay Mosterd, Karin Ashcroft; Refreshment Servers – Ron and Barbara Hartgerink.

CHILD CARE is available in the nurseries during the worship service. Attendants: Susie Vander Kolk, Andy Zoerman, Sarah Boersen

ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES, 9:40-10:40 a.m., "A Study of The Belhar Confession" led by John Hesselink in the chapel. NEXT WEEK: "The Cross in the Christian Faith" led by Leanne Van Dyk.

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP: Children 4 years through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade will be ushered from the sanctuary during the worship service to continue worship in the Worship Centers on the lower level.

**VESPER SERVICE**  
6:00 p.m. in the chapel

"International Student Ministry – WTS"  
Jeanette Beagley, worship leader

**THIS WEEK**

**SUNDAY**

8:00 a.m. Matins Choir  
6:00 p.m. Vesper Service

**MONDAY**

8:30 a.m. Gifts & Memorials Committee

**TUESDAY**

8:00 a.m. Ruth Circle at Sunny Boeve's  
(308 Foxcroft Circle)  
9:15 a.m. Staff Meeting  
9:30 a.m. Elizabeth and Hannah Circles

**WEDNESDAY**

6:15 a.m. Men's Bible Study  
6:30 a.m. Sunrise Saints  
8:00 a.m. Wednesday Morning Prayers  
1:30 p.m. Rachel Circle  
6:45 p.m. Sanctuary Choir

**THURSDAY**

7:00 p.m. Special Education Ministry

**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.

PRAYER SPOTLIGHT: Holland Hospital – Tina Greve. Marian Vande Bunte is at The Inn, and Lynne Ihrman is at Resthaven Care Center. Hospice House – Lois Van Oosterhout, Harold Verduin. Resthaven Care Center – Arnolda Otting, Joe Otting, Helen Van Zanden, Ada Ver Hulst; Maple Woods – Vesta Speet; Oak Crest Manors – Alma Kuiper. In the Military – Mark South, Christine Loman, David Mummert, Tom Piaget.

**GENERAL ITEMS**

Be sure to pick up your copy of this week's "Taking Faith Home" bulletin. They can be found at the West entrance to the sanctuary and on the literature table in the Gathering Place.

CROP WALK: Saturday, April 26 or Sunday, April 27, you can participate in the largest Crop Walk in Michigan. Thanks to you and your friends, the Holland/Zeeland Crop Walk is our state's largest, having raised over \$3,000,000 to give poverty. Please sign up to walk or sponsor a walker at the table in the Gathering Place today. Thank you!

WHAT'S FOR DINNER? will be back on Friday, April 25. Sign-up will be Sundays, April 13 and 20. Questions please call Susan Formsma, 399-1007 or Sue Ten Hoeve, 546-3511.

INQUIRER'S CLASS: A four week Inquirer's Class will begin Sunday, April 13 at 9:40 a.m. in the office conference room. This will be a series of informational sessions for persons interested in learning more about Third Reformed Church and possible membership. We will review the basic history and teachings of the Reformed church, the particular history, organization, and mission of Third Reformed Church, and the procedures for persons becoming members. If you would like to participate in these sessions led by John Nordstrom, it would be helpful to him if you inform the secretary in the church office, 392-1459 or [trc@macatawa.org](mailto:trc@macatawa.org), so he can prepare enough materials for everyone.

THE PLUNGE: The plunge is a one-day, large scale volunteer service effort. Last year over 1800 people from area church participated. Our church is taking part this year and will be doing work at our CHP houses on the NE corner of 13<sup>th</sup> and Pine. We will be doing mostly yard work and painting. The date is Saturday, April 26 (same day as the Crop Walk). For more information please contact Jay Mosterd at 836-4012 or [jay@qualitydoor.biz](mailto:jay@qualitydoor.biz). Sign up will continue today.

DIAPERS: Diapers are needed for the people in our Good Samaritan CHP houses – sizes 1, 5, and 6. Please drop off at the church office. Any questions see, call, or e-mail Jay Mosterd 836-4012, [jay@qualitydoor.biz](mailto:jay@qualitydoor.biz).

The congregation is invited to help Special Education Ministries celebrate their 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary on Thursday, April 17. The program will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary with refreshments served afterwards.

#### **THE CHURCH STAFF**

Minister of Congregational Life	Kama Jongerius
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 Interns	Mark Reynoso, David Ryder*
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*
Recording Treasurer	Delwyn Van Dyke*
Archivist/Historian	Elton J. Bruins*
Minister of Music Emeritus	Roger J. Rietberg

\*indicates part time staff

#### **THIRD REFORMED CHURCH**

111 West 13th Street, Holland, Michigan 49423  
(616) 392-1459 - Fax (616) 392-8412

E-mail: [HYPERLINK "mailto:trc@freenet.macatawa.org"](mailto:trc@freenet.macatawa.org) [trc@macatawa.org](mailto:trc@macatawa.org)

Website: [www.trcholland.org](http://www.trcholland.org)

CareLine: (616) 393-5574 or (800) 937-5774

Sanctuary, Fellowship Hall, & Chapel  
wired with an Induction Hearing Loop.

*A Stephen Ministry Congregation*

**MISSIONARIES WE SUPPORT**

Jaime Amaro, Monterrey, Mexico

Martha Amaro, Monterrey, Mexico

Roger De Young, Mission Stewardship and Coordinator  
for Mexico and Venezuela

Ruth Estell, China

Linn Gann, India

IRM Community Development, Mozambique

Wayne and Miho Jansen, Japan

Rowland, Jr. and Jane Van Es, Kenya

Nakajima/Ministry with Japanese People

## **THE CONSISTORY**

### PROGRAM ELDERS

Irwin Brink  
Lorna Cook  
Deb DuMez  
Greg Dykhouse

Mark Hiskes  
Kristen Johnson  
John Nordstrom  
Ed Stielstra

### PARISH ELDERS

Kathy Miedema (1)  
Eleanor Van Dyke (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