

FAIRFIELD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Welcoming Beulah Presbyterian Church

August 14, 2016

13th Sunday after Pentecost

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude

Be Thou My Vision

Joyce, arr. Wilhelmi

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

Leader: Praise the Lord! In the company of the saints above and beside us, let us give thanks to the Lord our God!

People: Great are the works of the Lord, full of honor and majesty, whose righteousness endures forever.

Leader: The Lord is gracious and merciful; the work of God's hands are faithful and just.

People: God's covenant is established forever in truth and justice.

Leader: Our redemption is in the name of our Lord.

People: Holy and awesome is God's name in all the earth!

WE PRAISE GOD TOGETHER

***Hymn #50**

Great Is the Lord

Prayer of Confession

You must shake your head in wonder at our ways, Ever faithful God. How can we say we want wisdom, when we foolishly squander the knowledge we have of your ways? How can we claim to follow you, when we walk the slippery roads of the world not caring where they lead us? How can we desire your great

and steadfast love, when the simple seductions of our society are in full view every day?

How can you have mercy on such unwise and unfaithful people, All Wise God? Yet, that is exactly what you do: and our greed turns to gratitude, our pettiness to praise, our tantrums to thanksgiving, as hope and joy become our blessing through the One we call our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen. *(Silent prayer and reflection)*

Words of Assurance

Leader: Friends, in Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven!

People: **Thanks be to God!**

***Gloria Patri #734**

“Glory Be to the Father”

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer

Time with the Children

Robbie Dobson

(* After the Children’s Message, children ages 4 through 2nd grade are welcome to go to our Infant/Toddler Nursery.)

Anthem

Humble and Kind
Ashley Young, soloist

McGraw

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

Scripture Lesson

Ephesians 5: 1-2, 15-20

Pew Bible p. 194-New Testament

Sermon Series Message

Ephesus for the Rest of Us
“Eucharisting”

Rev. Darren Utley

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

***Hymn of Response #695**

As We Gather at Your Table

***Affirmation of Faith** (insert)

Offering

(Please sign and pass the Friendship Pads during this time)

Offertory *What a Friend We Have in Jesus* Converse, arr. McMillen

***The Doxology** #44 *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Closing Hymn** #359 *Give Thanks*

***Benediction**

***Postlude** *In the Sweet By and By* Webster

* Those who are able, please stand.

Hearing assistance devices are available for anyone who needs them.
Please ask an usher.

The memory verse for August is: *“Follow God’s example, therefore, as dearly loved children and walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.”*
(Ephesians 5:1-2)