# **First Reformed Church of Cary**

Transfiguration Sunday February 26, 2017

Joel Boersma, Guest Preacher
Dr. Loñieta Cornwall. Music Director

Prelude "I Would Draw Nearer to Jesus" L. Cornwall, Piano

**Congregational Concerns** 

Votum

Choral Introit "O Come, Let Us Sing to the Lord" Chancel Choir

# **The Approach to God**

**Invitation to Worship** (taken from Psalm 96)

Oh sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth!

Sing to the Lord, bless his name;

tell of his salvation from day to day.

Declare his glory among the nations,

his marvelous works among all the peoples!

For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised;

he is to be feared above all gods.

For all the gods of the peoples are worthless idols,

but the Lord made the heavens.

Splendor and majesty are before him;

strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.

Say among the nations, "The Lord reigns!

Yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved;

he will judge the peoples with equity."

\*Hymn of Praise #141 "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

#### **Prayer of Confession**

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so 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 of Assurance "Great is Thy Faithfulness" [Insert]

Reception of Gifts & Offerings

Ministry of Music "Draw Near to the Lord" Chancel Choir

\*Doxology

\*Offertory Prayer

The Word of God

**Prayer for Illumination** 

Scripture Colossians 3:1-11

Meditation "Heaven in Ordinary"

Our Response to God

\*Confession of Faith The Apostle's 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

\*Hymn #399 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

\*Benediction

\*Response "Draw Near to the Lord" – Reprise Chancel Choir

\*Postlude

\*Those that are able please stand

Joel Boersma, a native of Holland, Michigan, is in his third year of study at Duke Divinity School. While at Duke, he has learned from wise teachers how reading Scripture forms us as disciples of Jesus. He is currently leading a college fellowship group at Blacknall Presbyterian Church, comprised mainly of Duke and UNC undergraduates. He is pursuing ordination in the RCA and hopes to be involved in Christian education after seminary. In his free time, he regularly competes in basketball games and tennis matches to balance out the steady stream of pages to read and papers to write!

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