Fairlawn Christian Reformed Church

MORNING WORSHIP

September 21, 2014

10:15 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: "Speak, O Lord"

arr. Larson

"How Great Is Our God / I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

arr. Berry

Welcome and Announcements

ENTER HIS GATES WITH THANKSGIVING

Silent Prayer and Preparation

* Call to Worship:

Psalm 100

Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth. Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs. Know that the LORD is God. It is he who made us, and we are his.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

* Hymn: PH 48, stanzas 1-4

"Great Is the Lord Our God"

DIADEMATA

* 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 God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of our sinful hearts. Give us grace to love what you command and desire what you promise, that among the swift and varied changes of this world, our hearts may be surely fixed where true joys are known. Through Jesus Christ our Lord we pray. Amen.

* Response: PH 48, stanza 5

"Great Is the Lord Our God"

DIADEMATA

Observe her palaces, mark her defenses well,

that to the children following you her glories you may tell.

For God as our own God forever will abide,

And till life's journey close in death will be our faithful guide.

CONFESSION AND PRAYER

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession:

Most merciful God, we confess to you that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have disobeyed you in thought, word, and deed; and not only in outward transgressions, but also in secret thoughts and desires that we are ashamed to acknowledge, but which are known unto you. For this reason we seek refuge in your infinite mercy and pray that you would be gracious to us, and turn from us those punishments which we by our sins have deserved. Forgive us for all of our sins and renew within us the image of Jesus Christ, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Silent Prayer and Confession

Minister: Amen.

Assurance of Pardon:

Psalm 32

Congregational Prayer

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

* Hymn: Insert

"In Christ Alone"
(Children age 3 - grade Pre-K may leave during the hymn.)

Scripture Reading: Luke 18:9-14

Sermon: A Gospel-Centered Heart

Prayer

* Hymn: PH 479 "I Will Sing of My Redeemer" HYFRYDOL

THE OFFERING OF TRIBUTE

* Offertory Prayer

Offering: Fairlawn General Fund

Offertory: "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

arr. Hudson

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: "Majesty"

Majesty, worship his majesty. Unto Jesus be all glory, honor, and praise.

Majesty, kingdom authority flow from his throne unto his own; his anthem raise.

So exalt, lift up on high the name of Jesus.

Magnify, come glorify Christ Jesus, the King.

Majesty, worship his majesty; Jesus who died, now glorified, King of all kings.

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Postlude