

Fairlawn Christian Reformed Church

MORNING WORSHIP

October 2, 2016 10:15 A.M.

PREPARATION AND PRAISE

Prelude: "In Christ There Is No East or West"

Wood

ENTER HIS GATES WITH THANKSGIVING

Silent Prayer and Preparation

* Call to Worship: Psalm 108:1–5

My heart is steadfast, O God; I will sing and make music with all my soul.

Awake, harp and lyre! I will awaken the dawn.

I will praise you, O LORD, among the nations; I will sing of you among the peoples.

For great is your love, higher than the heavens; your faithfulness reaches to the skies. Be exalted, O God, above the heavens, and let your glory be over all the earth.

* Hymn: Bulletin 244 "God Himself Is with Us" ARNSBERG

* 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:

Our Great God and Father, we draw near to you with all holy reverence and confidence, coming as children to a father able and ready to help us as we pray together and for others. Enable us and others to glorify you in all that we do as we live and work in the creation that displays your power and mercy, and be pleased to shape our lives and our world for your own glory. Amen.

* Response: PH 547, vv. 1, 3 "Fill Thou My Life, O Lord, My God" ELLACOMBE

CONFESSION AND PRAYER

Call to Confession:

Hosea 10:12–14a

Prayer of Confession:

O Lord, when you have spoken in your word and we have done the opposite, forgive us. When you have shown love to us and we have been unloving to others, forgive us. When you have been rich in mercy and we have been slow to forgive, forgive us. When you have filled the earth with your glory and we have failed to glorify you, forgive us. For the sins that we know most intimately, which we now confess to you, forgive us.

Silent Prayer and Confession

Minister: Lord, in your mercy,

All: **Hear our prayer. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon:

Hosea 14:4–8

God's Will for Our Lives:

Galatians 5:22–26

Response: PH 513, vv. 1, 2 "Christian Hearts in Love United" O DU LIEBE MEINER LIEBE

Congregational Prayer

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

* Hymn: PH 278

"Holy Spirit, Mighty God"

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

Prayer

Scripture Reading:

Exodus 20:1–6 (p. 73)
Acts 17:16–34 (p. 1097)

Heidelberg Catechism; Lord's Day 35

PH 906

Sermon: *The Only Images God Requires*

Theme: Making Proper Images of God

Prayer:

Great God, make your church a magnificent witness to the nations, a wise and understanding people. Mark us with generous faith—a community that follows your commands and avoids evil, a people who single-mindedly love you and their neighbors. May your church be the cause of joy in the world. In Christ's name, amen.

* Hymn: PH 563

"God Works His Purposes in Us"

SONG 67

THE OFFERING OF TRIBUTE

* Offertory Prayer

Offerings: Fairlawn General Fund

Offertory: "Te Ofrecemos" ("Now We Offer")

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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.