First Reformed Church of Cary

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY after Pentecost

November 13, 2016

Daniel Camacho, Guest Speaker Dr. Loñieta Cornwall. Music Director

Prelude

Congregational Concerns

Votum "Our Help is in the name of the Lord who made the heaven and the earth"

Choral Introit "Praise You" Chancel Choir

The Approach to God

Invitation to Worship

One: The earth is the Lord's

All: and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it.

One: Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord? And who shall stand in the Lord's holy place?

All: Those who have clean hands and pure hearts.

One: Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors!

All: that the King of glory may come in.

One: Who is this King of glory?

All: The Lord of hosts is the King of glory.

*Hymn of Praise #19

"Praise God, Ye Servants of the Lord"

Prayer of Confession

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. 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. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Hear the good news! Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun. I declare to you in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Amen.

Hymn #215 "Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts"

Reception of Gifts & Offerings

Choir/Congregational Song

God is so good (3x) O so good to me. He saved my soul (3x) God's so good to me. I'll praise His name (3x) God's so good to me. *Doxology

*Offertory Prayer

The Word of God

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Isaiah 65:17-25; Luke 21:5-19

Meditation "It gets worse before it gets better"

Our Response to God

*Confession of Faith The Apostles' 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 being known as a congregation that actively cares for those in need around us.

Congregational Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

*Closing Hymn #358 "God of Grace and God of Glory"

*Benediction "Three-Fold amen"

*Postlude

*Those who are able please stand

WELCOME

Daniel Camacho is currently a 3rd year Masters of Divinity student at Duke. Born to Colombian parents and raised in Uniondale, New York, he completed his undergraduate at Calvin College in Grand Rapids, Michigan. Besides reading, Daniel enjoys playing volleyball, rooting for his sports allegiances (Mets, Knicks, Giants, and Duke Basketball), and building community bridges for the Kingdom of God.

THANK YOU

We extend our thanks to Carol Myers for providing the music for our Worship Service today.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

There will be a congregation meeting November 20 following the worship service. John Ferris and Ethel Yarter have accepted nominations to serve on Consistory. At the meeting we will vote on those nominations. A budget will be shared and Consistory will give an update on the latest plans for going forward.