



Reformed Presbyterian Church

9:30 am Worship Service

June 11, 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

Worship Leader: Josiah Weaver, Ruling Elder

PRELUDES *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*/ arr. C. Tornquist
 El-Shaddai/ arr. H. Hill
 A time of quiet preparation Kathleen Golias, piano

WORDS OF GREETING

WE APPROACH GOD

IN WORD

Psalm 89:5-8 (ESV)

Leader: Let the heavens praise your wonders, O Lord,

People: **Your faithfulness in the assembly of the holy ones!**

Leader: For who in the skies can be compared to the Lord?

People: **Who among the heavenly beings is like the Lord,**

Leader: A God greatly to be feared in the council of the holy ones

People: **And awesome above all who are around him?**

Leader: O Lord God of hosts,

People: **Who is mighty as you are, O Lord, with your faithfulness all around you?**

IN PRAYER

***WE PRAISE OUR GOD**

HYMN OF PRAISE 170

Fairest Lord Jesus

***WE CONFESS OUR SIN**

Leader: The Lord is near to the brokenhearted, and saves those who are crushed in spirit. Let us admit our brokenness to God Psalm 34:18 (ESV)

People: **O God, you are holy beyond all that we can think or imagine. You are the source of righteousness, the overflowing fountain of goodness. You made us to be in your image in knowledge, righteousness, and holiness. And yet, so often we fail to be wise, righteous, and holy. Please forgive and restore us, and through your Spirit, conform us to the image of our Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.**

***WE EXALT OUR LORD**

WORSHIP SONGS

*Great Things
Broken Vessels (Amazing Grace)
Be Unto Your Name*

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

*Open the Eyes of My Heart/ arr. C. Tornquist
Kathleen Golias, piano*

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Galatians 6:1-5 (ESV)

Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted.² Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.³ For if anyone thinks he is something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself.⁴ But let each one test his own work, and then his reason to boast will be in himself alone and not in his neighbor.⁵ For each will have to bear his own load.

Sermon

Bear One Another's Burdens
Growing Together series
Dr. Tim Witmer

***WE GO FORTH TO SERVE**

HYMN OF RESPONSE **644** *May the Mind of Christ My Savior*

*WORDS OF PEACE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

Our church is currently searching for a new Pastor. In the meantime, we are pleased to welcome Dr. Tim Witmer as our interim pastor and Moderator of Session. He is serving us part-time. Pastor Tim's email is: tim@ephratarpc.com, and his phone number is 610-733-1659.

Today's speaker: Rev. Dr. Tim Witmer, Interim Pastor. Pastor Tim grew up in New Holland and served in pastoral ministry in the PCA for 42 years, most recently at St. Stephen Reformed in New Holland. He also served on the faculty at Westminster Seminary for 20 years. He is the author of three books including *The Shepherd Leader*. Tim and Barb live in Terre Hill and have three grown children and seven grandchildren.

Song Lyrics

170 *Fairest Lord Jesus*

Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature,
Son of God and Son of Man!
Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor,
Thou, my soul's glory, joy and crown.

Fair are the meadows, fair are the woodlands,
Robed in the blooming garb of spring;
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer,
Who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Fair is the sunshine, fair is the moonlight,
And all the twinkling starry host;
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer
Than all the angels heav'n can boast.

Beautiful Savior! Lord of the nations!
Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor, praise, adoration,
Now and forevermore be Thine.

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Great Things

Come let us worship our King Come let us bow at His feet
He has done great things
See what our Savior has done See how His love overcomes
He has done great things He has done great things

Oh, hero of Heaven, You conquered the grave
You free every captive and break every chain
Oh God, You have done great things
We dance in Your freedom, awake and alive
Oh Jesus, our Savior, Your name lifted high
Oh God, You have done great things

You've been faithful through every storm
You'll be faithful forevermore
You have done great things And I know You will do it again
For Your promise is "Yes and amen"
You will do great things God, You do great things

Oh, hero of Heaven, You conquered the grave
You free every captive and break every chain
Oh God, You have done great things
We dance in Your freedom, awake and alive
Oh Jesus, our Savior, Your name lifted high
Oh God, You have done great things

Hallelujah God, above it all Hallelujah God, unshakable

Hallelujah, You have done great things
Hallelujah God, above it all

Hallelujah God, unshakable
Hallelujah, You have done great things
You've done great things

Oh, hero of Heaven, You conquered the grave
You free every captive and break every chain
Oh God, You have done great things
We dance in Your freedom, awake and alive
Oh Jesus, our Savior, Your name lifted high
Oh God, You have done great things
You have done great things
Oh God, You do great things

Broken Vessels (Amazing Grace)

All these pieces, broken and scattered
In mercy gathered, mended and whole
Empty-handed, but not forsaken
I've been set free, I've been set free

Amazing grace
How sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me,
I once was lost
But now I am found
Was blind, but now I see

Oh, I can see You now
Oh, I can see the love in Your eyes
Laying yourself down
Raising up the broken to life

(instrumental)

You take our failure
You take our weakness
You set Your treasure in jars of clay
So take this heart, Lord
I'll be Your vessel
The world to see
Your life in me, oh

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Be Unto Your Name

We are a moment, You are forever
Lord of the Ages, God before time
We are a vapor, You are eternal
Love everlasting, reigning on high

Holy, holy, Lord God Almighty
Worthy is the Lamb Who was slain
Highest praises, honor and glory
Be unto Your name, be unto Your name

We are the broken, You are the healer
Jesus, Redeemer, Mighty to save
You are the love song we'll sing forever
Bowing before You, blessing Your name

Holy, holy, Lord God Almighty
Worthy is the Lamb Who was slain
Highest praises, honor and glory
Be unto Your name, be unto Your name
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644 *May the Mind of Christ My Savior*

May the mind of Christ, my Savior,
Live in me from day to day,
By His love and pow'r controlling All I do and say.

May the Word of God dwell richly
In my heart from hour to hour,
So that all may see I triumph Only through His pow'r.

May the peace of God my Father
Rule my life in everything,
That I may be calm to comfort Sick and sorrowing.

May the love of Jesus fill me
As the waters fill the sea;
Him exalting, self abasing, This is victory.

May His beauty rest upon me,
As I seek the lost to win,
And may they forget the channel, Seeing only Him.

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