

FAIRFIELD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

October 29, 2017

21st Sunday after Pentecost

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude *Come, O Thou Traveler Unknown* arr. Wood

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome & Announcements

Introit *All Creatures of our God and King*

Call to Worship

Leader: Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns and yet God provides for the basic sustenance of life.

People: May our hearts be open to trust you.

Leader: Look at the birds of the air; they neither study nor plan nor plot their course and yet God writes the instinct for migration into their hearts.

People: May our eyes be open to see you.

Leader: Look at the birds of the air; they neither talk nor vote nor debate their responsibility yet God weaves them into communities which nurture and defend.

People: May our hands be open to serve you.**

WE PRAISE GOD TOGETHER

***Hymn # 21**

This Is My Father's World

Prayer of Confession

O God, we want to have our cake and eat it too: we want to be a friend of the world and still be your friend. Yet, Jesus taught us: “No one can serve two masters.” Give us strength and courage to get our priorities straight: help us to seek your kingdom first. Help us to live faithfully and joyfully in the world, and to be friends with the people you call us to serve. Help us also remember that our best relationship is the one we have with you. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. 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

Darlene Shegogue

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

Anthem

How Firm a Foundation

arr. Wood

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

Scripture Lesson

Matthew 6: 24-34

Pew Bible p. 6 - New Testament

Sermon Series Message

Enemies of Gratitude
Worry

Rev. Darren Utley

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***Hymn of Response # 349**

Seek Ye First

*** Affirmation of Faith** (insert)

Offering

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

Offertory

Intermezzo

Mascagni

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

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Closing Hymn # 590**

Rise Up, O Saints of God!

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

Go Forth With Joy

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* Those who are able, please stand.

** Call to Worship written by Katherine Hawker, and posted on **Liturgies Outside**. www.liturgyoutside.net.

*** Prayer of Confession written by Bruce Gillette and Carolyn Winfrey Gillette.

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

Our memory verse for October is: *“Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse. Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn. Live in harmony with one another. Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position. Do not be conceited. (Romans 12: 14-16)*