

Fairlawn Christian Reformed Church

# MORNING WORSHIP

August 17, 2014 9:30 A.M.

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## 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: "Amazing Grace"

Jones/Hustad

Welcome and Announcements

## ENTER HIS GATES WITH THANKSGIVING

Silent Prayer and Preparation

- \* Call to Worship: Psalm 98  
Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things. The LORD has made known his salvation; he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations. He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness.  
**All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises! With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD!**
  
- \* Hymn: PH 188 "Praise the Lord, Sing Hallelujah" PRAISE JEHOVAH  
(The refrain will be sung only after the third stanza.)
  
- \* 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:  
**Eternal God our Father, you have taught us in your Word that love is the fulfilling of the Law. Pour into our hearts, by the Holy Spirit, the grace of your love so that we may love you above all else and love our neighbor as ourselves, through Jesus Christ our Lord we pray. Amen.**
  
- \* Response: "Great Is the Lord"  
Great is the Lord, he is holy and just; by his power we trust in his love.  
Great is the Lord, He is faithful and true; by his mercy he proves he is love.  
Great is the Lord and worthy of glory! Great is the Lord and worthy of praise.  
Great is the Lord; now lift up your voice, now lift up your voice:  
Great is the Lord! Great is the Lord! (*Repeat all*)  
  
Great are you, Lord, and worthy of glory! Great are you, Lord, and worthy of praise.  
Great are you, Lord; I lift up my voice, I lift up my voice:  
Great are you, Lord! Great are you, Lord!

## CONFESSION AND PRAYER

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession:

**O great and everlasting God, who searches and knows the thoughts and intentions of our hearts, we confess that we have not loved you with all of our heart, soul, mind and strength. And we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have loved what we ought not to have loved, and we have coveted what is not ours. We have not been content with your providence over our lives or with the provisions you have made for us. We have complained in our hearts about our families, our friends, our health, our vocations, our trials, and about your church. We have sought security in those things which perish, rather than in you, the everlasting God. Cleanse and forgive us, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives to make intercession for us according to your will.**

Silent Prayer and Confession                      Minister: Amen.

Assurance of Pardon:

Isaiah 45

Ministry Report: Gideons Prison Ministry

Welcoming of New Members

Congregational Prayer

### THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

\* Hymn:

“Hear the Call of the Kingdom”

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

\* Reading from the Gospel:

John 13:31-35

Sermon: *The Recovery of the Love of God: Loving One Another*

Prayer

\* Hymn: PH 578

“Jesus, Lover of My Soul”

ABERYSTWYTH

### THE OFFERING OF TRIBUTE

\* Offertory Prayer

Offering: Fairlawn General Fund

Offertory: “Leaning On the Everlasting Arms”

Logan

### 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:

“All Hail King Jesus”

All hail, King Jesus! All hail, Emmanuel. King of kings,  
Lord of lords, Bright Morning Star. And throughout eternity  
I'll sing Your praises, and I'll reign with You throughout eternity.

Dave Moody, 1981, Temple Music, CCLI 1099351

\* Postlude

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