

Fairlawn Christian Reformed Church  
**THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT**

March 8, 2015 10:15 A.M.

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**PREPARATION AND PRAISE**

Prelude: "In Christ Alone/The Solid Rock"  
"Nothings but the Blood"

Arr. Larson  
Lowry/Arr. Kingsmore

Welcome and Announcements

**ENTER HIS GATES WITH THANKSGIVING**

Silent Prayer and Preparation

- \* Call to Worship: Psalm 89  
I will sing of the LORD's great love forever; with my mouth I will make your faithfulness known through all generations. I will declare that your love stands firm forever, that you have established your faithfulness in heaven itself.  
**The heavens praise your wonders, O LORD, your faithfulness in the assembly of the holy ones. O LORD God Almighty, who is like you? You are mighty, O LORD, and your faithfulness surrounds you.**

- \* Hymn: PH 48 "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:  
**Lord God, whose glory it is to always have mercy, be gracious to all who have wandered from your ways, and bring them again with repentant hearts and steadfast faith, to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, through Jesus Christ our Lord we pray. Amen.**

- \* Response: "We Bow Down"  
You are Lord of creation and Lord of my life,  
Lord of the land and the sea;  
You were Lord of the heavens before there was time,  
And Lord of all lords You will be.  
We bow down and we worship You, Lord. (3X)  
Lord of all lords you will be.

## CONFESSION AND PRAYER

Responsive Reading of the Law:

PH 1014

Prayer of Confession:

Adapted from *Luther's Prayer*

**Lord God, you are the potter and skilled master of my life. I am your clay. I sincerely acknowledge and confess the godless condition which shows itself in my flesh and sinful nature. I am led to this confession not by my reason, which would rather cover and disguise my unrighteousness, but do so because of the truth of your Word and promise. O Lord, I am your sin, you are my righteousness. Have mercy upon me for in you alone do I trust. I ask this because of the blood, the suffering and the death of Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom I pray. Amen.**

Silent Prayer and Confession      Minister: Amen

Assurance of Pardon:

Psalm 103

Choral Anthem: "With His Stripes We Are Healed"

Lila Miller

Congregational Prayer

### THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

\* Hymn: Insert      "The Power of the Cross"      OH TO SEE THE DAWN  
(Children age 3 - grade Pre-K may leave after the hymn.)

\* The Reading from the Gospel:      Luke 10:25-37

Sermon: *The Parable of the Good Samaritan*

Prayer

\* Hymn: PH 291      "May the Mind of Christ, My Savior"      ST. LEONARDS

### THE OFFERING OF TRIBUTE

\* Offertory Prayer

Offerings: Fairlawn General Fund

Offertory: "The Power of the Cross/When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" Arr. Larson

### 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 373, stanza 3      “Lift High the Cross”

CRUCIFER

Refrain: *Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim  
till all the world adore his sacred name.*

From north and south, from east and west we raise  
in growing unison our song of praise. (*repeat refrain*)

Postlude:

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