

MORNING WORSHIP

April 15, 2018

10:15 A.M.

PREPARATION AND PRAISE

Prelude: "Holy God, We Praise Your Name"
"O Worship the King"

Hebble
Harmon

Welcome and Announcements

ENTER HIS GATES WITH THANKSGIVING

Call to Worship:

John 20: 24–29

* Hymn: "See, the Conqueror Mounts in Triumph"

PH 414

* God's Greeting:

Our help is in the name of the Lord,

who has created us and saved us in Jesus Christ our hope.

The Lord is risen!

He is risen indeed!

Grace and peace from him who was and is and is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before the throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

Amen.

* Prayer of the Day:

Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, for all the benefits which you have won for us, for all the pains and insults which you have borne for us. O most merciful Redeemer, Friend and Brother, may we know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day. Amen.

* Response: "O God, You Are My God"

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CONFESSION AND PRAYER

Call to Confession:

I Peter 1:14–16

Prayer of Confession

"All our righteousness is like filthy rags;" and our sins would sweep us away in judgment. But you died, the righteous one for unrighteous sinners. Let your holiness purify us. Let your Spirit live in us. Shape our inconsistent obedience in the cruciform pattern of our savior. In Jesus' name, amen.

Assurance of Pardon:

Galatians 2:20–21

God's Will for Our Lives:

Hebrews 11:11–16

Response: "May the Mind of Christ, My Savior"

PH 291

Congregational Prayer

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

* Hymn: "Alleluia! Alleluia!" PH 387

Prayer for Illumination

[Children age 3 - grade Pre-K may leave for Children's Church after the prayer.]

Scripture Reading: I Thessalonians 4:13–18 (p. 1170)

Sermon: *Comfort Each Other*

Prayer

* Hymn: "Jerusalem the Golden" PH 618

OUR RESPONSE OF GRATITUDE

* Offertory Prayer

Offering: Fairlawn General Fund

Offertory: "This Is My Father's World" Lau

* Confession of Faith: "In Christ Alone" Insert

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: "Worthy Is Christ" PH 629

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.

* Postlude: "Dialogue on the grands jeux" Couperin