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SUNDAY | SEPTEMBER 17 | 9 & 10:30AM

Prelude: *Praise His Name (Psalm 148)**

Call to Worship: Psalm 119:25-26, 31-32, 41-43

*This I Believe (The Creed)**

*Holy, Holy, Holy**

Visio Divina (Rublev's Icon of the Holy Trinity / The Hospitality of Abraham)

*Trinity Song**

Passing the Peace

Welcome & Announcements

(dismissed during song: 3 yrs - 3rd grade [9am]; 3 yrs - 8th grade [10:30am])

*Psalm 126** & **"Long Shadow" Prayer** (St. Francis)+

Scripture: Genesis 18:1-15

Sermon: "Shadow of Hospitality"

*The Lord's Prayer (It's Yours)**

Benediction

Postlude

**indicates congregational song*

+a prayer written by someone who has had considerable impact in our faith (has cast a "long shadow")

Leading in the Service

Preaching: Rev. Nate Schipper

Liturgists: Rev. Ross Dieleman, Rev. Tierra Marshall, Jess Mix

Musicians: Beka Folkert, Daniel Gonzalez-Gomez, Stephanie Heerspink, Jasmine & Rodd Lowell, Lori Maatman, Jim McFarland, Abbey Price, Rob Zylman

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As an **ALL BELONG** church, Fellowship welcomes all individuals and families living with disabilities. Please inquire at the Welcome Center for assistance and/or additional information.

DISCOVER FELLOWSHIP

If you would like to learn more about Fellowship, connect with others, and potentially become a member, join us this Wednesday, September 20, for the first of a 3-part class, called "Discover Fellowship." Classes will continue September 27 & October 11 from 6:30pm-7:30pm. Sign up by going to fellowshipholland.churchcenter.com/registrations/events.

SPIRITUAL FITNESS

You're invited to join this group in exercising your spiritual muscles by practicing the practices of the faith! They meet every Sunday morning @ 10:15am in room N-4.

WAYFINDER WORKSHOP

All are welcome to join us next Sunday, September 24, 12:30pm-3:30pm for The Wayfinder Workshop. This workshop gives Christians an introduction to the work of Christian conflict transformation. Lunch will be provided @ 11:45am. Use the QR code to signup.



CONFIRMATION CLASS

Confirmation is for any high school students who are interested in becoming a confirmed member of the church. The class meets from 10:30am-11:30am on Sunday mornings, beginning October 1. Half of the classes will be learning about Christian faith and the church, and the other half will be meeting with a mentor. Throughout the sessions, students will get to know one another and explore the foundations of our faith through topics like:

- Who is God?
- What is the Bible and how do we use it?
- What does it mean to be a member of the church?
- How do faith and science work together?

Use the QR code to sign up.



Casting Shadows

Genesis 18:1-15 | September 17

Journal it. Ask a friend. Discuss it in a group.

Reflect | When did you laugh the hardest this past week or month?

Excavate | If you were Sarah, how would you tell the story of Isaac's birth? What events from Genesis 11-21 would you include and why?

Interpret | Why does Sarah laugh (Genesis 18)?

Examine | Sarah once laughed cynically, now she rejoices in the laughter of her son. What unfulfilled expectations, promises, and hopes now prompt cynical laughter from you? Can you think of moments when God intervened and turned your disappointment to joy and laughter?

Apply | Write a song, poem, or short story that expresses both a lament to God for the unfulfilled expectations, promises, and hopes but also a praise for the ways God's intervention have led to joy and laughter.

Invite | How might you tangibly love someone who's discouraged or disappointed this week e.g. a card, a text, a gift card to a coffee shop, connecting over a coffee, meal, or beverage, etc?