Fairlawn Christian Reformed Church

MORNING WORSHIP

October 18, 2015 10:15 A.M.

PREPARATION AND PRAISE

Prelude: "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"

ENTER HIS GATES WITH THANKSGIVING

Silent Prayer and Preparation

* Call to Worship:

The LORD reigns, let the earth rejoice; let the many coastlands be glad! The heavens proclaim his righteousness and all the peoples see his glory. All worshippers of images are put to shame, who make their boast in worthless idols; worship him, all you gods!

For you, O LORD, are most high over all the earth; you are exalted far above all gods. Light is sown for the righteous, and joy for the upright in heart. Rejoice in the LORD, O you righteous, and give thanks to his holy name!

* Hymn: PH 429

"The Heavens Declare Your Glory"

FAITHFUL

* 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:

Grant us grace, Lord God our Father, to trust in you with all of our hearts, for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord we pray. Amen.

* Response:

"Here I Am to Worship"

HERE I AM TO WORSHIP

Light of the world, you stepped down into darkness, opened my eyes, let me see. Beauty that made this heart adore you, hope of a life spent with you. Here I am to worship; here I am to bow down;

here I am to say that you're my God.

You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy, altogether wonderful to me.

Dykes/arr. White

Psalm 97

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CONFESSION AND PRAYER

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession:

Have mercy upon us, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy, blot out our transgressions. Wash us thoroughly from our iniquities, and cleanse us from our sins, for we know our transgressions, and our sin is ever before us. Against you, you alone have we sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are justified when you speak, and blameless when you judge. Indeed, we were born guilty, sinners when our mothers conceived us. Hide your face from our sins, and blot out all our iniquities. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Do not cast us away from your presence, and do not take your Holy Spirit from us. This we pray through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Silent Prayer and Confession Minister[.] Amen

Assurance of Pardon:

Choir Anthem: "Abide With Me"

Congregational Prayer

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

* Hymn: PH 547	"Fill Thou My Life, O Lord, My God"	Ellecombe
	[Children age 3 - grade Pre-K may leave after the hymn.]	

Scripture Reading:

Sermon: Seeing Life Clearly

Prayer

* Hymn: Bulletin p. 3

"Be Thou My Vision"

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THE OFFERING OF TRIBUTE

* Offertory Prayer

Offerings: Fairlawn General Fund Offertory: "Praise God, from Whom all Blessing Flow" arr. Hudson

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

* Blessina:

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 vou now and forever. Amen.

- Doxology: PH 453 "Let All Things Now Living" ASH GROVE
- Postlude

Romans 5

Psalm 51, adapted

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Isaiah 42:1-9: Mark 8:22-26