

FAIRFIELD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

September 17, 2017

15th Sunday after Pentecost

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude

Adagio

Brahms

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome & Announcements

Introit

Come Away from Rush and Hurry

Call to Worship

Leader: In the presence of God the sea shall flee, the mountains shall skip like rams and the hills like lambs.

People: We are bold to approach you and call you our God. We come into your presence with singing and into your courts with praise.

Leader: Let us worship God!

WE PRAISE GOD TOGETHER

***Hymn # 257**

What Wondrous Love Is This

Unison Prayer of Confession

We are mindful that each time we come into your presence how willing you are to forgive seventy times seven. Yet when people betray us we bear grudges and think ill of them. We are quick to anger when we feel we've been wronged. We do not hasten to seek reconciliation even when we would rather things were less stressful and tense. Forgive us when we hesitate to emulate your example and help us to seek the peace Christ taught us to practice. 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

Martha Houchins

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

Anthem

My Lord is Near Me All the Time

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

Scripture Lesson

Matthew 18: 21-35

Pew Bible p. 20- New Testament

Sermon Series Message

Life’s Not Fair
Loophole

Dr. Steve Starzer

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

***Hymn of Response # 354**

Just As I Am

*** Affirmation of Faith** The Apostles’ Creed (inside Hymnbook)

Offering

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

Offertory

How Can I Keep from Singing Lowry-Carter

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

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Closing Hymn # 426**

Blessed Assurance

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

Immortal, Invisible

arr. Peterson

* Those who are able, please stand.

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

Our memory verse for September is: *“Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Share with the Lord’s people who are in need. Practice hospitality.”* Romans 12:12-13