

~ *ORDINARY TIME* ~  
**MORNING WORSHIP ~ September 27, 2020 ~ 9:30 AM**  
**First Christian Reformed Church, Sioux Center, Iowa**

**WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP**

Prelude: *"Plein Jeu à la Couperin, Marche Petite, & Aria (from Baroque Suite)"*  
*"If Thou but Suffer God to Guide Thee" (BWV 647)*

Gordon Young  
J. S. Bach

Welcome

\*Hymn of Preparation: **"Holy God, We Praise Your Name" LUYH #540:1-4**

**GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP**

\*Call to Worship

Pastor: We praise you, O God; we acclaim you as Lord;

**People: all creation worships you, the Father everlasting.**

Pastor: To you all angels and all the heavenly powers sing in endless praise:

**People: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Pastor: You, Christ, are the King of glory.

**People: You overcame the sting of death  
and opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.**

Pastor: Father, of majesty unbounded;  
your true and only Son, worthy of all praise;  
the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.

**People: Come, then, Lord, and help your people,  
bought with the price of your own blood,  
and bring us with your saints to glory everlasting.  
Amen.**

(Adapted from *Te Deum*, LUYH 541)

\*God's Greeting

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Grace, mercy, and peace are yours, from God the Father Almighty,  
from the Lord Jesus, and from the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen!**

\*Hymn of Praise: **"O God Beyond All Praising" LUYH #557:1-3**

(Young children are invited to Children and Worship)

**GOD RECONCILES US TO HIMSELF**

Prayer of Confession: Psalm 130 (PFAS, p. 848)

Hymn of Penitence: **"O Christ, the Lamb of God" LUYH #630**

Assurance of Pardon

God's Will for Our Lives

\*Hymn of Dedication: **"By Faith" vs. 1-5**

**GOD COMES TO US THROUGH HIS WORD**

Prayer for Illumination

Reading of Scripture: 1 Peter 4:12-19 (New Testament p. 285)

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

Sermon: *EXILES LONGING FOR HOME: SUFFERING AND GLORY*

\*Hymn of Response: **"If You But Trust in God to Guide You" LUYH #407:1-3**

**WE RESPOND IN PRAYER AND THANKSGIVING**

Prayers of the People

\*Hymn of Dedication: **"In Christ Alone" LUYH #770:1-4**

**GOD SENDS US INTO THE WORLD**

\*Sending and Benediction

\*Postlude: *"Toccatà (from Baroque Suite)"*

Gordon Young

*\*indicates that those who are able are invited to stand*

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*Worship Leader: Rev. Kurt Monroe | Organist: Leendert van Beek  
Vocalists: Jim Bos, Kailee Davelaar*

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**EVENING WORSHIP ~ September 27, 2020 ~ 6:00 PM**  
**First Christian Reformed Church, Sioux Center, Iowa**

**WE GATHER TO WORSHIP**

Prelude: "Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now"  
"God Himself is Present"

Paul Manz  
David Cherwien, Michael Burkhardt

Welcome

\*Hymn of Preparation: "**God Himself Is with Us**" LUYH #565:1-3

\*Call to Worship

Pastor: To you, O Lord, we lift up our souls.

**People: O my God, in you we trust.**

Pastor: Make us to know your ways, O Lord; teach us your paths.

**People: Lead us in your truth, and teach us,  
for you are the God of our salvation,  
for you we wait all day long.**

Pastor: Good and upright is the Lord.

**People: Redeem us, O God, out of all our troubles.**

\*God's Greeting

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Grace, mercy, and peace are yours, from God the Father Almighty,  
from the Lord Jesus, and from the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen!**

**WE SING GOD'S PRAISE**

"**The Mighty God with Power Speaks**" LUYH #9:1-3 (PFAS #50A)

"**Behold Our God**" vs. 1-3

**WE HEAR GOD'S WORD & PROFESS AND LEARN OUR FAITH**

Psalm of the Day: Psalm 78:1-4; 12-16

Sung Prayer of Illumination: "**Open Your Ears, O Faithful People**" PFAS #78C:1-3 (LUYH #751)

Reading of Scripture: Exodus 3:13-15 (Old Testament p. 62)

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

Statement of Faith: **Belgic Confession, Article 1**

Confessional Sermon: *THE ONE WHOM WE CALL GOD*

Prayer of Application

\*Sung Sermon Response: "**Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise**" LUYH #579:1-4

Ministry of Music: "*Still, My Soul Be Still*"

*Still, my soul be still  
And do not fear  
Though winds of change may rage tomorrow  
God is at your side  
No longer dread  
The fires of unexpected sorrow*

*Refrain: God, You are my God  
And I will trust in You and not be shaken  
Lord of peace renew  
A steadfast spirit within me  
To rest in You alone*

*Still, my soul be still  
Do not be moved  
By lesser lights and fleeting shadows  
Hold onto His ways  
With shield of faith  
Against temptation's flaming arrows (Refrain)*

*Still, my soul be still  
Do not forsake  
The truth you learned in the beginning  
Wait upon the Lord  
And hope will rise  
As stars appear when day is dimming (Refrain)*

**WE LIFT OUR PRAYERS TO GOD**

Prayers of the People

**WE ARE SENT TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD**

\*Hymn of Dedication: "**Now Thank We All Our God**" LUYH #543:1-2

\*Sending and Benediction

\*Doxology: "**Now Thank We All Our God**" LUYH #543:3

\*Postlude: "*Now Thank We All Our God*"

Michael Burkhardt

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Prayer Leader: Jennifer Monroe*

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