

FAIRFIELD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

September 24, 2017

16th Sunday after Pentecost

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude *Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart* arr. Eithun
Fairfield Ringers

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome & Announcements

Introit *Come Away from Rush and Hurry*

Call to Worship

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord! The Lord hears the cries of the people.

People: Give thanks to the Lord.

Leader: The works of the Lord are great. Remember what God has done.

People: Give thanks to the Lord.

Leader: God has done miracles and the Lord always remembers God's covenant.

People: Give thanks to the Lord. Glory and praise is due to the Lord!

WE PRAISE GOD TOGETHER

***Hymn # 66**

To God Be the Glory

Unison Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, we have sought after things, but we have not sought after you. We have expected generosity, but we have not shown generosity. We have not been gracious or grateful. We have failed to remember all that

you have done.

Forgive us and fill our hearts with gratitude. Help us to share our gifts and strengthen our legs so that we can run after you, O God. In Jesus name we pray. 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

Amy Atkinson

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

Anthem

In Christ Alone

Getty-Townend

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

Scripture Lesson

Matthew 20: 1 - 16

Pew Bible p. 21-New Testament

Sermon Series

Life’s Not Fair

Message

Firsts and Lasts

Rev. Darren Utley

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

***Hymn of Response # 424**

How Can I Keep from Singing?

*** Affirmation of Faith**

The Apostles’ Creed

(inside Hymnbook)

Offering

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

Offertory

Joyfully Rejoice
Fairfield Ringers

arr. Osman

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

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Closing Hymn # 440**

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

God, The Almighty

Davidson

* Those who are able, please stand.

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

We want to thank Martha Houchins for being our worship leader today. Thank you Martha for helping us to worship God.

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