

# First Sunday after Christmas

December 30, 2018

11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE

Suite No. 5

J. S. Bach

## PRAISE

### CALL TO WORSHIP

All who come from near and far,  
**come and worship.**

All who thirst for God.

**Come and worship.**

All whose hearts overflow with gratitude and hope,  
**come and worship.**

All whose hearts may be wiled with despair or grief,  
**come and worship.**

All who come with doubts or questions about life in Jesus,  
**come and worship.**

+\*HYMN *Lift Up Your Hearts* 81 (vs. 1-3)

Angels from the Realms of Glory

Tune: REGENT SQUARE

\*SHARING THE PEACE OF THE RISEN CHRIST

The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

(The congregation may exchange the Peace.)

\*HYMN *Lift Up Your Hearts* 90

How Great Our Joy

Tune: JUNGST

PSALM 148 (*responsively*)

Praise God!

**Praise God from the heavens;**

**praise him from the mountaintops!**

Angels and all the host:

**praise God!**

Sun and moon, shining stars,

highest heavens, and waters above the heavens

**Praise God!**

Let everything praise the name of the Lord,

for he commanded and they were created.

**God set them in place from all time to eternity;**

**God gave his orders, and that's it!**

HYMN *Lift Up Your Hearts* 555

Let All Creation's Wonders

Tune: THAXTED

## CONSECRATE

CHILDREN INVITED FORWARD

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Holy God,**

**You became a human baby to be with us,**

**to draw close to us, and to live out your love for us.**

**We know that you are always with us,**  
**always loving us.**

**But there are things that pull us away,**  
**especially when we prefer our own way,**  
**or find loving and forgiving too hard.**

**Jesus, break down the things**

**that separate us from being close to you.**

**Guide our choices, and our paths,**

**so that we are always following you,**  
**and learning to know you more.**

WORDS OF ASSURANCE *Lift Up Your Hearts* 80 (v. 1 & 3)

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Tune: MENDELSSOHN

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: Colossians 3:12-17

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

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MEDITATION

HYMN *Lift Up Your Hearts* 423

Give Me Jesus

Tune: GIVE ME JESUS

MOMENT FOR MISSION AND SHARING THE GIFT OF FELLOWSHIP

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

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\*DOXOLOGY *Lift Up Your Hearts* 965

Tune: OLD HUNDREDTH

## SEARCH

GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 2:41-50

This is the Gospel of our Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

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MEDITATION

HYMN *Lift Up Your Hearts* 95 (vs. 1)

What Child Is This

Tune: GREENSLEEVES

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING, INTERCESSION & 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.**

\*HYMN OF DEDICATION *Lift Up Your Hearts* 93

Go Tell It on the Mountain

Tune: GO TELL IT

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

O, Come, All Ye Faithful

F. Hofland

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

*Worship Leaders: Rev. Kama Jongerius, Rev. Janelle Lopez-Koolbaas, worship leaders; Mark Hiskes, prayer of illumination; Miquel Fuentes, cello; Lori Maatman, organ.*

**THE CHURCH STAFF:** full time

Minister of Preaching

Kent Fry

Minister of Congregational Life

Kama Jongerius

Office Manager

Kristen Beckner

Lead Custodian

Mark Faga

**THE CHURCH STAFF:** part-time

Pastors of Neighborhood Outreach

Angel Lopez; Janelle Lopez-Koolhaas

Church Administrator

Roger De Young

Youth Director

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Director of Children's Ministries

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Rob Lunn

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## THE CONSISTORY

### GOVERNING ELDERS

Kate Bolt

David Krieger

Deb DuMez

Steve Orlow

Dale Dykema

Kathy Schoon-Tanis

John Hoekstra

Vicki Voskuil

Ben Lichtenwalner

### CARE ELDERS

*Southwest Quadrant*

*Southeast Quadrant*

Joyce Magee\*

Jane Dalman\*

Harvey Doorenbos

Sarah Unzicker

Phil Coray

Lynne Caskey

Katherine Hunsberger

Carol Segrist

*Northwest Quadrant*

*Northeast Quadrant*

Kathy Miedema\*

Marilyn Norman\*

Adriann Divozzo

Martin Keller

Joyce Mott

Phyllis Brown

John Lunn

\*Quadrant Coordinator

### DEACONS

Habeeb Awad

Mike Norman

Laura Halsey

Bruce Stewart

Emily Lievense

Sandy Stiesltra

Amy Lunn

Jim Vander Meer

Scott Millen

## 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. Visitors please stop by the Welcome Center and then join us in the Gathering Place for refreshments and fellowship after the worship service.

IF YOU DESIRE PRAYER for yourself and/or others Sarah and Bill Unzicker 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/Juice Servers-Steve and Dawn VanderArk. Deacons: Jim VanderMeer, Sandy Stielstra, Emily Lievens.

CHILD CARE is available in the nurseries during the worship service. Attendants: Andy & Jane Zoerman.

**There will be no education hour this morning.**

## The Week Ahead

**Monday Church Office Closed**

**Tuesday Church Office Closed**

Happy New Year

9:30 a.m. Pancake Breakfast

**Wednesday**

6:15 a.m. Men's Bible Study

**Friday**

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

## Congregational News

*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.*

Please let the church staff know when you are in the hospital so you can receive spiritual care by the pastoral staff. Call 392-1459.

SYMPATHY is extended to Kathy Thornhill in the death of her mother, Joyce Martinus, on December 23.

SYMPATHY is extended to Kim McDonough, Doug, Stacy, Benjamin & Kaylie, Jordan, Raechel, and Will Kamphuis in the death of their father and grandfather, Frank Kamphuis on December 26.

PRAYER SPOTLIGHT: Hospice Care-Frank Pettinga, Walter Thome. Out of Town-Arleen Hewlett (Traverse City). Missionaries-Linn G. (Asia), Malawi Children's Feeding Program, Lubna Younas (Asia).

HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS: The church office will be closed all day on December 31 and January 1.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE: Next Sunday, January 6 we return to our regular Sunday schedule with worship services at 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. and education for all ages beginning at 9:40 a.m.

YEAR-END GIVING: If you are planning to make year-end gifts to Third Reformed Church and want them credited to your giving record in 2018, checks need to be dated (and postmarked, if mailed) December 31 or earlier and received at the church prior to January 7. If you are giving shares of stock, the stock should be received in the church's account by December 31 (last business day before year-

end). Instructions for a donation of shares of stock are available in the church office. If you are giving a Qualified Charitable Distribution from your IRA, remember your trustee will need time to process your request and mail the check by December 31 for your gift to count in 2018.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST: Have you marked it on your calendar? It isn't that far away and you don't want to forget! On Tuesday, January 1, 2019, the Sunrise Saints will be sponsoring the annual Pancake Breakfast. The menu will be both buttermilk and gluten free pancakes and sausages. We will begin serving at 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall with a short, informal worship to follow. All donations go to support church mission projects. This is a wonderful way to start the New Year with your Third Reformed Church Family. Mark your calendars now and don't forget to be there.

SNOWBIRDS: Please call the church office, 392-1459, and let us know what your winter address is so we can keep in touch with you while you're gone.

FLOWER CALENDAR: If you would like to provide flowers in honor or memory of someone for the Sunday worship services, please sign up on the flower chart in the church office or call the church office, 392-1459.

WINTER WEATHER AND CANCELLATION POLICY: During the weekdays, Third Reformed Church will follow the Holland Public Schools cancellations to determine whether we will be having daily and evening activities. For Sunday winter weather, if 8:30 a.m. worship is cancelled, the education hour will also normally be cancelled, and we will have an 11:00 a.m. walk-in worship service. However, there may be some instances where we will still have the education hour even if the 8:30 a.m. worship service is cancelled. We strongly encourage the congregation to check the church web site on the home page at [www.trcholland.org](http://www.trcholland.org), where the information will be available. We will also have the cancellations posted on Wood TV channel 8.

LIFT: LIFT (Life in Faith Together) dinner and classes will resume for the second semester on Wednesday, January 16 Dinner is served at 5:30 p.m. Classes for children begin at 6:15 and for youth and adults at 6:30 p.m. Classes for adults include: a discussion based class on podcast "Code Switch", Sanctuary Choir, Knitting Ministry, Bilingual Prayer & Share Group, White Privilege Class. **LIFT WEATHER POLICY:** If Holland Public Schools are cancelled on a Wednesday due to weather there will be no LIFT dinner or classes. Cancellations will be announced on WOOD TV 8 and the church website.

Deanna Thompson, a theologian and stage IV cancer patient, will be at Western Theological Seminary on February 15, exploring how cancer stories relate to the Christian Story. In preparation for the event, Jan-Feb reading groups are being formed around her book, *Glimpsing Resurrection: Cancer, Trauma, and Ministry*. For more information, go to: [westernsem.edu/cancer-stories/](http://westernsem.edu/cancer-stories/) or contact Emily Holehan at [emily.holehan@westernsem.edu](mailto:emily.holehan@westernsem.edu)

### CHILDREN, YOUTH, & FAMILY

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE: There is NO Sunday School or Worship Centers TODAY. Children aged 4 and under are welcome to go to the Nursery. There are coloring pages and nativity finger puppets for young children to use during the service this morning. All Sunday morning programs will resume next Sunday, January 6, 2019. LIFT resumes on Wednesday, January 16.

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