

Fairlawn Christian Reformed Church
CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

November 23, 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: "We Gather Together"

Welcome and Announcements

ENTER HIS GATES WITH THANKSGIVING

Silent Prayer and Preparation

- * Call to Worship: Psalm 99
The LORD reigns: let the people tremble! He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake! The LORD is great in Zion; he is exalted over all the peoples. Let them praise your great and awesome name! Holy is he!
The King in his might loves justice. You have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob. Exalt the LORD our God; worship at his footstool! Holy is he!

- * Hymn: PH 246, stanzas 1-3 "Come, Thou Almighty King" ITALIAN HYMN

- * 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, whose will it is to restore all things in your Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords, mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth who are divided and enslaved by sin, may be set free from the tyranny of evil and be brought into your kingdom through the gracious rule of our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

- * Response: PH 246, stanza 4 "Come, Thou Almighty King" ITALIAN HYMN
To thee, great One in Three, eternal praises be
hence evermore! Thy sovereign majesty
may we in glory see, and to eternity love and adore.

CONFESSION AND PRAYER

Responsive Reading of the Law: PH 1017

Prayer of Confession:

Most holy and merciful Father, we confess before you our sinful actions and all our shortcomings and offenses. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your way, in wasting your gifts, and in forgetting your love. You know that we are prone to evil and slow to do good. Have mercy upon us, O Lord, for we are sorry and ashamed for what we have done to displease you. Teach us to despise our wrongdoings and cleanse us from our secret faults. Have mercy upon us and forgive us for our sins and our disobedience to your Word. Give us grace to live in your light and walk in your ways, through Jesus Christ our Lord we pray.

Silent Prayer and Confession Minister: Amen.

Assurance of Pardon:

Colossians 1

Choral Anthem: "Hymn of Grateful Praise"

arr. Fettke

(The congregation is asked to join the choir in singing the fourth verse.)

For thyself, best gift divine, to our race so feely giv'n.

For that great, great love of Thine, peace on earth and joy in heav'n.

Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

Congregational Prayer

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

* Hymn: PH 93

"The LORD Is King, Enthroned"

RIALTO

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

Scripture Reading:

Mark 9:14-29

Sermon: *What Does It Mean to Trust God?*

Prayer

* Hymn: Bulletin pp. 3-4

"Ten Thousand Reasons"

THE OFFERING OF TRIBUTE

* Offertory Prayer

Offering: Fairlawn General Fund

Offertory

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: PH 453

"Let All Things Now Living"

ASH GROVE

Postlude: "Let All Things Now Living"
