



**Reformed Presbyterian Church**

**9:30 am Worship Service**

**July 23, 2023**

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

**Today's speaker:** Dr. Tim Witmer, Interim Pastor

Worship Leader: Phil Weaver, Ruling Elder

**PRELUDE** *Only a Holy God*/ Farren / Thompson / Smith / Robinson  
◇ A time of quiet preparation

**WORDS OF GREETING**

**WE APPROACH GOD**

IN WORD

Psalm 33:1-5 (ESV)

Leader: Shout for joy in the Lord, O you righteous!

People: **Praise befits the upright.**

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord with the lyre;

People: **Make melody to him with the harp of ten strings!**

Leader: Sing to him a new song;

People: **Play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts.**

Leader: For the word of the Lord is upright

People: **And all his work is done in faithfulness.**

Leader: He loves righteousness and justice;

People: **The earth is full of the steadfast love of the Lord.**

IN PRAYER

**\*WE PRAISE OUR GOD**

HYMN OF PRAISE **604**

*Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart*

**\*WE CONFESS OUR SIN**

Leader: The Lord promises forgiveness to all who come to him in humility and repentance. Let us go together to the throne of grace to seek his mercy.

People: **Holy Father, forgive us. Though you should guide us, we inform ourselves. Though you should rule us, we control ourselves. Though you should fulfill us, we console ourselves. For we think your truth too high, your will too hard, your power too remote, your love too free. But they are not! And without them, we are of all people most miserable. Heal our confused mind with your word, heal our divided will with your law, heal our troubled conscience with your love, heal our anxious hearts with your presence, all for the sake of your Son, who loved us and gave himself for us. Amen.**

**\*WE EXALT OUR LORD**

WORSHIP SONGS

*Lift High the Name of Jesus*

*Be Still My Soul (In You I Rest)*

Leader: O Lord, God of Israel, there is no God like You, in heaven above or on earth beneath, keeping covenant and showing steadfast love to Your servants who walk before You with all their heart.

I Kings 8:23 ESV

*Only a Holy God*

**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 *The Holy City*/ E. Weatherly/ S. Adams  
Ed Voigt, vocals; Jim Harris, piano

**WE HEAR GOD'S WORD**

SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 15:7 (ESV)

SERMON

*Accept One Another*

Dr. Tim Witmer

**\*WE GO FORTH TO SERVE**

HYMN OF RESPONSE **388**

*Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise*

\*WORDS OF PEACE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

## Song Lyrics

### **604 *Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart***

Rejoice, ye pure in heart,  
rejoice, give thanks, and sing;  
your festal banner wave on high,  
the cross of Christ your King.  
Rejoice, rejoice, rejoice, give thanks, and sing!

Bright youth and snow-crowned age,  
strong men and maiden meek,  
raise high your free, exulting song,  
God's wondrous praises speak.  
Rejoice, rejoice, rejoice, give thanks, and sing!

With all the angel choirs,  
with all the saints on earth,  
pour out the strains of joy and bliss,  
true rapture, noblest mirth!  
Rejoice, rejoice, rejoice, give thanks, and sing!

Yes, on through life's long path, still chanting as ye go,  
from youth to age,  
by night and day, in gladness and in woe,  
Rejoice, rejoice, rejoice, give thanks, and sing!

At last the march shall end;  
the wearied ones shall rest,  
the pilgrims find their Father's house,  
Jerusalem the blest.  
Rejoice, rejoice, rejoice, give thanks, and sing!

Then on, ye pure in heart, rejoice,  
give thanks and sing;  
your glorious banner wave on high,  
the cross of Christ your King.  
Rejoice, rejoice, rejoice, give thanks, and sing!

***Lift High the Name of Jesus***

Lift high the name of Jesus Of Jesus our King  
Make known the power of His grace The beauty of His peace  
Remember how His mercy reached And we cried out to Him  
He lifted us to solid ground To freedom from our sin

Oh sing my soul And tell all He's done  
'Til the earth and heavens are filled with His glory

Lift high the name of Jesus Of Jesus our Lord  
His pow'r in us is greater than Is greater than this world  
To share the reason for our hope To serve with love and grace  
That all who see Him shine through us Might bring the Father  
praise

Oh sing my soul And tell all He's done  
'Til the earth and heavens are filled with His glory

Lift high the name of Jesus Of Jesus our Light  
No other name on earth can save Can raise a soul to life  
He opens up our eyes to see The harvest He has grown  
We labor in His fields of grace As He leads sinners home

Oh sing my soul And tell all He's done  
'Til the earth and heavens are filled with His glory

***Be Still My Soul (In You I Rest)***

Be still, my soul, The Lord is on thy side  
Bear patiently, the cross of grief or pain  
Leave to thy God, to order and provide  
In every change, He faithful will remain  
Be still, my soul, thy best thy heavenly friend  
Through thorny ways, leads to a joyful end

Be still, my soul, thy God doth undertake  
To guide the future as He has the past  
Thy hope, thy confidence, let nothing shake  
All now mysterious shall be bright at last  
Be still, my soul, the waves and wind still know  
His voice who ruled them while He dwelt below

In You I rest, in You I found my hope  
In You I trust, You never let me go  
I place my life within Your hands alone  
Be still, my soul

Be still, my soul, the hour is hastening on  
When we shall be forever with the Lord  
When disappointment, grief and fear are gone  
Sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored  
Be still, my soul, when change and tears are past  
All safe and blessed, we shall meet at last

In You I rest, in You I found my hope  
In You I trust, You never let me go  
I place my life within Your hands alone  
Be still, my soul  
Be still, my soul  
Be still, my soul

***Only a Holy God***

Who else commands all the hosts of heaven?  
Who else could make every king bow down?  
Who else can whisper and darkness trembles?  
Only a Holy God

What other beauty demands such praises?  
What other splendor outshines the sun?  
What other majesty rules with justice?  
Only a Holy God

Come and behold Him, The One and the Only  
Cry out, sing holy, Forever a Holy God  
Come and worship the Holy God

What other glory consumes like fire?  
What other power can raise the dead?  
What other name remains undefeated?  
Only a Holy God

Who else could rescue me from my failing?  
Who else would offer His only Son?  
Who else invites me to call Him Father?  
Only a Holy God, Only my Holy God

Come and behold Him  
The One and the Only  
Cry out, sing holy  
Forever a Holy God  
Come and worship the Holy God

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**388 *Savior, Again to Thy Name We Raise***

Savior, again to Thy dear name we raise  
With one accord our parting hymn of praise;  
We stand to bless Thee ere our worship cease;  
Then, lowly kneeling, wait Thy word of peace.

Grant us Thy peace upon our homeward way;  
With Thee began, with Thee shall end the day.  
Guard thou the lips from sin, the hearts from shame,  
That in this house have called upon Thy name.

Grant us Thy peace, Lord, through the coming night;  
Turn Thou for us its darkness into light;  
From harm and danger keep Thy children free,  
For dark and light are both alike to Thee.

Grant us Thy peace throughout our earthly life;  
our balm in sorrow, and our stay in strife;  
then when Thy voice shall bid our conflict cease,  
call us, O Lord, to thine eternal peace.