

## A Summer Worship Celebration

Jay Gould Memorial Reformed Church     Prattsville Reformed Church

10:00 A.M.

August 30, 2020

*Welcome in the name of Jesus Christ! May each one of us find great joy and spiritual nourishment as we worship together today.*

Prelude: "Fairest Lord Jesus" . . . . . arr. Joel Raney  
Dan Chien, Organist

*(Silent prayer: "Fill our worship with grace, Lord Jesus Christ, that every thought, word, and deed may be acceptable to you, our Rock and our Redeemer. Amen.")*

Call to Worship (based on Isaiah 55:6-7) . . . . . Pastor Alisha Riepma

Leader: Seek the Lord while he may be found,

**People: Call upon him while he is near;**

Leader: Let the wicked forsake their way,

**People: And the unrighteous their thoughts;**

Leader: Let them return to the Lord, that he may have mercy on them,

**People: And to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.**

\* Hymn "I Sing the Almighty Power of God"

\* Prayer of Invocation

\* Greeting Time (*Please greet those around you*)

Prayer of Confession

Leader: Merciful God, You pardon all who truly repent and turn to you. We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy. We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, Or walked humbly with you, our God.

*(silent confession)*

**People: Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving-kindness.**

**In your great compassion,**

**Cleanse us from our sin.**

**Create in us a clean heart, O God,**

**And renew a right spirit within us.**

**Do not cast us from your presence,**

**Or take your Holy Spirit from us.**

**Restore to us the joy of your salvation**

**And sustain us with your bountiful Spirit.**

**Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon & Summary of the Law

Special Music: "I Will Be Christ to You" . . . . . Dan & Becky Chien  
Words and music by Marty Parks, arr. Tom Fettke

Scripture: Romans 12:1, 2, 9-21 . . . . . Rev. Richard Dykstra

Sermon: "What does a transformed Church look like?"

\* The Affirmation —from The Belhar Confession

**We believe in the triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, who gathers, protects and cares for the church through Word and Spirit. This, God has done since the beginning of the world and will do to the end.**

**We believe in one holy, universal Christian church, the communion of saints called from the entire human family.**

**We believe that God has entrusted the church with the message of reconciliation in and through Jesus Christ, that the church is called to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world, that the church is called blessed because it is a peacemaker, that the church is witness both by word and by deed to the new heaven and the new earth in which righteousness dwells.**

**We believe that Jesus is Lord. To the one and only God, Son and Holy Spirit, be the honor and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.**

\* Offertory Prayer

\* Doxology

Prayers of Intercession

\* Hymn "Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us With Your Love"

\* Benediction

Postlude: "Make Me a Channel of Your Peace" . . . arr. Jane Holstein

*(\* Please stand if able)*