

Fairlawn Christian Reformed Church

MORNING WORSHIP

July 3, 2016 9:30 A.M.

PREPARATION AND PRAISE

Prelude: "Holy, Holy, Holy"

Post

ENTER HIS GATES WITH THANKSGIVING

Silent Prayer and Preparation

- * Call to Worship: Psalm 72:1-7
Give the king your justice, O God, and your righteousness to a king's son.
May he judge your people with righteousness, and your poor with justice.
May the mountains yield prosperity for the people, and the hills, in righteousness.
May he defend the cause of the poor of the people, give deliverance to the needy, and crush the oppressor.
May he live while the sun endures, and as long as the moon, throughout all generations.
May he be like rain that falls on the mown grass, like showers that water the earth.
In his days may righteousness flourish and peace abound, until the moon is no more.
- * Hymn: PH 599 "God of All Ages, Whose Almighty Hand" NATIONAL HYMN
- * 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:
O Lord of providence holding the destiny of the nations in your hand, we pray for our country. Inspire the hearts and minds of our leaders that they, together with all our nation, may first seek your kingdom and righteousness so that order, liberty, and peace may dwell with your people. Amen.
- * Response: Verses 1, 2, 3 "Be Thou My Vision" SLANE

CONFESSION AND PRAYER

Call to Confession:

James 4:7–10

Prayer of Confession:

**Eternal God, we confess that often we have failed
to be an obedient church:
we have not done your will;
we have broken your law;
we have rebelled against your love;
we have not loved our neighbors;
we have not heard the cry of the needy.
Forgive us, we pray.
Free us for joyful obedience.
Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon:

Romans 5:6–8

God's Will for Our Lives:

Matthew 25:31–40

Response: Bulletin p. 2, vv. 4, 5

"Be Thou My Vision"

SLANE

Congregational Prayer

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

* Hymn: Bulletin pp. 7-8

"Blest Are They"

BLEST ARE THEY

Scripture Reading:

Micah 6:1–8; Matthew 5:1–12

Sermon: *God's Great Expectations*

Theme: Liberty and Justice for All

Prayer:

Bless us, O Lord,

**And make us poor in spirit, mournful of our sins, teachable,
and hungry for righteousness,**

Bless us, Holy Spirit,

And make us merciful, pure in heart, and peacemakers,

And bless us, O Father,

**When we are persecuted for righteousness,
and our faith in Jesus.**

**That we might act justly, love mercy and walk humbly with You, our God,
And be known as Your children, through Christ Jesus. Amen!**

* Hymn: PH 593, vv. 1-3

"My Song Forever Shall Record"

WINCHESTER NEW

THE OFFERING OF TRIBUTE

* Offertory Prayer

Offerings: Fairlawn General Fund

Offertory: "Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love"

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

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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.