

## Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

February 3, 2019

8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

*Take, O take me as I am*

*Summon out what I shall be*

*Set your seal upon my heart, and live in me.*

### APPROACHING GOD

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP *(responsively)*

In you, O Lord, I take refuge;

**let me never be put to shame.**

In your righteousness deliver me and rescue me;

**incline your ear to me and save me.**

Be to me a rock of refuge,

**a strong fortress, to save me,**

**for you are my rock and my fortress.**

Rescue me, O my God, from the hand of the wicked,

from the grasp of the unjust and cruel.

**For you, O Lord, are my hope, my trust, O Lord.**

GOD’S GREETING

+\*HYMN OF PRAISE *Lift Up Your Hearts* 859

Be Thou My Vision

Tune: SLANE

\*SHARING THE PEACE OF THE RISEN CHRIST

The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

(The congregation may exchange the Peace.)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(in unison)*

**Jesus, we confess our wincing and rationalizing**

**as we take in your words of what your kingdom will be.**

**We wonder and secretly worry if we are fully on the side of justice.**

**We wonder and we worry that there might be more**

**to which you call us.**

**Help us through our doubts and fears.**

**Lead us to see beyond ourselves.**

**Search us and know our hearts.**

**Lead us in your everlasting way of love, peace, and justice.**

**Make our hearts like yours. Amen.**

WORDS OF ASSURANCE adapted from Psalm 71

### HEARING GOD’S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Jeremiah 1:4-10

p. 698

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 4:14-30

p. 61

This is the Gospel of our Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN TO WORSHIP CENTER (11:00)

\*HYMN OF ILLUMINATION *Lift Up Your Hearts* 765

God of the Word

Tune: SAN FRANCISCO

SERMON

“Jesus’ Dangerous Good News”

PRAYER FOR BLESSING ON THE WORD *Lift Up Your Hearts* 741 (sung 3 times)

Take, O Take Me As I Am

Tune: TAKE ME AS I AM

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

**set your seal upon my heart and live in me.**

### RESPONSE TO GOD

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING *(responsively)*

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts! **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Holy and right it is...we worship and adore your glorious name:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord God, of power and might,**

**heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.**

Most righteous God,...Together we proclaim the mystery of the faith:

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

COMMUNION

THANKSGIVING AFTER COMMUNION Psalm 103 *(responsively)*

Bless the Lord, O my soul;

**and all that is within me, bless his holy name!**

Bless the Lord, O my soul,

**and do not forget all his benefits,**

who forgives all your iniquity,

**who heals all your diseases,**

who redeems your life from the Pit,

**who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy.**

The Lord is merciful and gracious,

**slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

He does not deal with us according to our sins,

**nor repay us according to our iniquities.**

For as the heavens are high above the earth,

**so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;**

as far as the east is from the west,

**so far does he remove our transgressions from us.**

As a father has compassion for his children,

**so the Lord has compassion for those who fear him.**

Who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all,

and will also give us all things with him.

**Therefore shall my mouth and heart show forth the praise of the Lord, from**

**this time forth forevermore. Amen.**

MOMENT FOR MISSION AND SHARING THE GIFT OF FELLOWSHIP

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

Donald Busarow

He comes to us as one unknown, a breath unseen, unheard;

As though within a heart of stone, or shriveled seed in darkness sown,

A pulse of being stirred.

He comes when souls in silence lie and thoughts of day depart;

Half-seen upon the inward eye, a falling star across the sky of night within the heart.

He comes to us in sound of seas, the ocean’s fume and foam;

Yet small and still upon the breeze, a wind that stirs the tops of trees,

A voice to call us home.

He comes in love as once he came by flesh and blood and birth;

To bear within our mortal frame a life, a death, a saving name, for every child of earth.

He comes in truth when faith is grown; believed, obeyed, adored:

The Christ in all the scriptures shown, as yet unseen, but not unknown,

Our Savior and our Lord.

—Timothy Dudley-Smith

\*DOXOLOGY

*Lift Up Your Hearts* 965

Tune: OLD HUNDREDTH

PRAYER OF 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* 334

May the Mind of Christ, My Savior

Tune: ST. LEONARDS

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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

*Worship Leaders: Rev. Janelle Lopez-Koolbaas, preaching; Rev. Kent Fry, Rev. Kama Jongerius, liturgists; Young Levites (11:00), readers; Jason Pasatta, prayer of illumination; Rev. Toru Akiyama, minute for mission; Matins Choir; Sanctuary Choir; Linda Strouf, Minster of Music.*

### CHILDREN, YOUTH, & FAMILY

RESCHEDULED - ROLLER-SKATING FUN NIGHT THIS WEDNESDAY: The children of Wednesday evening LIFT’s program and the Middle School Youth Group will be roller-skating THIS Wednesday, February 6. We will be leaving the church after dinner to go to the Rink. Suggested donation: \$3.00/Skater or \$7.00/Family. (If you wish to rent roller blades, bring a dollar with you; Regular roller skates included with admission cost). We will need parent drivers and supervision on this night. Please note: children under the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade will need a parent or designated adult to attend with them. Invite a friend, and plan to join us for this fun event.

SUNDAY SCHOOL FAMILIES: Please plan to bring baked good items to our “Sunday School Mission Project Day” on Sunday, February 17. All items should be “ready to go” on non-returnable plates or containers. These items should be brought to Sunday School or to the kitchen (marked for the mission project) by 10:00 on that morning. For more information, please see the letter sent home from your child’s Sunday School class or ask Joyce Fry (joycefry@trcholland.org). Thank you for your support of your children’s mission efforts.

PARENTS’ NIGHT OUT: Parents you are invited to drop off your children on Friday, February 8, 5:30-8:30 p.m. Feed your children prior to dropping them off and we’ll care for them and make sure they have fun. Sign up in the Gathering Place or by calling the church office, 392-1459.

### Congregational News

The congregation is invited to attend the installation service of Rev. Ross Dieleman, Rev. Lindsay Small, and Rev. Nate Schipper as co-pastors of Fellowship Reformed Church, 2165 W. Lakewood Blvd. The service will take place on Sunday, February 10, at 4:00 p.m.

OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE AND GET TO KNOW YOUR NEIGHBOR! Light-house Immigration Advocates has set up a Volunteer Network to connect community members willing to drive, tutor, help fill out forms, etc. This is a great opportunity to meet new neighbors offer support. For further information or to sign up, please see:

LIA website: <http://lia-michigan.org>

direct link to volunteer network sign up: <https://tinyurl.com/y8b8qlrs>

## 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.

The flowers at the chancel are today given by Al and Jane Osman.

IF YOU DESIRE PRAYER for yourself and/or others Joyce and George Magee 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: Deacons: (8:30) Susan Formsma, Sandy Stielstra (11:00) Ha-beeb Awad, Jim VanderMeer, Laura Halsey, Josiah Millen.

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

EDUCATION HOUR, 9:45-10:45 a.m.,

nursery care available

Preschool/Kindergarten room 15 1st & 2nd Grades room 6

3rd Grade room 10 4th & 5th Grades room 17

6th-8th grades room 11 Senior High Youth Room

TRC Singers & Children's Choir room 7

Sunday Morning Live Youth Room

ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES, 9:40-10:40

**Bible Study:** "The Presence of the Future-The Book of Revelation and the Life of Discipleship Today" Led by George Hunsberger & Pastor Kent Fry

**Spiritual Formation Class:** This class follows the lectionary passage of the day, according to "Seasons of the Spirit." Pastor Kama Jongerius, facilitator. Meet in the Centennial Room downstairs.

**Chapel Class:** "Latin America: Geography and History" by Roberto Venegas. Next week: "The Story of LaRoca Church" led by Pastor Jose Pacheco. This class will meet in the Fellowship Hall on February 10.

WORSHIP CENTER PROGRAM: During the 8:30 service, Worship Center will be provided on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month. During the 11:00 service, there will be only one Worship Center open for all children, aged 4-2nd grade, provided each Sunday. It will take place in Room 2 (Previously the older Worship Center room).

## The Week Ahead

### Sunday

8:00 a.m. Matins Choir

9:25 a.m. TRC Singers

9:45 a.m. Children's Choir

9:45 a.m. Adult Education Classes

9:45 a.m. Sunday Morning Live

10:00 a.m. Children/Youth Education Classes

10:00 a.m. TRC Ringers

4:45 p.m. Carillon Choir

### Tuesday

9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting

2:00 p.m. Memorial Service for Dorothy Perkins

### Wednesday

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

6:30 a.m. Sunrise Saints

8:00 a.m. Wednesday Morning Prayers

5:30 p.m. LIFT Dinner

6:15 p.m. LIFT Children's Classes/Middle School Youth Group

6:20 p.m. Sanctuary Choir

6:30 p.m. Bilingual Bible Study and Prayer Group/LIFT Adult Classes

### Thursday

7:00 p.m. Special Education Ministries

### Friday

5:30 p.m. Parents' Night Out

## 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 remember to have someone notify the church office when you are in the hospital so you can receive spiritual care by the pastoral staff. Call 392-1459.

SYMPATHY is extended to Linda Dykstra in the death of her husband, John, on January 5.

Sympathy is Scott, Michelle, Gabe, Noah, Josiah, and Faith Millen in the death of Scott's brother, Brent Herren, on January 31 in Portland, OR.

PRAYER SPOTLIGHT: Hospice Care-Frank Pettinga, Walter Thome. Out of Town-Arleen Hewlett. Missionaries-Wayne & Miho Jansen (Japan), Rowland Jr. & Jane Van Es (Kenya), Victor Kanyi (Kenya).

ALL CHURCH RETREAT: We are having an all-church retreat on March 8-10, 2019. Sign up in the Gathering Place today. This is a great time to connect with each other outside at the dunes or inside playing games. We will be able to informally worship with live music, eat and relax together.

Politics today is rough, but can you imagine Mike Pence and Steve Mnuchin formally shooting at each other with pistols at ten paces like Aaron Burr and Alexander Hamilton? Come join a freewheeling discussion of American history at the inaugural meeting of the History Book Club on Monday, February 11 at the Third Church parsonage, 134 W 12th St, at 7:00 p.m. Our first book will be Joseph J Ellis' Pulitzer prize-winning "Founding Brothers- the Revolutionary Generation". This is a series of vignettes about men we think we know, and the book is a delight to read. Copies are available at the Herrick Public Library, Readers' World in downtown Holland, and Barnes & Noble on US 31. Beverages will be provided, or bring your own. What better way to prepare to celebrate Presidents' Day?

CELLO CONCERT Celebrate Valentine's Day by enjoying a cello concert by Miquel Fuentes at 2:00 pm at Third Church. Following the 40 minute concert we'll enjoy some valentine snacks. The church bus will pick up people from Freedom Village at 1:30, and from Warm Friend at 1:45; if there is a request from residents at Apple-dorn, the bus will stop there at 1:15.

PARENT'S NIGHT OUT Are you interested in supporting our young families by spending time with their children on Friday, February 8? Staff and other volunteers will be available from 5:30 - 8:30 pm at Third Church. Please talk to Pastor Kama or Pastor Janelle if you're willing to join us.

BUNCO NIGHT is planned for Friday, February 15 at 6:45 p.m. Sign up today in the Gathering Place to join the fun. Please plan to bring a "finger food" to share; beverages will be provided.

SUNDAY SCHOOL MISSION PROJECT DAY: On Sunday, February 17, the congregation is invited to join with our children's Sunday School classes in raising money for their mission project this year: "Mobility Worldwide." After the 11:00 service, congregants are invited to financially support this project and in return will be able to choose a baked good from the table in the Gathering Place. "Mobility Worldwide" is a local non-profit charitable organization whose mission is to build and provide mobility carts for needy children in impoverished countries. Over 70 million people in the world are leg disabled, and without help they crawl in the dirt. "Mobility Worldwide" creates hand-powered carts to help children unable to walk due to birth defects, debilitating illnesses or injuries (often from land mines), to be mobile. Thank you for your gifts to this project and your support of the children's mission project.

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