

Fairlawn Christian Reformed Church
REFORMATION SUNDAY

October 30, 2016 10:15 A.M.

PREPARATION AND PRAISE

Prelude: "Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word"

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ENTER HIS GATES WITH THANKSGIVING

Silent Prayer and Preparation

* Call to Worship:

Psalm 46

* Hymn: PH 469

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

EIN FESTE BURG

* 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:

Great and wonderful God, what a story your holy book tells! Thank you for making yourself known more openly in your Word. Help us understand that we will know you best not by mastering Scripture trivia but by entering in and becoming part of your salvation story, letting it lead and shape our lives. In the name of Jesus, the story's center, amen.

* Response:

"God Is Here"

NETTLETON

God is here! As we, your people, meet to offer praise and prayer, may we find in fuller measure what it is in Christ we share.

Here, as in the world around us, all our varied skills and arts wait the coming of your Spirit into open minds and hearts.

Lord of all, of church and kingdom, in an age of change and doubt, keep us faithful to the gospel; help us work your purpose out.

Here, in this day's celebration, all we have to give, receive; we who cannot live without you, we adore you! We believe.

CONFESSION AND PRAYER

Call to Confession:

based on Hebrews 4:14, 16

Minister: Seeing that we have a great High Priest who has entered the inmost heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us therefore approach the throne of grace with fullest confidence, that we may receive mercy for our failures and grace to help in the hour of need. In the strength of this assurance, let us confess our sins to God.

Prayer of Confession:

O great and gracious God, we confess that we have all sinned and come far short of Your glory. We have neglected and abused Your holy worship. We have dealt unjustly and uncharitably with our neighbors. We have not sought first Your Kingdom. You have revealed Your wonderful love to us in Christ and offered us pardon and salvation in Him; but we ignored You. We have run toward temptation; and the sin that we should have hated, we have committed. Have mercy on us, most merciful Father! In Your Son is our salvation, in Your promises our hope. Take us for Your children and give us the Spirit of Your Son, and in the end receive us into Your glory, through Jesus Christ our only Savior. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon:

Romans 1:16–17

God's Will for Our Lives:

Romans 12:1–3

Response: PH 446 "If You But Trust in God to Guide You" WER NUR DEN LIEBEN GOTT

Mission Report: Brandon Hehn

Congregational Prayer

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

* Hymn: PH 291 "May the Mind of Christ, My Savior" ST. LEONARDS
[Children age 3 - grade Pre-K may leave after the hymn.]

Scripture Readings: Philippians 1:3–18 (p. 1161)

Sermon: *Gospel Inc.*

Prayer

* Hymn: Bulletin p. 3 "The Servant Song" THE SERVANT SONG

THE OFFERING OF TRIBUTE

* Offertory Prayer

Offering: Fairlawn General Fund

Offertory: "May the Mind of Christ" Schrader

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:

Numbers 6:24–26

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

* Doxology:

“Forth in the Peace of Christ We Go”

WINCHESTER NEW

Forth in the peace of Christ we go; Christ to the world with joy we bring;
Christ in our minds Christ on our lips, Christ in our hearts, the world's true King.

We are the church; Christ bids us show that in his church all nations find
their hearth and home, where Christ restores true peace, true love, to all mankind.

* Postlude