

Fairlawn Christian Reformed Church

# MORNING WORSHIP

October 11, 2015

10:15 A.M.

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## PREPARATION AND PRAISE

Prelude: "Lord of All Hopefulness" (PH 558)  
"What a Friend We Have in Jesus" (PH 579)

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## ENTER HIS GATES WITH THANKSGIVING

Silent Prayer and Preparation

- \* Call to Worship: Psalm 99  
The LORD reigns, let the nations tremble; he sits enthroned between the cherubim, let the earth shake. Great is the LORD in Zion; he is exalted over all the nations. Let them praise your great and awesome name—he is holy.  
**Exalt the LORD our God and worship at his footstool; he is holy. Exalt the LORD our God and worship at his holy mountain, for the LORD our God is holy.**

- \* Hymn: PH 504, stanzas 1-3 "Holy God, We Praise Your Name" GROSSER GOTT

- \* 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 our Father, you alone can bring order into the unruly wills and affections of our hearts. Grant 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 surely be fixed where true joys are to be found, through Jesus Christ our Lord we pray. Amen.**

- \* Response: PH 504, stanza 4 "Holy God, We Praise Your Name" GROSSER GOTT

Holy Father, holy Son, Holy Spirit, three we name you,  
though in essence only one; undivided God, we claim you,  
and, adoring, bend the knee while we own the mystery.

## CONFESSION AND PRAYER

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession:

**Most gracious Father, we confess that we have often failed to respond to your purpose for our lives that you have revealed in Christ Jesus our Lord. We have not faced our sin and brokenness, and have often fled from your grace and resisted your mercy. We acknowledge that our sinful ways go much deeper than the irreverent behavior of our lives. We have sought to hide from the light of your Word that searches the thoughts and intentions of our hearts. Forgive us for our self-deception, our stubborn hearts, and our avoidance of your truth. In your mercy, keep us from a false confession and an empty repentance. Give us strength to confess our sins and turn from the idols of our hearts. By your grace, may we bring forth fruit unto eternal life, for the glory of your name, through Christ our Lord we pray.**      Silent Prayer and Confession      Minister: Amen.

Assurance of Pardon:

Romans 5

Congregational Prayer

### THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

\* Hymn: Bulletin p. 3

“In Christ Alone”

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

Scripture Reading:

I John 5:13-21

Sermon: *The Things That We Know*

Prayer

\* Hymn: PH 477, stanzas 1-3 “You Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim”

HANOVER

### THE OFFERING OF TRIBUTE

\* Offertory Prayer

Offerings: Fairlawn General Fund

Offertory: “What Shall I Render to the Lord” (PH 178)

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### 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 477, stanza 4 “You Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim” HANOVER

Then let us adore and give him his right:  
all glory and power, all wisdom and might,  
all honor and blessing—with angels above—  
and thanks never ceasing for infinite love.

\* Postlude: “Hallelujah, Hallelujah” (PH 117)

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