

First Reformed Church of Cary

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 13, 2017

Rev. George Van Arnam, Contract Minister
Dr. Loñieta Cornwall, Music Director

Prelude *“Take My Life and Let it be”*

Congregational Concerns

Votum

Choral Introit

“This is the day....that the Lord has made.....I will rejoice....and be glad in it....”

The Approach to God

*Call to Worship

The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof,

The world and those who dwell therein.

For he has founded it upon the seas,

and established it upon the rivers.

Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord, and who shall stand in his holy place?

**He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul
to what is false and does not swear deceitfully.**

He will receive blessing from the Lord,

And vindication from the God of his salvation.

*Hymn of Praise #2 *“For the Beauty of the Earth”*

Unison Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, you call us to step out in faith, trusting in you for all things. We respond to your command but then sink in doubt and fear. We hide from the challenges of bold discipleship. We do not fulfill your commands for our purposes are never in full accord with yours. Forgive us, we pray, as we confess our missteps. Lead us out of our sin into your mercy. Though we are distracted by the noise all around us, allow us to hear your voice even in the midst of silence.

Silent prayer of Confession

Unison Prayer for Forgiveness

In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Holy name. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

***Hymn #345**

"He Who Would Valiant Be"

Reception of Gifts & Offerings

Ministry of Music

"He's got the whole world in His hands.....He's got the sun and the moon right in His hands..... He's got everybody here right in His hands....."

***Doxology**

***Offertory Prayer**

The Word of God

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture

Psalm 65: 5-13, Matthew 6: 25-34

Sermon

"The Earth is so full of a Number of Things..."

Our Response to God

***Confession of Faith**

Apostles' Creed

(Page 12 Hymnal)

We are and will continue to be a community that loves and worships God in the Reformed tradition for the purpose of actively caring for those in need around us.

Congregational Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

***Closing Hymn #101**

"This is My Father's World"

***Benediction**

"Three- Fold Amen"

***Postlude**

*Those that are able please stand