

MORNING WORSHIP

September 11, 2016

10:15 A.M.

PREPARATION AND PRAISE

Prelude: "Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word"

Kerr/Walther

ENTER HIS GATES WITH THANKSGIVING

Silent Prayer and Preparation

* Call to Worship:

Psalm 124

If it had not been the LORD who was on our side—let Israel now say—if it had not been the LORD who was on our side, when our enemies attacked us,

then they would have swallowed us up alive, when their anger was kindled against us;

then the flood would have swept us away, the torrent would have gone over us; then over us would have gone the raging waters.

Blessed be the LORD, who has not given us as prey to their teeth.

We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowlers; the snare is broken, and we have escaped.

Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth.

* Hymn: PH 475

"Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"

LAUDA ANIMA

* 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, gracious Father, our salvation depends upon your holy Word. Grant to all of us that our hearts, turning now from the world around us, may hear and grasp your holy Word with all diligence and faith, that we may rightly understand your gracious will, cherish it, and live by it with all earnestness to your praise and honor. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

* Response: PH 46, vv. 1, 5

"God Is Our Refuge and Our Strength"

GERARD

CONFESSION AND PRAYER

Call to Confession:

Based on Solomon's prayer in II Chronicles 6:36-39

Prayer of Confession:

Almighty God, our Redeemer, in our weakness we have failed to be your messengers of forgiveness and hope. Renew us by your Holy Spirit, that we may follow your commands and proclaim your reign of love, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon: Romans 5:1–2, 6–8

God's Will for Our Lives: Philippians 4:4–7

Response: Insert "Blessed Be Your Name" BLESSED BE YOUR NAME

Congregational Prayer

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

* Hymn: PH 469 "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" EIN FESTE BURG
[Children age 3–grade Pre-K may leave after the hymn.]

Heidelberg Catechism, Lord's Day 10, Q. & A. 27 and 28 PH 871

Scripture Reading: Psalm 46 (p. 559)

Sermon: *We Will Not Fear*

Prayer

* Hymn: PH 489 "When Peace like a River" VILLE DU HAVRE

THE OFFERING OF TRIBUTE

* Offertory Prayer

Offerings: Fairlawn General Fund

Offertory: "Meditation on Joy" Parker

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

* Blessing: John 14:27

Jesus said, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid."

* Benediction: Numbers 6:24–26

The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you; the LORD turn his face toward you, and give you peace.
Amen.

* Doxology: "Creation Sings the Father's Song"

(The music may be found on the bulletin insert.
We are singing verse 1 and repeating the chorus two times.)

Creation sings the Father's song; He calls the sun to wake the dawn
and run the course of day, till evening falls in crimson rays.
His fingerprints in flakes of snow, His breath upon this spinning globe
He charts the eagle's flight; commands the newborn baby's cry.

Refrain: Hallelujah! Let all creation stand and sing, "Hallelujah!"
Fill the earth with songs of worship;
Tell the wonders of creation's King. (*Repeat Chorus*)

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* Postlude: "Postlude" Zipoli