

First ARP Church

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An Associate Reformed Family Serving God, Lancaster, and the World

Evening Worship

September 17, 2023

6:00pm

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

Psalm 100:4-5

⁴Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name! ⁵For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

*Hymn

Red Trinity Hymnal #353

"I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord" (verses 1-5)

*1 I love thy kingdom, Lord,
the house of thine abode,
the church our blest Redeemer saved
with his own precious blood.*

*4 Beyond my highest joy
I prize her heav'nly ways,
her sweet communion, solemn vows,
her hymns of love and praise.*

*2 I love thy church, O God:
her walls before thee stand,
dear as the apple of thine eye,
and graven on thy hand.*

*5 Jesus, thou Friend divine,
Our Savior and our King,
thy hand from ev'ry snare and foe
shall great deliv'rance bring.*

*3 For her my tears shall fall,
for her my prayers ascend;
to her my cares and toils be giv'n,
till toils and cares shall end.*

***Invocation**

Hymn

Red Trinity Hymnal #616

“Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”

*1 What a fellowship, what a joy divine,
leaning on the everlasting arms;
what a blessedness, what a peace is mine,
leaning on the everlasting arms.*

Refrain:

*Leaning, leaning,
safe and secure from all alarms;
leaning, leaning,
leaning on the everlasting arms.*

*2 Oh, how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way,
leaning on the everlasting arms;
oh, how bright the path grows from day to
day,*

leaning on the everlasting arms. [Refrain]

*3 What have I to dread, what have I to fear,
leaning on the everlasting arms?*

*I have blessed peace with my Lord so near,
leaning on the everlasting arms. [Refrain]*

Westminster Shorter Catechism

Question 95. To whom is Baptism to be administered?

Answer: Baptism is not to be administered to any that are out of the visible church, till they profess their faith in Christ, and obedience to him; but the infants of such as are members of the visible church are to be baptized.

Question 96: What is the Lord's Supper?

Answer: The Lord's Supper is a sacrament, wherein, by giving and receiving bread and wine, according to Christ's appointment, his death is showed forth; and the worthy receivers are, not after a corporal and carnal manner, but by faith, made partakers of his body and blood, with all his benefits, to their spiritual nourishment, and growth in grace.

Offering and Prayer of Thanksgiving

(tithes and offerings may be placed in the plate as you exit Worship)

***Psalm 15**

Handout

“With Gladness In the LORD”

Chorus

O Lord, who may abide in Your tent?

Who may dwell on Your holy hill?

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1 He who walks with integrity

All his works are righteousness

Who speaks the truth deep within his heart

Does not slander with his lips (Chorus)

2 He who loves all his neighbors well

Does no wrong unto his friends

Who honors all those who fear the Lord

But the wicked he condemns (Chorus)

3 He who swears unto his own hurt

And who never takes a bribe

He’s honest in everything he does

Never moves or turns aside (Chorus x2)

Lyrics by Jody Killingsworth and Jake Mentzel

Music by Jody Killingsworth

Evening Prayer

Scripture Reading

Pew Bible page #471

Psalm 46

Sermon

Mr. Scottie Crawford

“The Ultimate Fortress”

***Hymn**

Red Trinity Hymnal #92

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God ”

*1 A mighty fortress is our God,
a bulwark never failing;
our helper he amid the flood
of mortal ills prevailing.
For still our ancient foe
doth seek to work us woe;
his craft and pow'r are great;
and armed with cruel hate,
on earth is not his equal.*

*3 And though this world, with devils filled,
should threaten to undo us,
we will not fear, for God hath willed
his truth to triumph through us.
The prince of darkness grim,
we tremble not for him;
his rage we can endure,
for lo! his doom is sure;
one little word shall fell him.*

*2 Did we in our own strength confide,
our striving would be losing;
were not the right man on our side,
the man of God's own choosing.
Dost ask who that may be?
Christ Jesus, it is he,
Lord Sabaoth his name,
from age to age the same,
and he must win the battle.*

*4 That Word above all earthly pow'rs,
no thanks to them, abideth;
the Spirit and the gifts are ours
through him who with us sideth.
Let goods and kindred go,
this mortal life also;
the body they may kill:
God's truth abideth still;
his kingdom is forever.*

***Free Offer of the Gospel**

***Benediction**

2 Corinthians 13:14

¹⁴The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

***Fellowship with the Saints**

Join us in the Fellowship Hall as we gather for fellowship and discussion.

Youth in grades 6-12 will meet in room #12 on the Red Hallway.

Children will meet in room #2 on the Green Hallway.

Music Leader: Mr. David Huffman