



Reformed Presbyterian Church

9:30 am Worship Service

June 25, 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: Rusty Rutter, Ruling Elder

PRELUDES *Face to Face With Christ My Savior/* arr. C. Marshall

◇ A time of quiet preparation

Aviendha Millet, harp

WORDS OF GREETING

WE APPROACH GOD

IN WORD

Isaiah 12:1-2 (ESV)

Leader: You will say in that day: "I will give thanks to you, O Lord,

People: **For though you were angry with me,**

Leader: Your anger turned away,

People: **That you might comfort me.**

Leader: Behold, God is my salvation;

People: **I will trust, and will not be afraid;**

Leader: For the Lord God is my strength and my song,

People: **And he has become my salvation.**

IN PRAYER

***WE PRAISE OUR GOD**
HYMN OF PRAISE 101

Come, Thou Almighty King

***WE CONFESS OUR SIN**

Leader: Christ himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; by his wounds we have been healed. Sadly, sin still lives in our lives. Let us acknowledge our disobedience, and return to the Lord with penitence and faith.

People: **Have mercy on us, most merciful Father. For the sake of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, forgive us all that is past, and grant that from this time forward we may serve and please you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

***WE EXALT OUR LORD**
WORSHIP SONGS

Battle Belongs
Echo Holy
Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

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 *It Is Well With My Soul/* arr. J. Mell

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING Ephesians 4: 25-32 (ESV)

²⁵ Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another. ²⁶ Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, ²⁷ and give no opportunity to the devil. ²⁸ Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with

anyone in need. ²⁹ Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear. ³⁰ And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. ³¹ Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. ³² Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

SERMON

Forgive One Another
Growing Together series
Dr. Tim Witmer

***WE GO FORTH TO SERVE**

HYMN OF RESPONSE **561** *Lord, Speak to Me that I Might Speak*

*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

101 Come, Thou Almighty King

Come, Thou Almighty King,
Help us Thy name to sing,
Help us to praise.
Father, all glorious, O'er all victorious,
Come, and reign over us, Ancient of Days.

Come, Thou Incarnate Word,
Gird on Thy mighty sword,
Our prayer attend:
Come, and Thy people bless,
And give Thy Word success;
Spirit of holiness, on us descend.

Come, holy Comforter,
Thy sacred witness bear In this glad hour:
Thou who Almighty art,
Now rule in every heart,
And ne'er from us depart,
Spirit of pow'r.

To the great One in Three,
Eternal praises be Hence evermore.
His sovereign majesty
May we in glory see,
And to eternity love and adore.

Battle Belongs

When all I see is the battle, You see my victory
When all I see is a mountain, You see a mountain moved
And as I walk through the shadow Your love surrounds me
There's nothing to fear now For I am safe with You

Chorus

So when I fight I'll fight on my knees
With my hands lifted high
O God the battle belongs to You
And every fear I lay at Your feet
I'll sing through the night
O God the battle belongs to You

And if You are for me, Who can be against me
For Jesus there's nothing Impossible for You
When all I see are the ashes, You see the beauty
When all I see is a cross, God You see the empty tomb

An Almighty Fortress You go before us
Nothing can stand against
The power of our God
You shine in the shadows
You win every battle
Nothing can stand against
The power of our God

O God the battle belongs to You

Echo Holy

Gathered at the highest throne, Welcomed by a melody
An anthem I have always known, A song that's always been in me
All glory and honor, dominion and power to You

A million angels fall Face down on the floor
All to echo "Holy is the Lord."
My heart can't help but sing with all of heaven roar
forever echo "Holy is the Lord." forever echo "Holy is the Lord."

Memorized by every heart, Written in eternity
Every lifted voice a part joining in the symphony
All glory and honor, dominion and power to You
All wisdom and wonder belong to no other but You

A million angels fall Face down on the floor
All to echo "Holy is the Lord."
My heart can't help but sing with all of heaven roar
forever echo "Holy is the Lord." forever echo "Holy is the Lord."
forever echo "Holy is the Lord."

Standing at the end of time, There before the throne of grace
Majesty before my eyes, I'll let it take my breath away

A million angels fall Face down on the floor
All to echo "Holy is the Lord."
My heart can't help but sing
with all of heaven roar
forever echo "Holy is the Lord."
forever echo "Holy is the Lord."

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

Turn your eyes upon Jesus
Look full in His wonderful face
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim
In the light of His glory and grace

Turn your eyes to the hillside
Where justice and mercy embrace
There the Son of God gave His life for us
And our measureless debt was erased

Jesus to You we lift our eyes, Jesus our glory and our prize
We adore You behold You our Savior ever true
Oh Jesus we turn our eyes to You

Turn your eyes to the morning
And see Christ the lion awake
What a glorious dawn fear of death is gone
For we carry His life in our veins

Jesus to You we lift our eyes, Jesus our glory and our prize
We adore You behold You our Savior ever true
Oh Jesus we turn our eyes to You

Turn your eyes to the heavens
Our King will return for His own
Every knee will bow every tongue will shout
All glory to Jesus alone

Jesus to You we lift our eyes, Jesus our glory and our prize
We adore You behold You our Savior ever true
Oh Jesus we turn our eyes to You

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561 Lord, Speak to Me that I May Speak

Lord, speak to me that I may speak
in living echoes of your tone.
As you have sought, so let me seek
your erring children, lost and lone.

Oh, teach me, Lord, that I may teach
the precious things you do impart.
And wing my words that they may reach
the hidden depths of many a heart.

Oh, fill me with your fullness, Lord,
until my very hearts o'erflow
in kindling thought and glowing word
your love to tell, your praise to show.

Oh, use me, Lord, use even me,
just as you will, and when, and where
until your blessed face I see,
your rest, your joy, your glory share.

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