



**9:30 am Worship Service**

**August 13, 2023**

**Reformed Presbyterian Church** exists to be a stream of God's refreshing grace for people from all walks of life.

**Today's speaker:** Anthony Martin, a Ruling Elder, completed an internship at RPC in 2022.

Worship Leader: Josiah Weaver, Ruling Elder

Guest Pianist: Janelle Labs

**PRELUDE**

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty/* arr. M. Bober  
*Higher Ground/* arr. J. J. Potter

**WORDS OF GREETING**

**WE APPROACH GOD**

IN WORD

Psalm 61: 4-6 (NIV)

Leader: Sing to God, sing in praise of his name.

People: **Extol him who rides on the clouds.**

Leader: Rejoice before him—his name is the Lord.

People: **A father to the fatherless, a defender of widows, is  
God in his holy dwelling**

Leader: God sets the lonely in families, he leads out the prisoners with singing;

People: **But the rebellious live in a sun-scorched land.**

IN PRAYER

**\*WE PRAISE OUR GOD**

HYMN OF PRAISE 179

*Hallelujah! Thine the Glory*

**\*WE CONFESS OUR SIN**

Leader: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Unison: Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Leader: My dear children, I write this to you so that you will not sin. But if anybody does sin, we have an advocate with the Father—Jesus Christ, the Righteous One. He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins.

**\*WE EXALT OUR LORD**

WORSHIP SONGS

*Hosanna (Praise is Rising)  
The Battle Belongs to the Lord  
In Christ Alone*

**WE GREET ONE ANOTHER**

CONGREGATIONAL GREETING  
WELCOME TO VISITORS

**WE SEEK GOD'S FACE**

Prayers of God's People

**WE OFFER OUR GIFTS**

OFFERING/ OFFERTORY

**WE HEAR GOD'S WORD**

SCRIPTURE READING  
SERMON

Jude 1-10 (ESV)  
*Contend for the Faith*  
Anthony Martin

**\*WE GO FORTH TO SERVE**

HYMN OF RESPONSE **570**

**\*WORDS OF PEACE**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

*Faith of Our Fathers!*

## Song Lyrics

### **179 *Hallelujah! Thine the Glory***

We praise thee, O God, for the days of our youth,  
for the bright lamp that shineth-the Word of thy truth.  
Hallelujah! Thine the glory, hallelujah! We sing;  
Hallelujah! Thine the glory, our praise now we bring.

We praise thee, O God, for the Son of thy love,  
for Jesus who died, and is now gone above.  
Hallelujah! Thine the glory, hallelujah! We sing;  
Hallelujah! Thine the glory, our praise now we bring.

We praise thee, O God, for thy Spirit of light  
who has shown us our Savior and scattered our night.  
Hallelujah! Thine the glory, hallelujah! We sing;  
Hallelujah! Thine the glory, our praise now we bring.

All glory and praise to the Lamb that was slain,  
who has borne all our sins and has cleansed ev'ry stain!  
Hallelujah! Thine the glory, hallelujah! We sing;  
Hallelujah! Thine the glory, our praise now we bring.

***Hosanna (Praise Is Rising)***

Praise is rising, eyes are turning to You, we turn to You  
Hope is stirring, hearts are yearning for You, we long for You  
'Cause when we see You we find strength to face the day  
In Your presence all our fears are washed away,  
washed away

Hosanna, Hosanna You are the God who saves us  
Worthy of all our praises Hosanna, Hosanna  
Come have Your way among us  
We welcome You here, Lord Jesus

Hear the sound of hearts returning to You, we turn to You  
In Your Kingdom broken lives are made new, You make us new  
'Cause when we see You we find strength to face the day  
In Your presence all our fears are washed away, washed away

Hosanna, Hosanna You are the God who saves us  
Worthy of all our praises Hosanna, Hosanna  
Come have Your way among us.  
We welcome You here, Lord Jesus

'Cause when we see You, we find strength to face the day  
In Your Presence all our fears are washed away

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Worthy of all our praises Hosanna, Hosanna  
Come have Your way among us.  
We welcome You here, Lord Jesus

Hosanna, Hosanna Hosanna, Hosanna

***The Battle Belongs to the Lord***

In heavenly armor we'll enter the land  
The battle belongs to the Lord  
No weapon that's fashioned against us will stand  
The battle belongs to the Lord

And we sing glory honor  
Power and strength to the Lord  
We sing glory honor  
Power and strength to the Lord

When the power of darkness comes in like a flood  
The battle belongs to the Lord  
He's raised up a standard the pow'r of His blood  
The battle belongs to the Lord

And we sing glory honor  
Power and strength to the Lord  
We sing glory honor  
Power and strength to the Lord

When your enemy presses in hard do not fear  
The battle belongs to the Lord  
Take courage my friend your redemption is near  
The battle belongs to the Lord

And we sing glory honor  
Power and strength to the Lord  
We sing glory honor  
Power and strength to the Lord

### *In Christ Alone*

In Christ alone my hope is found  
He is my light, my strength, my song  
This Cornerstone, this solid ground  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm  
What heights of love, what depths of peace  
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease  
My Comforter, my all in all  
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone, who took on flesh  
Fullness of God in helpless babe  
This gift of love and righteousness  
Scorned by the ones He came to save  
'Til on that cross as Jesus died  
The wrath of God was satisfied  
For ev'ry sin on Him was laid  
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay  
Light of the world by darkness slain  
Then bursting forth in glorious Day  
Up from the grave He rose again  
And as He stands in victory  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me  
For I am His and He is mine  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death  
This is the pow'r of Christ in me  
From life's first cry to final breath  
Jesus commands my destiny  
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man  
Can ever pluck me from His hand  
'Til He returns or calls me home  
Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand

**570** *Faith of Our Fathers!*

Faith of our Fathers! living still  
In spite of dungeon, fire and sword,  
O how our hearts beat high with joy  
Whene'er we hear God's glorious Word!  
Faith of our fathers! holy faith!  
We will be true to thee till death!

Our fathers, chained in prisons dark,  
Were still in heart and conscience free;  
And blest would be their children's fate,  
If they, like them should die for thee:  
Faith of our fathers! holy faith!  
We will be true to thee till death!

Faith of our fathers! God's great pow'r  
Shall draw all nations unto thee;  
And through the truth that comes from God  
His people shall indeed be free.  
Faith of our fathers! holy faith!  
We will be true to thee till death!

Faith of our fathers, we will love  
Both friend and foe in all our strife,  
And preach thee, too, as love knows how  
By witness true and virtuous life.  
Faith of our fathers! holy faith!  
We will be true to thee till death!



## SCRIPTURE READING

### Jude 1-10 (ESV)

<sup>1</sup> Jude, a servant of Jesus Christ and brother of James,

To those who are called, beloved in God the Father and kept for Jesus Christ:

<sup>2</sup> May mercy, peace, and love be multiplied to you.

<sup>3</sup> Beloved, although I was very eager to write to you about our common salvation, I found it necessary to write appealing to you to contend for the faith that was once for all delivered to the saints.<sup>4</sup> For certain people have crept in unnoticed who long ago were designated for this condemnation, ungodly people, who pervert the grace of our God into sensuality and deny our only Master and Lord, Jesus Christ.

<sup>5</sup> Now I want to remind you, although you once fully knew it, that Jesus, who saved a people out of the land of Egypt, afterward destroyed those who did not believe.<sup>6</sup> And the angels who did not stay within their own position of authority, but left their proper dwelling, he has kept in eternal chains under gloomy darkness until the judgment of the great day—<sup>7</sup> just as Sodom and Gomorrah and the surrounding cities, which likewise indulged in sexual immorality and pursued unnatural desire, serve as an example by undergoing a punishment of eternal fire.

<sup>8</sup> Yet in like manner these people also, relying on their dreams, defile the flesh, reject authority, and blaspheme the glorious ones.<sup>9</sup> But when the archangel Michael, contending with the devil, was disputing about the body of Moses, he did not presume to pronounce a blasphemous judgment, but said, “The Lord rebuke you.”<sup>10</sup> But these people blaspheme all that they do not understand, and they are destroyed by all that they, like unreasoning animals, understand instinctively.