

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 18, 2010

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 Minuet Gothique Léon Boëllman, arr. by Douglas E. Wagner

VOTUM

CALL TO WORSHIP (*responsively*)

Sing praises to God, O you saints,

and give thanks to God's holy name!

We exalt you, O God, for you have restored us to life!

We may cry through the night,

but your joy comes with the morning.

You hear us, O God, and you are gracious in our distress.

You turn our mourning into dancing!

Our souls cannot be silent!

O God, our Savior, we give thanks to you forever! Amen.

SALUTATION

+*HYMN OF PREPARATION *Sing! A New Creation* 150

Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!

Tune: EARTH AND ALL STARS

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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

(The congregation may exchange the Peace.)

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (11:00)

WORDS OF WELCOME

Joyfully we receive you into the body of Christ.

Join with us as we give witness

in the world to the good news,

for we are all one in Christ Jesus. Alleluia!

BAPTISM HYMN *Hymns, Psalms, & Spiritual Songs* 498 (v. 1)

Child of Blessing, Child of Promise

Tune: KINGDOM

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*responsively*)

O God, you have shown us the way of life

through your Son, Jesus Christ.

We confess with shame our slowness to learn of him,
our failure to follow him, and our reluctance to bear the cross.

Have mercy on us, Lord, and forgive us.

We confess the poverty of our worship,

our neglect of fellowship and of the means of grace,

our hesitating witness for Christ,

our evasion of responsibilities in our service,

our imperfect stewardship of your gifts.

Have mercy on us, Lord, and forgive us. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Psalm 30:4-5

CALL TO NEW OBEDIENCE *Sing! A New Creation* 215

Take, O take me as I am; summon out what I shall be;

set your seal upon my heart and live in me.

SOLO

The Lord's Prayer

Malotte

THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: Acts 9:1-6

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This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 24:36b-48

p. 91

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

*HYMN OF PREPARATION *Hymns, Psalms, & Spiritual Songs* 113

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!

Tune: LLANFAIR

SERMON "I Believe in the Resurrection of the Body"

PRAYER FOR BLESSING ON THE WORD

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

OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINISTRY AND SHARING THE GIFT OF FELLOWSHIP

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY Lento svage Stemmer Friedrich August Reissiger

ANTHEM

Sam Batt Owens

O Paschal Lamp of radiant light,
Draw near to us throughout the night.
That we encircled by its glow a peaceful rest may come to know.

O candle breaking through the dark,
Hope's glimmer to each one impart,
So when the sun calls forth the dawn new life,
New love may greet the morn.

Praise to our God, the Three in One:
The Father, and the Blessed Son, and Holy Spirit we adore
Grant us your grace forevermore. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.
—Gerry Wolf

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

Tune: OLD HUNDREDTH

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION AND 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 OF DEDICATION *Hymns, Psalms, & Spiritual Songs* 104

Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!

Tune: HYMN TO JOY

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE O Sons and Daughters of the Lord Alexandre Guilmant

+Latecomers will be seated. *Those who are able may stand.

*Worship Leaders: Rev. Kent Fry, preaching; Rev. Kama Jongerius, liturgist; Steve Stam, prayer for illumination; Handbell Choir; Renske Karsen, dance; Wendell Karsen, solo; 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.

Today is Fellowship Sunday. Please wear a nametag throughout the morning, so we are able to get to know one another better. Nametags can be found in the pew near the Friendship Folder.

Please join us in Fellowship Hall for **Third Sunday Pizza Lunch** following the 11:00 a.m. worship service.

The flowers at the chancel today are given in memory of Barbara Lampen by Edgar and Marlene Lampen.

Receiving the sacrament of baptism this morning is Jana Catherine, daughter of Todd and Jupy Honeycutt. We welcome her with joy into our covenant community.

IF YOU DESIRE PRAYER for yourself and/or others Charles and Lois Hunt 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 – (8:30) Lorene Duin, Diane De Vries; (11:00) Mark and Lynne Bonnette, John and Eileen Nordstrom, Kip, Christa, Martha, Henri, and Chloe Holland-Anderson; Ushers – Jonathan Ytterrock, Annie Clark; Deacons – (8:30) Jeff Voskuil, Jon Rietberg; (11:00) Jim Hensley, Jon Bechtel, Morrie Peterson, Marj Hoekstra; Refreshment Servers – Grant, Josie, and Colton Cheney and Connor and Claudia Heidenreich.

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

EDUCATION HOUR, 9:40-10:40 a.m., nursery care available

4 & 5 year olds	room 15	K & 1 st grades	room 8
2 nd & 3 rd grade	room 6	4 th grade	room 10
5 th grade	room 9	6 th , 7 th , & 8 th grade	room 11
Senior High	Youth Room		

LITTLE LAMBS: 3 year olds are invited to meet in room 14 at 9:40 a.m.

ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES, 9:40-10:40

The Spiritual Journey Adult Education Class is open to all and is experiential, participatory, and practical. Come and go as you are able. Meet in the Centennial Room downstairs.

Kerygma Bible Study “Discovering the Bible” in room 22.

Chapel Presentation Class: “Conflict Resolution in the Middle East (part 2): Service in Bethlehem ” led by Carol Luidens and Donald Luidens. NEXT WEEK: Book Discussion: “The Lemon Tree” led by Mark Hiskes.

CHILDREN’S WORSHIP: Children 4 years through 2nd 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

“A Love Stronger than Death”

Celebrating Easter with songs and texts from the Song of Songs

Worship Leader: Kent Fry & Kama Jongerius

THIS WEEK

SUNDAY

8:00 a.m. Matins Choir
9:15 a.m. Youth Choir
9:40 a.m. Education Hour
10:30 a.m. Children’s Choir
12:15 p.m. Third Sunday Pizza Lunch
5:00 p.m. Handbell Choir
6:00 p.m. Vesper Service
6:30 p.m. Pathfinders

MONDAY

3:30 p.m. Monday Fun Day
7:00 p.m. Fellowship Committee
7:30 p.m. Martha Circle at Sheryl Lunn’s – 245 Greenwood

TUESDAY

9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting
5:45 p.m. Parish Elder Dinner
7:00 p.m. Consistory
8:15 p.m. Elder/Deacon Meetings

WEDNESDAY

6:15 a.m. Men’s Bible Study
6:30 a.m. Sunrise Saints
8:00 a.m. Wednesday Morning Prayers
6:30 p.m. Middle School Youth Group
6:45 p.m. Sanctuary Choir
7:00 p.m. VBS Meeting

THURSDAY

7:00 p.m. Special Education Ministries

FRIDAY

10:00 a.m. Playgroup
10:00 a.m. Women’s Prayer Group

SATURDAY

5:00 p.m. Bowling Night at Douglas Lanes

PERSONAL

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

SYMPATHY is extended to Marjorie Brinks in the death of her husband, Henry “Bob” Brinks, on April 12.

CONGRATULATIONS to Gene Vander Well and Lenora Ridder who were united in Christian marriage yesterday.

PRAYER SPOTLIGHT: Holland Hospital – Henry Kroll. Jean Walvoord has moved to Lakeside Vista. Pray for – Bob Kuiper, Leslie Piaget. Out of Town – Ann Romeyn, 2380 Aurora Pond Dr. SW, #322, Wyoming, MI, 49519; Elisabeth Ten Zythoff, 6447 Franwood Terrace, Fort Worth, TX, 76112; Royal Park Atrium – Gerry & Corky Tillema; Home- Alma Van Lente. In the Military – Sam Bonnette, Christine Munoz.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL VOLUNTEER SIGN-UPS: Our VBS program, “Egypt, Joseph’s Journey from Prison to Palace” will need many adults and youth to run smoothly. We need individuals to serve as “Family” leaders, craft helpers, refreshment servers, Egypt builders/decorators, plus many more. Please stop by the table in the Gathering Place today to find a way that you can use your gifts in service to our VBS program this year.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL TEAM MEETING: This Wednesday, April 21 at 7:00 p.m. You are invited to join the team if you are interested in helping to plan and implement our VBS program this summer. For more information contact Joyce Fry (joycefry@trcholland.org or 392-1459).

YOUTH GROUP TREE SALE: The youth groups will be selling small pine trees this spring to be planted in your yard by the youth group. A tree planted in your yard for only \$5.00! This is a great deal as we get to partner in restoring creation, serve in community, and help out your landscaping. Please see Nate Schipper if you would like to order a tree. The small amount of money raised will go to help fund service projects. Thanks in advance from the youth groups.

GENERAL ITEMS

THIRD SUNDAY FOR HUNGER: Non-perishable food and other necessities will be collected today for our monthly food drive. Donated items can be placed in the designated box in the Gathering place.

FAMILY BOWLING NIGHT: Sign up continues today for the Family Bowling Night on Saturday, April 24, 5:00-7:00 p.m. There are only 40 spots available. The cost, which includes bowling and pizza is just \$5.00 per person. Drinks are extra. You can sign up today in the Gathering Place or by calling Susan Formsma (399-1007) or the church office (392-1459). Payment is due in the church office by Monday, April 19.

CROP WALK: The 30th Holland-Zeeland Crop Hunger Walk happens this coming Saturday at Holland Christian High School, and Sunday at Beechwood Reformed Church. Remember to bring your envelope front flap and your non-perishable food items. Today is a good day to plant a row of beans for delivery later this year. Together we are Crop-Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty.

SIGN UP today for the next What’s for Dinner? on Friday, April 30. Take this opportunity to become better acquainted with each other in the personal setting of your host’s home. Everyone is invited to come, sign up and enjoy!

COMMUNITY GARDEN: There are a few open spots in the Third Reformed Church community garden. If anyone is interested in joining, please contact Jon Van Duinen at vrienduinen@gmail.com.

The organ is coming apart! David Wilson and Mark Booth will arrive in the U.S. from England tomorrow and will begin work on refurbishing and upgrading our organ on Tuesday. Look for an announcement in next week's bulletin on their progress through the first week. They will be here through May 8.

Can you help supply a bed and breakfast for some high school string students from the Flint Conservatory on Friday, April 23? Please contact Linda Strouf immediately if you are able to help. The students will be placed in homes in pairs.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING: Third Reformed Church is in the process of presenting a listing of nominees to form the next term of Consistory members. The Nominating Committee presents the following individuals to serve as Consistory members: Program Elders – Marcia Bishop, John Hutchinson, Doug Walvoord; Parish Elders – Charles Hunt, Ruth McDonald, Kathy Miedema, Anna Ritsema, Janet Rund, Gloria South, Milly Ten Brink, Gayle Wilson; Deacons – Sarah Boersen, Dan Bolt, Susan Formsma, Cindy Hiskes. Please attend our congregational meeting, scheduled on Sunday, April 25 at 6:00 p.m., to approve and receive these members to our Consistory.

EMERGENCIES: When there is an health or hospital emergency, do not call an individual pastor's home. Instead call the church office, the voice mail message will give staff members' names who should be contacted in case of an emergency.

THIRD REFORMED CHURCH

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