

Fairlawn Christian Reformed Church

# MORNING WORSHIP

July 18, 2010 9:30 A.M.

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## PREPARATION AND PRAISE

*Upon entering the sanctuary please maintain silence and turn off all electronic devices for the sake of the congregation's preparation for worship.*

Prelude: "Double Concerto in D Minor" Bach

Welcome and Announcements

Silent Prayer and Preparation

Choral Call to Worship: *Grades 1-2*

**"Come, Let Us Gather"** Traditional

Come, Let us gather, now to sing  
Praises and thanks to God our King.  
God's love surpasses ev'rything.

**"I Come with Joy to Meet My Lord"** Wren/Buchanan

I come with joy to meet my Lord, forgiven, loved, and free,  
In awe and wonder to recall His life laid down for me.

I come with Christians far and near to find, as all are fed,  
The new community of love in Christ's communion bread.

\* Call to Worship: Psalm 111

I will extol the LORD with all my heart in the company of the upright and in the congregation. Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them. Glorious and majestic are his deeds, and his righteousness endures forever.

**He sent redemption to his people; he has ordained his covenant forever—  
holy and awesome is his name. The fear of the LORD is the beginning of  
wisdom. To him belongs eternal praise!**

\* Hymn: PH 171 "It Is Good to Sing Your Praises" ELLESDIE

\* 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:

**Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of our sinful hearts. Give us grace to love what you command and desire what you promise, that among the swift and varied changes of this world, our hearts may be surely fixed where true joys are to be found, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.**

Anthems: *Grade K*

**“Say to the Lord, I Love You”**

Rettino; Kerner

Touch your finger to your nose,  
Bend from the waist way down and touch your toes;  
And when you come up slowly, start to sing,  
And say to the Lord, “I love You. I love You. I love You.”  
Say to the Lord, “I love You.”

Reach your hands up to the sky,  
Look to the left, then right and blink your eyes;  
And when you turn around you’ll start to sing,  
And say to the Lord, “I love You. I love You. I love You.”  
Say to the Lord, “I love You.”

**“He’s Alive”**

Fettke

The Lord is risen from the dead.  
The Lord is risen, as he said.  
He’s alive! He’s alive! He’s alive!

**“Alive, Alive”**

Fettke

Alive, alive, alive forevermore!  
My Jesus is alive, alive forevermore!  
Alive, alive, alive forevermore!  
My Jesus is alive. Sing hallelujah!  
Sing hallelujah! My Jesus is alive forevermore!  
Sing hallelujah! Sing hallelujah! My Jesus is alive!

## CONFESSION AND PRAYER

Prayer of Confession:

Psalm 51, *adapted*

**Have mercy upon us, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy, blot out our transgressions. Wash us thoroughly from our iniquities, and cleanse us from our sins, for we know our transgressions, and our sin is ever before us. Against you, you alone have we sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are justified when you speak, and blameless when you judge. Indeed, we were born guilty, sinners when our mothers conceived us. Hide your face from our sins, and blot out all our iniquities. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Do not cast us away from your presence, and do not take your Holy Spirit from us. This we pray through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Silent Prayer and Confession

Minister: Amen.

Anthem: *Grades 1-2*

**“I’m the Good Shepherd”**

Barta

I’m the good shepherd, my sheep hear my voice.  
Gently I lead them and call them by name.  
I’m the good shepherd.

I’m the good shepherd, the gate for the sheep.  
Wolves come to steal them but I will protect.  
I’m the good shepherd.

I’m the good shepherd, I lay down my life.  
Freely I give it because of my love.  
I’m always with them; I’m the good shepherd.

Reading from the Psalms:

Psalm 42 (p. 556)

This is the Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

Congregational Prayer

Anthems: *Grades 3 – 4*

**“The Vine”**

Wells

I am the Vine, you are the branches;  
My life is yours and your burdens are Mine.  
Tenderly kept by the Father in heaven,  
If you abide then you’ll bear fruit in time.

Patient and loving, the heavenly Gard’ner  
Watches each sprout with the greatest of joy.  
You can do nothing apart from My power  
But die like a branch in the heat of the day.

I am the Vine, you are the branches;  
My life is yours and your burdens are Mine.  
Tenderly kept by the Father in heaven,  
If you abide then you’ll bear fruit in time.  
Abide in the Vine.

**“The Lord Is My Shepherd”**

Moore

Because the Lord is my Shepherd, I have all that I need.  
I rest in green meadows, beside quiet streams.  
He restores me and leads me over paths smooth or steep.  
The Lord is my Shepherd. The Lord is my Shepherd.

And in the valley of death I will not be afraid,  
For the Lord is beside me ev’ry step of the way.  
He is guarding and guiding me all through each day.  
The Lord is my Shepherd. The Lord is my Shepherd.

He prepares a table before me in the presence of my enemies.  
Then He welcomes me as His special guest, and the blessings overflow.

I’ll have His goodness and mercy all of my life,  
Unfailing love, ever pure, ever kind,  
And I’ll dwell with my Shepherd forever on high.  
The Lord is my Shepherd. The Lord is my Shepherd.

## THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

- \* Hymn: PH 220 "I Am the Holy Vine" LOVE UNKNOWN  
[Children age 3 - grade Pre-K may leave during the hymn.]

Scripture Reading: John 8:48-59 (p.1060)  
This is the Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

Sermon: *Jesus, the I AM*

- \* Hymn: "The King of Love My Shepherd Is" ST. COLUMBIA

## THE OFFERING OF TRIBUTE

- \* Offertory Prayer

Offering: Fairlawn General Fund

Anthem: *Grades 5 -- 8*

**"Sing Out With Joy!"**

Patterson

Sing out with joy, sing out with joy! Christ the Lord is risen!  
Sing out with joy, sing out with joy! Jesus is alive!  
Clap your hands, shout for joy! People lift your voice and sing;  
Now he lives forevermore. Christ has won the victory!

Sing out with joy, sing out with joy! Christ the Lord is risen!  
Sing out with joy, sing out with joy! Jesus is alive!

Sing alleluia, sing alleluia, sing alleluia; he is risen indeed.  
Come, sing alleluia. Come, sing alleluia. Sing alleluia; he is risen indeed.  
Sing out with joy, sing out with joy! Christ the Lord is risen!  
Sing out with joy, sing out with joy! Jesus is alive!

## BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

Anthem: *Grades 3-8*

**"Hallelujah Round of Praise"**

Mozart/arr. Lovelace

Hallelujah! Praise the Lord.  
Praise Him to the heavens, praise Him in the heights,  
Praise Him, all His angels, all his host.  
Praise Him, sun and moon, all you shining stars.  
Sing hallelujah! Praise the Lord.  
Hallelujah! Praise the Lord.  
Praise the Lord. Hallelujah!

Theme Song: *Grades 1-8*

**“Jesus the Lord Said, ‘I Am...’”**

Urdu Melody

Jesus the Lord said, “I am the shepherd;  
The one good shepherd of the sheep am I.”

Jesus the Lord said, “I am the bread;  
The bread of life for the world am I.”

Jesus the Lord said, “I am the light;  
The one true light of the world am I.”

Jesus the Lord said, “I am the vine;  
The vine that feeds every branch am I.”

Jesus the Lord said, “I am the life;  
The resurrection and the life am I.”

\* Blessing:

May the Lord bless you and keep you. May the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you. May the Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon you and give you peace. **Amen.**

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

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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.

Postlude: “Choral Song”

Wesley

*\*Indicates congregation stands*

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