

FAIRFIELD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

January 16, 2022

2nd Sunday of Epiphany

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude

Children of The Heavenly Father

Harold DeCou

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome & Announcements

Introit

We Are the Church

Call to Worship

L: God, stretching to the heavens -

P: God, lofty like the clouds -

L: God, mighty like the mountains -

P: God, immense like the great deep -

L: your salvation is expansive and generous,
touching people and creatures alike.

P: We rejoice in the measures of your steadfast love!

WE PRAISE GOD TOGETHER

***Hymn # 544**

The Church's One Foundation

Unison Prayer of Confession

Loving Lord, we long to be your faithful people, but our good intentions run out and we come up empty. For all the ways we fall short in our sin, forgive us, Gracious One. Change us - like water into wine - to become what the world lacks, that our community, our nation, our church, and all creation may know your justice and love. Amen. *(Silent prayer and reflection)*

Words of Assurance

Leader: Friends, in Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven!

People: Thanks be to God!

Gloria Patri #733

Glory Be to the Father

Psalter Reading

Psalm 36: 5-10

L: Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens,
and your faithfulness to the clouds.

**P: Your righteousness is like the strong mountains,
Your justice like the great deep;
you save humankind and animals, O Lord.**

L: How priceless is your love, O God!
All people take refuge under the shadow of your wings.

**P: They feast upon the abundance of your house;
you give them drink from the river of your delights.**

L: For with you is the well of life,
and in your light we see light.

**P: Continue your loving kindness to those who know you,
and your favor to those who are true of heart.**

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Anthem

God is Our Eternal Refuge

Parks

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Scripture Lessons

I John 1: 1-10

Pew Bible p. 238(New Test.)

Sermon Series

Why the Church?

Message

"The Shelter, Nurture, and Spiritual Fellowship of the Children of God"

Dr. Steve Starzer

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***Hymn of Response #603**

In Christ There Is No East or West

*** Affirmation of Faith**

Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.08

In Jesus of Nazareth, true humanity was realized once for all. Jesus, a Palestinian Jew, lived among his own people and shared their needs, temptations, joys, and sorrows. He expressed the love of God in word and deed and became a brother to all kinds of sinful men and women. But his complete obedience led him into conflict with his people. His life and teaching judged their goodness, religious aspirations, and national hopes. Many rejected him and demanded his death. In giving himself freely for them, he took upon himself the judgment under which everyone stands convicted. God raised him from the dead, vindicating him as Messiah and Lord. The victim of sin became victor, and won the victory over sin and death for all.

Offering

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

Offertory

Bind Us Together, Lord

Bob Gillman

***The Doxology #44**

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Closing Hymn #393**

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

Canzona in do Maggiore

Domenico Zipoli