

MORNING WORSHIP

January 28, 2018

10:15 A.M.

PREPARATION AND PRAISE

Prelude: "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands"

arr. Livingston

Welcome and Announcements

ENTER HIS GATES WITH THANKSGIVING

* Call to Worship:

Psalm 107:1-9

O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever.

Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, those he redeemed from trouble and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

Some wandered in desert wastes, finding no way to an inhabited town; hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted within them.

Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress;

he led them by a straight way, until they reached an inhabited town.

Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love, for his wonderful works to humankind. For he satisfies the thirsty, and the hungry he fills with good things.

* Hymn: "Let All Things Now Living"

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* 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 and ever present God, you uphold heaven and earth and all creatures. All things come from your generous hand: You send the nourishing rain, the refreshing wind, the warming sun, the blustering snow. You make buds appear, flowers bloom, fruit grow, and harvests mature. Through each day of our lives, whether in sickness or health, prosperity or poverty, joy or sorrow, you are in control. Help us to be patient when things go against us, thankful when things go well, and always confident that nothing could ever separate us from your love. For your unending faithfulness, we thank and praise you. To you be glory, now and forever. Amen.

* Response: "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands"

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CONFESSION AND PRAYER

Call to Confession:	based on John 1:9
Prayer of Confession	
God's Will for Our Lives:	Matthew 6:25–33
Choral Anthem: "When Peace Like a River"	arr. Grotenhuis
Assurance of Pardon	Romans 5:6–8
Congregational Prayer	

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

- * Hymn: "In Christ Alone" (CCLI 1099351) Insert
- Prayer for Illumination
[Children age 3 - grade Pre-K may leave for Children's Church after the prayer.]
- Scripture Reading: Genesis 15:1–21 (p. 13)
- Sermon: *Do Hard Things: Waiting on God*
- Prayer
- * Hymn: "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less" (CCLI 1099351) Bulletin p. 3

OUR RESPONSE OF GRATITUDE

- * Offertory Prayer
- Offering: Fairlawn General Fund
- Offertory: "Trumpet in Dialogue" Clerambault

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

- * Benediction: based on Philippians 4:7
The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of God's Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit remain with you always. **Amen.**
- * Response: "Amazing Grace—How Sweet the Sound" PH 462 vv. 1, 3, 4, 5
- * Postlude: "A Joyous Alleluia" Birchwood