

FAIRFIELD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

February 19, 2017

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude

He Has Made Me Glad
Fairfield Ringers

arr. Lamb

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome & Announcements

Introit

We Will Walk with Each Other

Call to Worship

Leader: Sing to the Lord a new song.

People: sing to the Lord, all the earth.

Leader: The choice is before us: life or death

People: Let us choose life, so that we may live.

Leader: Let us worship God.

WE PRAISE GOD TOGETHER

***Hymn #96**

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Prayer of Confession

Holy God, we confess that we bow down before other gods; we have turned our hearts away from you. Our worship of work and devotion to consumerism disorders our love of you and each other.

Forgive us, God, and mend what is broken, that we may be one with you. 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

Vicky Brady

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

Anthem

God Is Our Eternal Refuge

Parks

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

Scripture Lesson

Deuteronomy 30: 15-20

Pew Bible p. 186 - Old Testament

Sermon Series

New Year, Same Promises

Message

God’s Promise of Freedom

Dr. Steve Starzer

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

Reception of New Members

***Hymn of Response #551**

As a Fire Is Meant for Burning

Affirmation of Faith (back of bulletin)

Offering

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

Offertory

Great Is Thy Faithfulness
Fairfield Ringers

arr. Thompson

***The Doxology #44**

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Closing Hymn #559**

Here I Am, Lord

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

When Morning Gilds the Skies

arr. Wood

* Those who are able, please stand.

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

Our memory verse for February is: *“Do not seek revenge or bear a grudge against anyone among your people, but love your neighbor as yourself. I am the Lord.”* Leviticus 19:18

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church.

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God’s new heaven and new earth, praying, “Come, Lord Jesus!”

(from “A Brief Statement of Faith, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)”)