

# **REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH** Sunday, July 14, 2024 9:30 am

**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 **Organist:** Courtney Brooke

#### PRELUDE

*Voluntary*/ G. F. Handel *This is My Father's World* (Hymn 111)/ arr. R. Parks

### WORDS OF GREETING

### WE APPROACH GOD

| In Word               | Psalm 24:1-5 (ESV)   |
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| Leader:               | The earth is the LORD's and the fullness thereof, the world and those who dwell therein, |
| <u>People</u> :       | For he has founded it upon the seas.<br>And established it upon the rivers.              |
| Leader:               | Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD?<br>And who shall stand in his holy place?         |
| <b><u>People</u>:</b> | He who has clean hands and a pure heart,   |

Leader: Who does not lift up his soul to what is false and does not swear deceitfully.

<u>People</u>: He will receive blessing from the LORD and righteousness from the God of his salvation.

IN PRAYER

## **\*WE PRAISE OUR GOD**

HYMN OF PRAISE 38

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

#### **\*WE CONFESS OUR SIN**

- <u>People</u>: Most Merciful God, whose Son Jesus Christ was tempted in every way, yet without sin, we confess before You our own sinfulness; we have hungered after that which does not satisfy; we have compromised with evil; we have doubted Your power to protect us. Forgive us for our lack of faith; have mercy on our weakness. Restore us in such trust and love that we may walk in Your ways and delight in doing Your will. We ask in Jesus' name. Amen.
- Leader: Hear these words of assurance: "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

## **\*WE EXALT OUR LORD**

WORSHIP SONGS

#### 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

*Way Maker* Josh & Katelyn Falk, vocals

#### WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 5:1-12 (ESV)

Leader: Seeing the crowds, he went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him. And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying: "Blessed are the poor in spirit,

| <b>People:</b> | for theirs | s is the | kingdom | of heaven. |
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- Leader: Blessed are those who mourn,
- **<u>People</u>**: for they shall be comforted.

Leader: Blessed are the meek,

**<u>People</u>**: for they shall inherit the earth.

Leader: Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,

**<u>People</u>**: for they shall be satisfied.

Leader: Blessed are the merciful,

<u>People</u>: for they shall receive mercy.

Leader: Blessed are the pure in heart,

- **<u>People:</u>** for they shall see God.
- Leader: Blessed are the peacemakers,
- **<u>People</u>**: for they shall be called sons of God.
- Leader: Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake,
- **<u>People:</u>** for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- Leader: Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account.
- <u>People</u>: Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

Sermon

*A Happy Heart Condition Beatitude Summer series* Anthony Martin, Ruling Elder

#### **\*WE GO FORTH TO SERVE**

HYMN OF RESPONSE **198** Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates! \*Words of Peace Announcements Postlude

#### **Hymn Lyrics**

### 38 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Immortal, invisible, God only wise, In light inaccessible hid from our eyes, Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, Almighty, victorious, Thy great Name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light, Nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might; Thy justice, like mountains, high soaring above Thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light, Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight; All praise we would render; O help us to see 'tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee!

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise, Words by Walter Chalmers Smith, Music Traditional Welsh hymn melody, ©Public Domain CCLI License # 79597

#### **198** Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates

Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates; Behold, the King of glory waits; The King of kings is drawing near; The Savior of the world is here!

A Helper just He comes to thee, His chariot is humility, His kingly crown is holiness, His scepter, pity in distress.

O blest the land, the city blest, Where Christ the Ruler is confessed! O happy hearts and happy homes To whom this King in triumph comes!

Fling wide the portals of your heart; Make it a temple, set apart From earthly use for heav'n's employ, Adorned with prayer and love and joy.

Redeemer, come! I open wide my heart to thee; here, Lord abide! Let me thy inner presence feel; Thy grace and love in me reveal.

So come, my Sovereign, enter in! Let new and nobler life begin! Thy Holy Spirit, guide us on, until the glorious crown be won.

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