

Fairlawn Christian Reformed Church

THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

April 2, 2017 10:15 A.M.

PREPARATION AND PRAISE

Prelude: "Gird Thee Now, My Soul, with Gladness"

Bach

ENTER HIS GATES WITH THANKSGIVING

Silent Prayer and Preparation

* Call to Worship:

Luke 1:68–75

Blessed be the Lord God of Israel,

for he has looked favorably on his people and redeemed them.

He has raised up a mighty savior for us in the house of his servant David,

as he spoke through the mouth of his holy prophets from of old,

that we would be saved from our enemies and from the hand of all who hate us.

Thus he has shown the mercy promised to our ancestors,

and has remembered his holy covenant,

the oath that he swore to our ancestor Abraham, to grant to us

so that we, being rescued from the hands of our enemies, might serve him without fear,

in holiness and righteousness before him all our days.

* Hymn: PH 556

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

FAITHFULNESS

* 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:

O Great Redeemer, Lord, and Savior,

as we gather here today,

bless us with your love and power,

give grace to hear and to obey. Amen.

* Response: PH 628

"Worthy Is Christ"

DIGNO ES JESUS

Worthy is Christ, worthy is Christ;

To him be praise and glory: worthy is the Lord.

He gave his life, he died for me;

To him be praise and glory: worthy is the Lord.

CONFESSION AND PRAYER

Call to Confession:

Psalm 24:3–6

Prayer of Confession: Bulletin pp. 5-6 “Give Us Clean Hands”

GIVE US CLEAN HANDS

Assurance of Pardon:

Isaiah 53:4–6

God’s Will for Our Lives:

I John 4:7–12; 16–21

Mission Report: Ahadi Family Kenya

Congregational Prayer

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

* Hymn: PH 256

“Out of the Depths I Cry”

SANDON

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

Scripture Reading: Psalm 130

Sermon: *Waiting for God*

Theme: The Cry of the Desperate Soul

Prayer:

**In God’s power, in His peace, in His presence, we place ourselves today.
Holy and Mighty God, protect us by Your power, provide us with Your peace,
fill us with Your presence, and awaken us to Your coming;
Through Jesus Christ, the King of Glory,
Who is alive and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,
now and forever, Amen.**

* Hymn: PH 489

“When Peace Like a River”

VILLE DU HAVRE

THE RESPONSE OF FAITH

* Offertory Prayer

Offering: Fairlawn General Fund

Offertory: “Blest Be the Tie that Binds”

Southbridge

* Doxology: PH 638 “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

OLD HUNDRETH

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.