

hFairlawn Christian Reformed Church

MORNING WORSHIP

February 12, 2017

10:15 A.M.

PREPARATION AND PRAISE

ENTER HIS GATES WITH THANKSGIVING

Silent Prayer and Preparation

* Call to Worship:

Psalms 19:1-4, 7-11, 14

The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge.

There is no speech, nor are there words; their voice is not heard;

yet their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world.

The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul;

the decrees of the LORD are sure, making wise the simple;

the precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart;

the commandments of the LORD are clear, enlightening the eyes;

the fear of the LORD is pure, enduring forever;

the ordinances of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.

More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold;

sweeter also than honey, and drippings of the honeycomb.

Moreover by them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward.

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to you, O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.

* Hymn: PH 429

"The Heavens Declare Your Glory"

FAITHFUL

* 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:

Blessed are you, God of all creation. You spoke in the beginning, and all things came to be. You spoke, and your Word came to live with us, full of grace and truth. Bless this place where we would hear your voice. Bless this place where we would hear your story. As we listen, may our ears be attuned to you. As the Word is spoken, may you speak to us. May all we hear lead us to you. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Response: PH 504, v. 1 "Holy God, We Praise Your Name"

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Holy God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we bow before you.
Saints on earth your rule acclaim, all in heaven above adore you.
Infinite your vast domain; everlasting is your reign.

CONFESSION AND PRAYER

Call to Confession:

Matthew 12:34-37

Prayer of Confession:

O Lord, with the prophet Isaiah, we acknowledge that we are "a people of unclean lips." With angry words, sarcasm, gossip, innuendo, "little white lies," outright dishonesty, and the like, we have used the good gift of speech for our own sinful purposes. We have promoted ourselves and belittled others. We have tried to hide the truth from each other and from you. We do not like to name our sins for what they are. Cleanse our lips as well as the minds and hearts that produce their words. Through Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh, give us better words to speak, so that you are praised and our families, friends and neighbors are built up. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon:

Romans 10:8-11

God's Will for Our Lives:

Colossians 3:15-17

Choral Anthem: "Holy, Holy, Holy"

Clatterbuck

Congregational Prayer

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

- * Hymn: Bulletin p. 3 "Lord, We Hear Your Word with Gladness" HOLY MANNA
[Children age 3 - grade Pre-K may leave after the hymn.]

Scripture Readings: Exodus 20:1-16 (p. 73); I Corinthians 13:4-7 (p. 1137)

Heidelberg Catechism: Lord's Day 43, Q & A 112

PH 914

Sermon: *Speaking the Truth in Love*

Prayer

- * Hymn: PH 574 "O God, My Faithful God" DARMSTADT

THE RESPONSE OF FAITH

- * Offertory Prayer
Offerings: Fairlawn General Fund
* The Apostles' Creed (Inside front cover of the Psalter Hymnal)

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

- * 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: PH 117 "Hallelujah, Hallelujah" IN BABILONE
Hallelujah, hallelujah; all you peoples, praise proclaim.
For God's grace and loving kindness O sing praises to his name.
For the greatness of his mercy constant praise to him accord.
For his faithfulness eternal, hallelujah, praise the LORD.
- * Postlude