

## FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

January 29, 2012

8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

*Almighty God, we pray for your blessing on the church in this place. Here may the faithful find salvation, and the careless be awakened. Here may the doubting find faith, and the anxious be encouraged. Here may the tempted find help, and the sorrowful comfort. Here may the weary find rest, and the strong be renewed. Here may the aged find consolation and the young be inspired; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

### THE APPROACH TO GOD

PRELUDE Presto from *Sonata in C minor* Giovanni Battista Pescetti

VOTUM

CALL TO WORSHIP (*responsively*)

Great are the works of the Lord.

**They are studied by all who delight in them.**

Full of honor and majesty is God's work.

**God's righteousness endures forever.**

The Lord has gained renown by wonderful deeds.

**The Lord is gracious and merciful.**

God's works are truth and justice;

**all God's works will endure forever.**

God sent redemption to the people;

the Lord will keep covenant forever.

**Holy and awesome is God's name.**

—Psalm 111

SALUTATION

+\*HYMN OF PRAISE *Sing! A New Creation* (green) 8

Gather Us In

Tune: GATHER US IN

\*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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

*(The congregation may exchange the Peace.)*

PREPARATION FOR COMMUNION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*in unison*)

**Lord, you have called us to worship you.**

**We gladly gather!**

**As we praise you, though,**

**our own inadequacy reminds us**

**of how we have broken our relationship with you.**

**Because we have sinned against you,**

**even our worship fails to be what it could.**

**We sometimes treat it as a show.**

**We simply go through motions,**

**failing to recognize that you want to engage us deeply.**

**Renew us, we pray, according to your steadfast love.**

**Remind us of your covenant faithfulness**

**and have mercy on us in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

WORDS OF ASSURANCE & CALL TO NEW OBEDIENCE Psalm 111:9-10

SONG OF DISMISSAL *Sing! A New Creation* 77 (vs. 1)

**I want to walk as a child of the light; I want to follow Jesus.**

**God set the stars to give light to the world;**

**the star of my life is Jesus.**

**In him there is no darkness at all;**

**the night and the day are both alike.  
The Lamb is the light of the city of God;  
shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.**

CHILDREN'S DISMISSAL TO WORSHIP CENTERS

**THE WORD OF GOD**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION *(responsively)*

Lord, to whom shall we go?

**You have the words of eternal life!**

**Help us now to hear and obey what you say to us today.**

**Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Deuteronomy 18:15-20 p. 174

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

GOSPEL LESSON: Mark 1:21-29 p. 35

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

\*HYMN OF PREPARATION *Hymns, Psalms, & Spiritual Songs* (red) 462

Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies Tune: RATISBON

SERMON "Worship Disruption"

PRAYER FOR BLESSING ON THE WORD

SILENT PRAYER AND REFLECTION

**THE RESPONSE TO GOD**

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: *(in unison)*

**Blessed is the congregation that proclaims the word of God in ways that actively expose and resist both the idols that we are tempted to worship instead of God and also the idols of our distorted understandings of God.**

**Blessed is the congregation that challenges these distortions by contemplating the person and work of Jesus Christ, "the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of God's being" (Hebrews 1:3). —from Reformed Worship, Dec. 2011**

OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINISTRY AND SHARING THE GIFT OF FELLOWSHIP

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY To God, in whom I trust Johann Pachelbel

ANTHEM Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy

How lovely are the messengers that preach us the gospel of peace,  
The gospel of the nations is gone forth the sound of their words,  
throughout all the lands their glad tidings.

—paraphrased from Romans 10:15

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

Tune: OLD HUNDREDTH

PRAYERS 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 539*  
Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise Tune: ELLERS

\*BENEDICTION (*responsively*)  
In response to what we have heard  
and to what we know ourselves to be, let us begin anew.  
**We have been called to participate in God's mission.**  
The Lord has laid upon us the responsibility for the world.  
**Let us offer ourselves**  
**to God and to the world that belongs to God.**  
The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**  
Go in peace. Amen.  
**Amen.**

POSTLUDE Toccata José Antonio Carlos de Sexias

+Latecomers will be seated. \*You may stand.

*Worship Leaders: Rev. Kent Fry, preaching; Rev. Kama Jongerius, liturgist; Kit Janssen Leggett, minute for mission; 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.

IF YOU DESIRE PRAYER for yourself and/or others Mike and Beverley Rannow 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) Bruce Plasman, Edgar Lampen; (11:00) Doug, Stacy, and Raechel Kamphuis, Rick, Meg, Sam, Nora, and Paige Frens, Andrew and Matthew Le and Jennifer Walvoord; Ushers – Kathy and Fred Van Tubbergen; Deacons (8:30) Carl Heideman, Anna Beird, (11:00) Steve De Young, Dan Bolt, Jason Divozzo, Karen Holleman; Refreshment Servers – Dave and Jody Vanderwel.

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

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

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

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. Pastor Kama Jongerius, facilitator. Meet in the Centennial Room downstairs.

**Bible Study:** “Books of Joshua and Judges” in room 22. Amanda Dykhous and Edward Leche, facilitators.

**Chapel Presentation Class:** “Grace-Filled Dysfunctions: Families Then and Now” led by Dr. Jaco Hamman. Next week: “Christianity and Creativity” led by Don Perini, Associate Professor of Ministry and Creativity; Cornerstone University.

**NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION:** Those interested in exploring membership at Third Reformed church are invited to a four week orientation that begins this morning during the education hour, 9:40-10:40 a.m. Child care is available. We will meet in the office conference room. Pastor Kent will lead the sessions. If you have any questions or need more information, call Pastor Kent at 392-1459.

**LITTLE LAMBS,** for 3 year olds, (3 before 12/1/11) meets during the 11:00 worship time. Little Lamb children will be dismissed from the sanctuary with the Children and Worship children and will proceed to their room (room 14). Parents should pick up their children immediately after the second service. Thank you.

**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.

**CONGREGATIONAL DISCOVERY WORKSHOP**

4:30-6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Our purpose is to celebrate God's work in our midst and then connect this to a denominational wide movement to discern together how the Holy Spirit is leading us forward into new horizons of mission and ministry.

Nursery provided.

**THIS WEEK**

**SUNDAY**

- 8:00 a.m. Matins Choir
- 9:30 a.m. Youth Choir
- 9:40 a.m. Education Hour
- 10:30 a.m. Children's Choir
- 12:15 p.m. Youth Chimes
- 4:30 p.m. Congregational Discovery Workshop
- 6:30 p.m. Pathfinders

**MONDAY**

- 9:30 a.m. Playgroup
- 3:15 p.m. Monday FunDay

**TUESDAY**

- 9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting

**WEDNESDAY**

- 6:15 a.m. Men's Bible Study
- 6:30 a.m. Sunrise Saints
- 8:00 a.m. Wednesday Morning Prayers - Fellowship Hall
- 5:45 p.m. TASC Dinner
- 6:30 p.m. TASC Classes
- 6:30 p.m. Middle School Youth Group
- 6:30 p.m. Passages (H.S.)
- 6:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir

**THURSDAY**

- 1:00 p.m. Women's Ministries Board Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. Special Education Ministry

**FRIDAY**

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

**PERSONAL**

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

PRAYER SPOTLIGHT: Stan Boven has moved to Tendercare from the hospital. Hospice Care – Jantina Holleman. Heartland of Holland – Elizabeth Bennett; Appledorn Living Center – Louise Brackett, Thelma Leenhouts; Oak Crest – Henrietta Hoksbergen.

### **CHILDREN, YOUTH, & FAMILY**

TASC SLEDDING NIGHT: We will try this again, this Wednesday, February 1. Bring a sled and dress for the weather. All families are invited to attend. Please check on the home page on Third's website, [www.trcholland.org](http://www.trcholland.org), if there is any question about the weather conditions.

“OUR STARS WILL SHINE”-TASC TALENT AND HOBBY SHOW: Wednesday, February 15 at 6:45 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. All children aged 4 through the fifth grade are invited to share their talents and hobbies at this special event. Children must have a completed, signed permission form in order to participate. Forms can be picked up in the Gathering Place. For more information check the Children's Bulletin Board or contact Joyce Fry ([joycefry@trcholland.org](mailto:joycefry@trcholland.org); 392-1459).

The Senior High Sunday School class is attending a Brethren Church, near Grand Rapids, today.

### **GENERAL ITEMS**

CONSISTORY NOMINATIONS: The deadline to turn in your Consistory nominations' ballot is today. Please place them in the box in the church office. Extra ballots and lists can be found next to the box.

We are encouraging the congregation to consider the daily common lectionary readings. Pick up a schedule of readings for the season of Christmas and Epiphany in the Gathering Place.

ALL CHURCH RETREAT: The intergenerational (which means ALL ages not just “young” people) retreat is taking place again this year at Timberwolf Lake, a premier Young Life facility. The dates for the weekend are March 9-11. More information is available in the Gathering Place, including information on bus transportation! There is also a link to sign up, on the website, in the right hand column. Sign up today! Our goal this year is 200 participants.

ORDINATION SERVICE: The congregation is invited to attend the ordination of Jessica Kast-Keat this afternoon at Hope Church, 77 W. 11<sup>th</sup> St, at 3:00 p.m. Jessica will be serving as Associate Pastor at the West End Collegiate Church in New York City.

MARRIED COUPLES OF ALL AGES! You are invited on a trip. The accommodations include 2 nights, 5 meals, and Sunday worship at Geneva Shores Retreat Center in Holland, Michigan. The highlight of the journey is discovery and adventure in a place that is important to you – your relationship. The next Reformed Marriage Encounter weekend in your area is February 10-12. Register by contacting registration couple Jim and Kathy Molenkamp at (616) 538-2749 or register online at [www.reformedme.org](http://www.reformedme.org).

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are wired with an Induction Hearing Loop

*A Stephen Ministry Congregation*