October 29, 2023



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"We Don't Always Get to the Promised Land"

Deuteronomy 34:1-12 Rev. Betsy Wooster

Gathered at Federated Church: 76 Bell Street, Chagrin Falls, OH 44022

Also streaming live at YouTube.com/TheFederatedChurch



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Reformation Sunday

10 AM

Chimes indicate the service is starting, and silence is appreciated to prepare for worship.

Prelude

Brethren, We Have Met to Worship (D. Husted)

Marcia Snavely, organ

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Betsy Wooster

Introit

Allegro Giocoso (Joseph Haydn; arr. by Acton Ostling)

Zoe LeFeber

* Call to Worship (responsive)

Marty Culbertson

One: Welcome! We are always on the way to the promised land of God!

All: We can look around and see the love of God reflected on every face.

One: And yet there is always more travel ahead, new places God calls us to go.

All: We can close our eyes and see God's hope for our future.

One: Welcome! Let us follow in God's vision together.

* Passing of Christ's Peace

* Hymn

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

No. 65

Opening Prayer (unison)

Marty Culbertson

God of the mountaintop,
in prayer you walk us to the highest point
from which we are offered an opportunity
to view the world as you see it
and the world as you wish it would be.
From this vantage point of gratitude,
we praise you for all you have given us,
and ask that you draw our eyes from our concerns alone
to those of our neighbors,
our community, our world.
Amen.

^{*} Those who are able stand

Generosity Witness and Invitation to Generosity Adam and Allison Graves Morgan, Madison, and Michael Graves

Congregational Affirmation of Generosity (*unison*) Adam and Allison Graves Morgan, Madison, and Michael Graves

We see God's generosity in the creation of the world around us and all its resources.

We experience God's generosity in the grace we have been given through Jesus Christ.

We affirm that all we have is a gift from God, and as God's children, we are called to be generous to each other, to our neighbors, to our church, and to our community.

We show our gratefulness for God's generosity when we give generously.

Anthem Sing, Sing, Sing, Sing (Douglas E. Wagner) Federated Children's Choir Marcia Snavely, piano; Pat Haynish, director

(K-8th grade dismissed for Sunday School)

* Doxology No. 47

* Prayer of Dedication

Rev. Wooster

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Fellowship of Prayer

Marty Culbertson

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

* **Hymn** Ours the Journey No. 458

Scripture Deuteronomy 34:1-12 Rev. Wooster

Sermon Rev. Wooster

* **Hymn** Lead On, O Cloud of Presence No. 633

* Benediction Rev. Wooster

Postlude A Mighty Fortress Is Our God (E. Whitsett) Marcia Snavely, organ

~ Departing to Service~



"Moses Sees the Promised Land."

UPCOMING WORSHIP

Sunday, November 5th, 10 AM
All Saints Sunday
Rev. Hamilton Throckmorton preaches
Greatness in Servanthood? Really?
Matthew 23:1-12