



## Reformed Presbyterian Church

9:30 am Worship Service

October 22, 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: Anthony Martin, Ruling Elder

Organist: Courtney Abbott-Fogie

Choir director: Rachel Klein

### PRELUDE

*Jesus Loves Me/* arr. C.E. Walz

*Take My Life and Let it Be Consecrated/* arr. M. Hayes

A time of quiet preparation

Kathleen Golias, piano

### WORDS OF GREETING

### WE APPROACH GOD

IN WORD

Psalm 93 (ESV)

Leader: The Lord reigns, he is robed in majesty; The Lord is robed in majesty and armed with strength;

People: **Indeed, the world is established, firm and secure.**

Leader: Your throne was established long ago;

People: **You are from all eternity.**

Leader: The seas have lifted up, Lord, the seas have lifted up their voice;

People: **The seas have lifted up their pounding waves.**

Leader: Mightier than the thunder of the great waters, mightier than the breakers of the sea-

People: **The Lord on high is mighty.**

Leader: Your statutes, Lord, stand firm;

People: **Holiness adorns your house for endless days.**

IN PRAYER

**\*WE PRAISE OUR GOD**

HYMN OF PRAISE 345 *Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken*

**\*WE CONFESS OUR SIN**

Leader: The Scriptures teach that God causes all things to work together for good for those who love Him but we often doubt.

People: **Dear Father in heaven, we thank you that you are Lord and that you are working out your sovereign purpose in our lives. Please forgive us for doubting you. Strengthen our faith and give us the wisdom to remember your faithfulness in difficult times.**

Leader: Dear children of your heavenly Father, remember the words of the Lord through Jeremiah, "For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope." Jeremiah 29:11 (ESV)

**\*WE EXALT OUR LORD**

WORSHIP SONGS

*Christ Our Glory  
Because We Believe  
Only a Holy God*

**WE GREET ONE ANOTHER**

DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN TO CHILDREN'S WORSHIP

(4 years old to 1<sup>st</sup> grade)

CONGREGATIONAL GREETING

WELCOME TO VISITORS

**WE SEEK GOD'S FACE**

Prayers of God's People

**WE OFFER OUR GIFTS**

OFFERING/ OFFERTORY

HYMNAL CHOIR     *It is Well with My Soul* (Hymn 691)

**WE HEAR GOD'S WORD**

SCRIPTURE READING

Philippians 4:6-8 (NIV)

SERMON

***Think About What's Noble***  
What to Think About Instead of Worrying  
Dr. Tim Witmer

**\*WE GO FORTH TO SERVE**

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

\*WORDS OF PEACE

DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN TO MUSIC ROOM AND SUNDAY SCHOOL  
HOUR (4 years through 5<sup>th</sup> grade)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

**Fall Series:**

***What to Think About Instead of Worrying***

An Exposition of Philippians 4:6-8

- Oct 8**    **Fall Friend Day; *What? Me, Worry?***  
*What to Think About Instead of Worrying* series begins  
Dr. Tim Witmer will preach.
- Oct 15**    ***Think About What's True***  
Dr. Tim Witmer will preach.
- Oct 22**    ***Think About What's Noble***  
Dr. Tim Witmer will preach.
- Oct 29**    ***Think About What's Right and Pure***  
Dr. Tim Witmer will preach.

## Song Lyrics

### ***345 Glorious Thing of Thee Are Spoken***

Glorious things of Thee are spoken,  
Zion, city of our God;  
He whose word cannot be broken,  
formed Thee for His own abode.  
on the Rock of Ages founded,  
what can shake Thy sure repose?  
With salvation's walls surrounded,  
Thou may'st smile at all Thy foes.

See, the streams of living waters, springing from eternal love,  
well supply Thy sons and daughters and all fear of want remove.  
who can faint while such a river ever flows  
their thirst to assuage?  
grace, which like the Lord, the giver,  
never fails from age to age.

Round each habitation hov'ring, see the cloud and fire appear  
for a glory and a cov'ring, showing that the Lord is near.  
thus deriving from their banner light by night and shade by day,  
safe they feed upon the manna  
which He gives them when they pray.

Savior, if of Zion's city I, through grace, a member am,  
let the world deride or pity, I will glory in Thy name:  
fading is the worldling's pleasure,  
all his boasted pomp and show;  
solid joys and lasting treasure none but Zion's children know.

### *Christ Our Glory*

Our rest is in heaven; our rest is not here  
Then why should we tremble when trials draw near?  
Be still and remember Christ carries our pain  
He shares in our suffering -through Him hope will reign

Christ our glory, Christ our hope  
Christ our King forevermore  
Our Savior's in heaven; He rules from His throne,  
And cares for the people He chose as His own

No hours should be wasted on seeking our joy  
And placing our hope in what will be destroyed  
We look for a city that hands have not raised  
We long for a country that sin has not stained

Christ our glory, Christ our hope  
Christ our King forevermore  
We look for a city that hands have not raised  
We long for a country that sin has not stained

Though trouble and anguish increase all the more  
They cannot compare to the glory in store  
Come joy or come sorrow, whatever befalls  
The light of the Savior will outshine them all

Christ our glory, Christ our hope, Christ our King forevermore  
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Christ our glory, Christ our hope, Christ our King forevermore  
Come joy or come sorrow, whatever befalls  
The light of the Savior will outshine them all

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## Because We Believe

We believe in God the Father  
We believe in Christ the Son  
We believe in the Holy Spirit  
We are the church and we stand as one!

Holy, Holy, Holy is our God,  
Worthy, Worthy, Worthy is our King.  
All glory and honor are His to receive  
To Jesus we sing because we believe!

We believe in the Holy Bible  
We believe in the virgin birth  
We believe in the resurrection  
That Christ one day will return to earth!

Holy, Holy, Holy is our God,  
Worthy, Worthy, Worthy is our King.  
All glory and honor are His to receive  
To Jesus we sing because we believe!

We believe in the blood of Jesus  
We believe in eternal life  
We believe in His blood that frees us  
To become the bride of Christ

Holy, Holy, Holy is our God,  
Worthy, Worthy, Worthy is our King.  
All glory and honor are His to receive  
To Jesus we sing because we believe!

***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

Come and behold Him, The One and the Only  
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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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## **SCRIPTURE READING**

Philippians 4:6-8 (NIV)

<sup>6</sup>Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. <sup>7</sup>And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. <sup>8</sup>Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things.