

FAIRFIELD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

April 1, 2018

Easter Sunday

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude

The Strife Is O'er
Fairfield Ringers

arr. Wagner

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome & Announcements

Introit

Hosanna in the Highest!
Children's Choir

Tuttle

Call to Worship

Leader: The Lord is risen! Alleluia!

People: Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!

Leader: This is the good news by which we are saved:

People: On the third day Jesus rose from the dead.

Leader: Let us worship God.

WE PRAISE GOD TOGETHER

***Hymn # 298**

The Day of Resurrection!

Prayer of Confession

God of all hope and joy, we confess that we continue to live in fear. You raised Jesus to new life, yet we hold onto former things. You offer salvation to all, yet we fail to share this good news.

Forgive us, God of grace. By your Spirit, make us witnesses to the wonder of the empty tomb and the fullness of life you promise; through 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

Vicky Brady

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

Anthem

We’re Gonna Worship Christ the King
Jerry Williamson, soloist

Choplin

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

Scripture Lesson

John 20: 1-18

Pew Bible p. 114 - New Testament

Message

“The Resurrection Life”

Dr. Steve Starzer

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

*** Affirmation of Faith**

L: Christ is Risen

P: He is Risen indeed.

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P: He is Risen indeed!

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P: He is Risen indeed!!

***Hymn of Response # 288**

Christ the Lord is Risen Today

Offering

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

Offertory *Hallelujah! What a Savior's Love* arr. Waldrop
Fairfield Ringers

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

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Closing Hymn # 287** *Lift High the Cross*

***Benediction**

***Postlude** *Lift High the Cross* Nicholson-Smith

* Those who are able, please stand.

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

The memory verse for April is: “The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.”(Lamentations 3: 22-23)