

Fairlawn Christian Reformed Church

MORNING WORSHIP

January 10, 2016

10:15 A.M.

PREPARATION AND PRAISE

Prelude: "I Come with Joy to Meet My Lord"
"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"
"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

Haan
Hopson
Lowe

ENTER HIS GATES WITH THANKSGIVING

Silent Prayer and Preparation

- * Call to Worship: Psalm 73:23-28
Yet I am always with you; you hold me by my right hand. You guide me with your counsel, and afterward you will take me into glory.
Whom have I in heaven but you? And earth has nothing I desire besides you. My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.
Those who are far from you will perish; you destroy all who are unfaithful to you.
But as for me, it is good to be near God. I have made the Sovereign LORD my refuge; I will tell of all your deeds.

- * Hymn: PH 311, stanzas 1-3 "I Come with Joy to Meet My Lord" LAND OF REST

- * 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:

Almighty God, since have generously invited us to yourself and given your word for our salvation—grant that we may willingly and humbly obey you, so that what you have designed for our salvation may not turn to our loss. May the seed of eternal hope so drive its roots into our hearts and bring forth fruit, that your name may be glorified. May we be so planted in the courts of your house that we may grow and flourish and produce fruit all our life, until we finally enjoy the blessed life which is laid up for us in heaven, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

* Response: PH 244, stanza 1 "God Himself Is with Us"

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God himself is with us; let us now adore him,
and with awe appear before him.
God is in his temple; all within keep silence,
prostrate lie with deepest reverence.
Him alone do we own as our God and Savior;
praise his name forever.

CONFESSION AND PRAYER

Call to Confession:

Isaiah 6:1-5

Prayer of Confession:

Merciful God, you made us in your image, with a mind to know you, a heart to love you, and a will to serve you. But our knowledge is imperfect, our love inconstant, our obedience incomplete. Day by day, we fail to grow into your likeness. In your tender love, forgive us through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Silent Prayer and Confession

Minister: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

All: Amen.

Assurance of Pardon:

Acts 12:38-39

Congregational Prayer

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

* Hymn: PH 282

"Break Now the Bread of Life"

BREAD OF LIFE

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

Scripture Reading:

John 6:32-59

Sermon: *The Sacramental Life: Encountering the Invisible God in the Visible World*

Prayer

* Hymn: PH 312 (repeat 3 times)

"Eat This Bread"

EAT THIS BREAD

THE OFFERING OF TRIBUTE

* Offertory Prayer

Offerings: Fairlawn General Fund

Offertory

* Doxology: PH 638 "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

OLD HUNDREDETH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.