

Fairlawn Christian Reformed Church

MORNING WORSHIP

August 10, 2014

9:30 A.M.

PREPARATION AND PRAISE

Upon entering the sanctuary please maintain silence and turn off all electronic devices for the sake of the congregation's preparation for worship.

Prelude: "I Am Thine, O Lord"

arr. J. Prentiss

Welcome and Announcements

ENTER HIS GATES WITH THANKSGIVING

Silent Prayer and Preparation

* Call to Worship:

Psalm 89

I will sing of the steadfast love of the LORD forever; with my mouth I will make known your faithfulness to all generations. O LORD God of hosts, who is mighty as you are, O LORD, with your faithfulness all around you?

The heavens are yours; the earth also is yours; the world and all that is in it, you have founded them. Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne; steadfast love and faithfulness go before you.

* Hymn:

"God All Nature Sings Thy Glory"

ODE TO JOY

* God's Greeting:

Grace and peace be to you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Our help is in the name of the Lord,

Who made heaven and earth.

Blessed be God,

And blessed is his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

* Prayer of the Day:

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope and love; and, that we may obtain what you have promised, give us grace to love what you command, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

* Response: PH 169 "I Will Sing of the Mercies of the Lord"

FILLMORE

I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever, I will sing. I will sing.

I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever, I will sing of the mercies of the Lord.

With my mouth will I make known your faithfulness, your faithfulness;

With my mouth will I make known your faithfulness to all generations.

I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever, I will sing of the mercies of the Lord.

CONFESSION AND PRAYER

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession:

Almighty God, maker of all things and judge of all peoples, we acknowledge our sins and wickedness before you, which we from time to time, have committed in thought, word, and deed against your holiness. The remembrance of them is grievous, and the burden of them is intolerable. Grant us repentance for the wrong which we have done and forgive us all that is past. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father, for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ and give us grace that we may from now on serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your name.

Silent Prayer and Confession

Minister: Amen.

Assurance of Pardon:

Ezekiel 37

Ministry Report: Jeff Bloem

Congregational Prayer

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

* Hymn: PH 545

"Make Me a Channel of Your Peace"

TEMPLE

(Children age 3 - grade Pre-K may leave during the hymn.)

Solo:

"Show Us Christ"

Plank

Prepare our hearts O God; help us to receive.
Break the hard and stony ground; help our unbelief.
Plant your Word down deep in us; cause it to bear fruit.
Open up our ears to hear; lead us in Your truth.

Show us Christ. Show us Christ.
O God, reveal Your glory through the preaching of Your Word,
Until every heart confesses Christ is Lord.

Your Word is living light upon our darkened eyes,
Guards us through temptations, makes the simple wise.
Your Word is food for famished ones, freedom for the slave,
Riches for the needy soul; come speak to us today.

Show us Christ. Show us Christ.
O God, reveal Your glory through the preaching of Your Word,
Until every heart confesses Christ is Lord.

Where else can we go, Lord? Where else can we go?
You have the words of eternal life.

Reading from the New Testament:

I Corinthians 13

Sermon: *Recovering the Love of God: The Character of Love, Part IV*

Prayer

* Hymn: PH 410

"Crown Him with Many Crowns"

DIADEMATATA

THE OFFERING OF TRIBUTE

* Offertory Prayer

Offering: Fairlawn General Fund

Offertory: "Air"

J.S. Bach

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

* Blessing:

Now may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God our Father, and the abiding fellowship and peace of the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you now and forever. **Amen.**

* Doxology: "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

DIADEMATA

Crown him the Lord of love, behold his hands and side,
rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified:
no angel in the sky can fully bear that sight,
but downward bends his burning eye at mysteries so bright.

* Postlude: "Postludium"

Peeters
