

Hillcrest CRC
February 14, 2010 – Evening Worship

“Let us therefore make every effort to do what leads to peace....”
Romans 14:19a

Prelude: “Come, Thou Almighty King” (PH 246) - Krapf
"Meditative Prelude in G" - Guilman
"Variations on Psalm 117" (PH 117) - Burkhardt

*Welcome and Mutual Greeting

*Prayer of Invocation

*Opening Song: “Lord God Almighty” (vs. 1-3)

CHORUS:

***Lord God Almighty, Savior, Redeemer,
only true God to be worshiped and praised.
How can we tell you how much we love you?
Take now our lives, Lord, and teach us to love.***

1. **“Do not fear, for I have redeemed you.
You are mine, by name I have called you.
When you walk through the waters, I will be there with you.
You are my witnesses, created for my glory.
Tell the nations I am the Savior. Tell them I am the Lord.”**
(Chorus)
2. **Shout for joy, O heavens, and rejoice, O earth!
Into joyful shouting let the mountains break forth!
For the Lord will comfort his people,
show compassion to those afflicted.
He will not leave to shame those who trust in his Word.**
3. **Father, we praise you; Jesus, we love you;
Spirit, we thank you for the gifts of new life.
How can we tell you how much we love you?
Take now our lives, Lord, and teach us to love.**

*God’s Greeting (*Congregation responds with “Amen!”*)

*Hymn: “Spirit of the Living God” (PH 424:1-2)

*United Profession:

What do you believe about the church of Christ?

**We believe and confess
one single catholic or universal church—
a holy congregation and gathering
of true Christian believers.**

What binds them all together?

**They await their entire salvation in Jesus Christ,
having been washed by his blood,
and sanctified and sealed by the Holy Spirit.**

When did this church begin?

**This church has existed from the beginning of the world
and will last until the end, as appears from the fact
that Christ is eternal King
who cannot be without subjects.**

How is this church preserved?

**This holy church is preserved by God
against the rage of the whole world,
even though for a time it may appear very small
in the eyes of humankind—
as though it were snuffed out.**

How big is this church?

**This holy church is not confined,
bound, or limited to a certain place or certain persons.
But it is spread and dispersed
throughout the entire world,
though still joined and united
in heart and will, in one and the same Spirit,
by the power of faith.**

(based on Belgic Confession, Art. 27, reprinted by permission from *The Worship Sourcebook*, ©
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*Song of Response: "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" (PH 315:1,3,6)

Evening Prayer and Offertory Prayer

Offering and Offertory: "The Gift of Love" (a meditation on I Cor. 13)

- Wood

(Tonight's offering is received for the Deacons' Benevolence Ministry.

Please pass the Friendship Folders at this time.)

*Song of Preparation: "How Good and Pleasant Is the Sight"

(PH 514:1-2)

*Scripture: Romans 14 (p. 1765)

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Message: "Living with a Generous Heart"

Prayer of Application

*Song of Application: "Christian Hearts in Love United" (PH 513:1-3)

*God's Parting Blessing

*Moment of Reflection

*Postlude: "They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love" - Held

**Please rise in body and/or in spirit*

Participants:

Organist: Norma Malefyt

Liturgist and Preaching: Pastor Greg Janke, Director of Admissions,
Calvin Theological Seminary

Prayer: Marc Zuiderveen

All Worshipers

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Worship Times: 8:30 AM & 10:45 AM and 5:30 PM

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SERMON NOTES

**“Living with a Generous Heart”
Romans 14 (p. 1765)**