

Fairlawn Christian Reformed Church

MORNING WORSHIP

October 23, 2016 10:15 A.M.

PREPARATION AND PRAISE

Prelude: "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

Jordan

ENTER HIS GATES WITH THANKSGIVING

Silent Prayer and Preparation

* Call to Worship:

Psalm 84:1–4, 10–12

How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts!

My soul longs, indeed it faints for the courts of the LORD; my heart and my flesh sing for joy to the living God.

Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, at your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.

Happy are those who live in your house, ever singing your praise.

For a day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.

I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than live in the tents of wickedness.

For the LORD God is a sun and shield; he bestows favor and honor.

No good thing does the LORD withhold from those who walk uprightly. O LORD of hosts, happy is everyone who trusts in you.

* Hymn: PH 243

"How Lovely Is Your Dwelling"

ST. EDITH

* 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:

Dear God, silence all voices within our minds but your own. Help us to seek and be able to follow your will. May our prayers be joined with those of our sisters and brothers in the faith, that together we may glorify your name and enjoy your fellowship forever. In Jesus' name, Amen.

* Response: PH 514

"How Good and Pleasant Is the Sight"

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CONFESSION AND PRAYER

Call to Confession:

Hebrews 3:12–13

Prayer of Confession:

Almighty and merciful God, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. O Lord, have mercy upon us.

Silent Prayer and Confession

Minister: Lord, in your mercy,

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

Assurance of Pardon:

Hebrews 4:14–15

God's Will for Our Lives: Antiphonal Reading of the Ten Commandments PH 1017

The members of the congregation seated on the organ side of the sanctuary will read the part of the *Leader*, and those seated on the piano side will respond with the parts indicated by *People*.

Response: PH 260, v. 3

“Not What My Hands Have Done”

LEOMINSTER

I praise the Christ of God; I rest on love divine;
and with unfaltering lip and heart I call this Savior mine.
My Lord has saved my life and freely pardon gives;
I love because he first loved me, I live because he lives.

Congregational Prayer

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

* Hymn: PH 488

“I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say”

RESTING PLACE

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

Heidelberg Catechism: Lord's Day 38

PH 909

Scripture Readings:

Exodus 20:8–11 (p. 74); Deuteronomy 5:12–15;
Hebrews 4:9–11 (p. 1186)

Sermon: *The Eternal Sabbath*

Theme: The Sabbath Was Made for Us!

Prayer:

**Take me, Lord, from busy-ness
To the place of quietness,
From the tumult without cease
Into Your great unending peace.
Help me, then, my Lord, to see
What I am and ought to be.**

**God of life, God of peace,
God of wonders that will not cease.**

**God eternal, Trinity,
God everlasting,
Come to me. Amen.**

* Hymn: PH 490

“Blessed Assurance: Jesus Is Mine”

ASSURANCE

THE OFFERING OF TRIBUTE

* Offertory Prayer

Offering: Fairlawn General Fund

Offertory: "Blessed Assurance"

Beck/Linker

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

* Blessing:

Celtic Daily Prayer

May the peace of the Lord Christ go with you, wherever He may send you.

May He guide you through the wilderness, protect you through the storm.

May He bring you home rejoicing at the wonders He has shown you.

May He bring you home rejoicing once again into our doors.

* Benediction:

II Thessalonians 2:16–17

May our Lord Jesus Christ Himself and God our Father, who loved us and by His grace gave us eternal encouragement and good hope, encourage your hearts and strengthen you in every good deed and word. **Amen.**

* Doxology: Bulletin p. 4 "Benediction/My Friends May You Grow in Grace" BENEDICTION

Meaney, Diamond, DeMey, Kett 1991, 2001, Wiseman Music, CCLI 1099351

* Postlude: "Trumpet Dialogue"

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