

May 12, 2024 at 9:30am (EDT)

Kasey Garvelink, Deacon
Martha Ruit, Elder
North Hills Ensemble
David Baker, Liturgist
The Rev. Dr. Randall Engle, Preaching Minister
Amy Kesler, Oboe
Mary Baker, Organist
Willie Yuhas, Technicians
Rob Bowles, Usher

String Quintet:

Sita Yetasook & Phoebe Gelzer–Govatos, Violins Janine Bradbury, Viola Chaewon Helge, Cello Gregg Powell, Bass Violin

Please sign and pass the blue Friendship Register at the end of your pew.

# We Enter God's Presence

\*Our Call to Worship:

One: Sing a new song to the Lord
who has worked wonders,
whose right hand and holy arm have brought salvation.

All: The Lord has made known salvation;

The Lord has made known salvation; He has shown justice to the nations;

He has remembered truth and love for the house of Israel.

One: All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

All: Shout to the Lord, all the earth, sing out your joy.

One: Sing psalms to the Lord with the harp, with the sound of music.

All: With trumpets and the sound of the horn acclaim the King, the Lord.

*Our Opening Psalm: Jesus Shall Reign (Psalm 72)	
*God's Greeting	
*Mutual Greetings	
*A Song of Praise: Jesus Is Lord	Hymnal 226

### We Celebrate God's Grace

**Call to Confession** 

**Prayers of Confession** 

The Assurance of God's Pardon

The Response: You Do Not Walk Alone..... Elaine Hagenberg

May you see God's light on the path ahead
When the road you walk is dark
May you always hear, even in your hour of sorrow
The gentle singing of the lark
When times are hard may hardness never turn your heart to stone
May you always remember when the shadows fall
You do not walk alone

-Traditional Irish Blessing

#### **Our Morning Prayers**

The prayer is concluded with everyone praying the Lord's Prayer:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever.
Amen.

## We Hear God's Word

One: This is the Word of the Lord!

All: Thanks be to God!

In My Father's house are many dwellings And if I go to prepare a place for you I will come back again and take you to myself So that where I am you also may be

Do not let your hearts be troubled You have faith in God Have faith also in Me In My Father's house are many dwelling places

If there were not, would I have told you I am going to prepare a place for you?

Where I am going, you know the way For I am The Way, The Truth, and The Life No one comes to the Father except through Me If you know Me, you also know My Father

My Spirit will be with you always The Advocate, the Spirit of Truth Will remind you of all I have said

Peace I leave with you
My peace I give to you
Do not let your hearts be troubled
Do not be afraid
I have told you I will come back to you
Have faith in Me

~John 14, selected

Mansions

The Sermon:

The Sermon Prayer

# We Respond

Our Morning Offerings are Received

\*God's Blessing

\*The Organ Postlude



About our worship setting for Ascension Sunday: On Ascension Sunday, the church celebrates that Christ ascended on the clouds into heaven (Acts 1). To mark the event, the Sanctuary's front wall is graced with a very large (4' x 11') skyscape by Chris Stoffel Overvoorde entitled Clouds Over Michigan, functioning as a sort of window that opens to us a view of God's magnificent creation. In his artist statement, Overvoorde explains his preoccupation with skyscapes: I paint clouds because they cause people to look up. Further, the predominate colors of blue and green are symbolic covenant colors: blue is the color of the water of baptism, and green is the color of growth and new life. The pulpit paraments are meant only to be accents highlighting the clouds of the painting; the mottled blue background and green crosses were designed by Paul Andriese and fabricated by Jean Engle, Pastor Engle's mother.

# North Hills Christian Reformed Church

Rev. Randall D. Engle, PhD, Minister
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Noah Cherry, Social Media Director
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Cole VanAmberg, Tenor Choral Scholar

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#### District Elders and Deacons

North and Rochester: Elder Martha Ruit (2024) Deacon Kasey Garvelink (2026)

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### Jesus Shall Reign

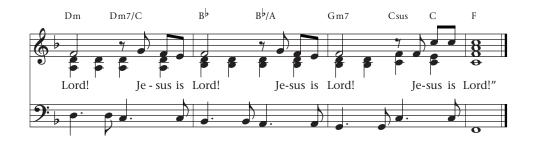
#### PSALM 72



5 Let every creature rise and bring the highest honors to our King, angels descend with songs again, and earth repeat the loud amen.

For other settings of Ps. 72 see 109, 953
Words: Isaac Watts, 1719, alt., P.D.
Music (DUKE STREET 8.8.8.8): John Hatton, (1710-1793), 1793, P.D.





## Rejoice, the Lord Is King



Words: Charles Wesley, 1744, alt., P.D. Music (DARWALL'S 148th 6.6.6.6.8.8): John Darwall, 1770; desc. Sydney H. Nicholson (1875-1947), P.D.