

Fairlawn Christian Reformed Church

PENTECOST SUNDAY

May 24, 2015

10:15 A.M.

PREPARATION AND PRAISE

Prelude: "In Thee Is Gladness"

Bish

Welcome and Announcements

ENTER HIS GATES WITH THANKSGIVING

Silent Prayer and Preparation

- * Call to Worship: Zechariah 12, 13
"I will pour out on the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem a spirit of grace and supplication. On that day a fountain will be opened to the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, to cleanse them from sin and impurity.
"They will call on my name and I will answer them; I will say, 'they are my people,' and they will say, 'The LORD is our God.'"

- * Hymn: PH 425 "Creator Spirit, by Whose Aid" MELITA

- * 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, to you we offer our praise and thanksgiving for sending the promised Spirit to renew our hearts, to consecrate your church, to proclaim the gospel to all nations, and to restore creation to its appointed purpose. Fill us with the Spirit of Pentecost, that your way may be known upon the earth, and your saving health among all peoples, through Jesus Christ our exalted King we pray. Amen.

- * Response: "All Creatures of Our God and King" LASST UNS ERFREUEN
Let all things their Creator bless, and worship him in humbleness,
O praise him, alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
and praise the Spirit, three in one,
O praise him, O praise him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

CONFESSION AND PRAYER

Responsive Reading of the Law: PH 1017

Prayer of Confession:

Most gracious Father, who keeps covenant with those who love and obey you, we come seeking your forgiveness and mercy for our offenses against your holy majesty. We have sinned before you and before the angels, and our sins are as numerous as the sands upon the seashore. Do not turn away from us nor hide your face from us, but look upon us with compassion and mercy and remove from us those punishments which our sins deserve. Forgive us for our transgressions and cleanse us from that which defiles our conscience and stains our souls. For the sake of your great name, have mercy upon us. Protect us with the shield of your truth so that the fiery arrows of Satan may not harm us, through Jesus Christ our Lord, we pray. Silent Prayer and Confession Minister: Amen.

Assurance of Pardon:

Hebrews 8

Choral Anthem: "Go Ye into All the World"

Butler

Congregational Prayer

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

* Hymn: Insert "Holy Spirit" Getty, Townend

The choir will sing the first verse and the congregation is asked to join in singing verses 2 and 3.

[Children age 3 - grade Pre-K may leave after the hymn.]

Scripture Reading:

Romans 8

Sermon: *The Intercession of the Spirit*

Prayer

* Hymn: PH 419 "Spirit of God, Who Dwells within My Heart" MORECAMBE

THE OFFERING OF TRIBUTE

* Offertory Prayer

Offerings: Fairlawn General Fund

Offertory: "Holy Spirit, Faithful Guide"

Kerr

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: "O Holy Spirit, by Whose Breath" DUKE STREET

Praise to the Father, Christ, his Word,
and to the Spirit: God the Lord,
to whom all honor, glory be
both now and for eternity.

Postlude
