

MORNING WORSHIP

August 20, 2017

9:30 A.M.

PREPARATION AND PRAISE

Prelude: "Amazing Grace"
"Fantasia on 'Old Hundredth'"

Hustad
Wilson

Welcome and Announcements

ENTER HIS GATES WITH THANKSGIVING

Silent Prayer and Preparation

* Call to Worship: Isaiah 43:1–2, 5–7

But now, this is what the LORD says—he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel:

"Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have summoned you by name; you are mine.

When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you.

When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned; the flames will not set you ablaze.

Do not be afraid, for I am with you;

I will bring your children from the east and gather you from the west.

I will say to the north, 'Give them up!' and to the south, 'Do not hold them back.'

Bring my sons from afar and my daughters from the ends of the earth—everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

* Hymn: PH 253

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

LOBE DEN HERREN

* 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 God, you who are our refuge and fortress, We come to you when our world is shaken, trusting that you are unshakable. We trust also that you are moved by our needs and will strengthen us. Still our hearts and our fears, that we may know that you are God. Be with us as we live for you. Amen.

* Response: PH 448, vv. 1, 4

"I Lift Up My Eyes to the Mountains"

LUZON

CONFESSION AND PRAYER

Call to Confession:

I John 2:15–17

Prayer of Confession:

Forgive us, Lord, for loving in the wrong ways:

For not loving you with our heart, soul, mind, and strength,

For loving your people half-heartedly,

For loving things that do not ultimately matter.

Strengthen our love for you and each other so that it is visible in all we do and say. In the name of Jesus, who loved us so much that he died for us, we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon:

Romans 5:6–8

God's Will for Our Lives

Romans 13:8–10

Response: PH 573

"O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee"

MARYTON

Mission Report: Inspire 2017

Congregational Prayer

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

* Hymn: PH 577

"Beams of Heaven"

SOME DAY

Scripture Reading:

Romans 8:28–38 (p. 1119)

Sermon: *If God Is For Us*

Prayer

* Hymn: PH 497

"How Vast the Benefits Divine"

BETHLEHEM

OUR RESPONSE OF GRATITUDE

* Offertory Prayer

Offering: Fairlawn General Fund

Offertory: "Joy in God"

Blake

* Profession of Faith: Heidelberg Catechism, Lord's Day 1, Q. & A. 1

Q. What is your only comfort in life and in death?

A. That I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way, that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life, and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

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 630

“Now Blessed Be the Lord Our God”

CORONATION

Now blessed be the Lord our God, the God of Israel,
for he alone does wondrous works: his glorious deeds excel;
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And blessed be his glorious name through all eternity;
the whole earth let his glory fill: Amen! so shall it be;
The whole earth let his glory fill: Amen! so shall it be.

* Postlude