

Fairlawn Christian Reformed Church

**EPIPHANY SUNDAY**

January 6, 2019 10:15 A.M.

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**PREPARATION AND PRAISE**

Prelude: "Meditation on "Lead, Kindly Light"

Bradshaw

Welcome and Announcements

**ENTER HIS GATES WITH THANKSGIVING**

- \* Call to Worship: based on Psalm 19:1–4
- \* Hymn: "As with Gladness Men of Old" PH 358
- \* 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:
  - God of eternity, you not only created each of us, but you sustain and form each of us with your Holy Spirit. Guide and guard us as we begin a new year. Give us the courage of the Magi, who simply went and followed a star. We ask for their wisdom in choosing to pursue the deepest truth and be let by you. In this new year, be our help and company. Direct us as we journey onward, and may our lives reflect your glory, through Jesus Christ. Amen.**
- \* Response: "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" PH 170, vv. 1, 2, 6

**CONFESSION AND PRAYER**

Call to Confession:

Isaiah 55:6–7

Prayer of Confession

God's Will for Our Lives: Responsive Reading of the Law

PH 1016

Assurance of Pardon:

based on Psalm 103:6–18

Response: "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

PH 556

Congregational Prayer

## THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

\* Hymn: "Speak, O Lord" Bulletin pp. 5–6

Prayer for Illumination

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

Scripture Reading:

Mark 4:1–20 (p. 993)

Sermon: *Scattered Seed*

Prayer

\* Hymn: "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"

Bulletin pp. 7–8

## OUR RESPONSE OF GRATITUDE

\* Offertory Prayer

Offering: Fairlawn General Fund

Offertory

\* Doxology: "O LORD, You Are My Light"

PH 164, vv. 1, 4