

## Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

February 17, 2019

8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

*Holy God, you challenge the powers that rule this world and show favor to the oppressed. Instill in us a true sense of justice, that we discern the sign of your kingdom and strive for right to prevail for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit. Amen.*

### GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE O Jesus So Sweet, O Jesus So Mild Paul D. Weber

CALL TO WORSHIP (*responsively*)  
Let us open our ears, people of God  
**for God is speaking a Word among us.**  
Let us open our minds, people of God  
**for the Spirit is moving in this place.**  
Let us open our hearts, people of God,  
**and worship the One who makes us whole.**

GOD'S GREETING

+\*HYMN OF PRAISE *Lift Up Your Hearts* 531  
God, You Call Us to This Place Tune: SALZBURG

\*SHARING THE PEACE OF THE RISEN CHRIST  
May the peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**  
(The congregation may exchange the Peace.)

INTRODUCTION TO CONFESSION based on Psalm 1

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*in unison*)  
**Merciful God, you call us to reorder our lives  
by the kingdom you are bringing in Christ.  
Yet we pass by the poor and the hungry;  
people who weep.  
Comfortable with the way things are,  
we are too complacent,  
even complicit with injustice and prejudice.  
Forgive us, O God,  
and turn us back to your gospel.  
We pray for our sake, and for the sake of the world;  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

WORDS OF ASSURANCE AND GRATFUL LIVING *Lift Up Your Hearts* 117 (vs. 1-3)  
Blest Are They Tune: BLEST ARE THEY

CHILDREN'S CHOIR (11:00) Sue Ellen Page  
People, all come sing and shout; God is in us dwelling.  
Spread the joyful news about; sing with voices swelling.

*Sing alleluia, raise your voices, shout with joy; sing praise to God, the Savior.*

Every one a child of God, sister or a brother.  
All who know the love of God, share with one another.

DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN TO WORSHIP CENTER (11:00)

SONG *Lift Up Your Hearts* 117 (vs. 4-5) (11:00)  
Blest Are They Tune: BLEST ARE THEY

### HEARING THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Jeremiah 17:5-10 p. 719  
This Is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 6:27-36 p. 64  
This is the Gospel of our Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

\*HYMN OF ILLUMINATION *Lift Up Your Hearts* 121  
Jesus Calls Us, O'er the Tumult Tune: GALILEE

SERMON "Blessings and Woes"

PRAYER FOR BLESSING ON THE WORD

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER (8:30)  
INTRODUCTORY RESPONSE  
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.**

MEANING OF THE SACRAMENT  
BLESSING OF THE ELEMENTS  
COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

### RESPONDING IN FAITH

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: excerpt from 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 (*responsively*)  
This is the good news that we have received,  
in which we stand, and by which we are saved:  
**Christ died for our sins, was buried,  
was raised on the third day,  
and appeared first to the women,  
then to Peter and the Twelve,  
then to many faithful witnesses.**

MOMENT FOR MISSION AND SHARING THE GIFT OF FELLOWSHIP

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS  
OFFERTORY arr. by Lloyd Larson  
This is my Father's world, and to my list'ning ears,  
all nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres.  
This is my Father's world, I rest me in the thought of rocks and trees,  
of skies and seas; His hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father's world, the birds their carols raise;  
the morning light, the lily white declare their Maker's praise.  
This is my Father's world, He shines in all that's fair;  
in the rustling grass I hear Him pass, He speaks to me ev'rywhere.

This is my Father's world, O let me ne'er forget  
that though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the Ruler yet.  
This is my Father's world, why should my heart be sad?  
The Lord is King! Let the heavens ring! God reigns, let the earth be glad!  
Declare your Makers' praise.

\*DOXOLOGY *Lift Up Your Hearts* 965 Tune: OLD HUNDREDTH

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* 933  
Lord, Dismiss with Your Blessing Tune: SICILIAN MARINERS

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Oh, That I Had a Thousand Voices Jonathan Kohrs

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

*Worship Leaders: Rev. Kent Fry, preaching; Rev. Kama Jongerius, Juliet Nabatanzi, liturgists; Sarah Schloff, prayer of illumination; Cheryl Barnes, Doug Jones, minute for mission; Andy Lunn, soloist (8:30); Children's Choir; Mary Van Voorst, director; Chris Walvoord, piano; Sarah Southard, oboe; Matins Choir; Sanctuary Choir; Linda Strouf, Minster of Music.*

### CHILDREN, YOUTH, & FAMILY

LIFT TALENT AND HOBBY NIGHT IS COMING: On Wednesday, March 6 we will have our annual children's talent and hobby show. All children of our church are invited to participate. Talk to your child(ren) now about what they might enjoy sharing with their LIFT friends. Sign-up sheets will be available next Sunday on the Children and Youth table by the Northwest entrance. Please sign up by Monday, March 4<sup>th</sup> to participate in this special event.

LIFT SWIMMING NIGHT: Save the date, Wednesday, February 27, for our annual children's LIFT swimming event at the Holland Aquatic Center.

LUNCH: ON SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25 all students, parents and teachers/leaders in Children and Youth Ministries are invited for lunch and an informal time to gather and connect with friends old and new! The meal will be served in the Youth Room, following the second worship service. The next lunch will be on March 24. Do you have questions or want to volunteer a dish for a future lunch? Contact [janelle.lopezk@trcholland.org](mailto:janelle.lopezk@trcholland.org).

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS! This summer we are heading back to Camp Fowler for a week of work and adventure! We will be joining with four other churches to help accomplish some work projects at Camp Fowler and the neighboring area! Trip dates are June 22-29. If you are at all interested, please sign up in the Gathering Place to receive more information about the trip!

## Congregational News

NOMINATIONS: You should have received a letter from Pastor Kent asking you to nominate people to fill Governing Elder, Care Elder, and Deacon positions. If you did not receive the mailing or have misplaced it, there are extra copies in the church office. Please return your nominations to the church office TODAY!

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 and 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>

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## 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.

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

IF YOU DESIRE PRAYER for yourself and/or others Beverley and Mike 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/Juice Servers: Mark and Lynne Bonnette. Deacons: (8:30) Amy Lunn, Jim VanderMeer (11:00) Laura Halsey, Cindy Hiskes, Mike Norman, Emily Lievense.

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

WORSHIP VISITORS' BREAKFAST will take place this morning at 9:45 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We cordially invite those who have been worshipping with us recently to a time to get acquainted and to visit together. Hosted by Pastors Kent and Angel.

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:** "Clearing Up Misconceptions about Immigration" led by Kate Kooyman.

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 4-2<sup>nd</sup> 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

12:15 p.m. Third Sunday Pizza Lunch

4:45 p.m. Carillon Choir

7:00 p.m. Senior High Youth Group

### Monday

7:00 p.m. Martha Bible Study at Beverley Rannow's

### Tuesday

9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting

6:30 p.m. Deacons' Meeting

6:30 p.m. Governing Elders' Meeting

7:15 p.m. Governing Board Meeting

### 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. Worship Committee

7:00 p.m. Special Education Ministries

### Friday

9:00 a.m. Newsletter Assembly

## 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 Stephanie Buter in the death of her husband, Jim, on February 10.

PRAYER SPOTLIGHT: Holland Hospital-Phyllis Mahy, Trudy Smith. Gerry Albers and Ev Albers have returned home from the hospital. Ray Snyder has been released from a hospital in Arizona. Hospice Care-Frank Pettinga, Walter Thome. Appledorn -P.J. Booi, Marv & Lois Jalving, Roger Rietberg, Jill Slenk. Missionaries-Jaime & Martha Amaro (Mexico), Albino & Sandy Rodriguez (Peru).

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.

SUNDAY SCHOOL MISSION PROJECT DAY TODAY: 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.

BAKERS NEEDED: It is that time again and the cake orders for March are here. If you are willing to bake a cake for a Hope College student please see Sandy Stielstra at the cake table in the Gathering Place.

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.

NORTHWESTERN COLLEGE DRAMA GROUP will be with us for the Sunday morning 11:00 a.m. worship service on March 3. The drama group consists of 10 people. We are looking for five families to host 2 students. Host families will provide dinner on Saturday, March 2 and breakfast on Sunday morning. Please sign up in the Gathering Place or contact Pastor Kent Fry if you can host.

