

FAIRFIELD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

January 30, 2022

4th Sunday of Epiphany

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude

Come, Now Is the Time to Worship

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome & Announcements

Introit

We Are the Church

Call to Worship

L: Thank you, God, for gathering us.

P: Remind us again of your love.

L: The good news of the gospel is this: the God of all creation came to dwell among us, but we crucified this revelation of sacrificial love.

P: God went to the depths of hell to gather us all. In Christ's resurrection we are drawn again to the presence of God.

L: This is good news for all who hear.

WE PRAISE GOD TOGETHER

***Hymn # 87**

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

Unison Prayer of Confession

Generous God, when we set our tables, we imagine who belongs. We are satisfied to welcome those we call our own. Our boundaries are drawn for our own family, our own congregation, our own neighborhood. We limit the seating to those who make us comfortable, and lay out the welcome mat for those who we choose to welcome. But your kingdom has no boundary. Before our birth you have known, loved, and claimed each and every one. Soften our hearts to those we rage against. Restore us to your vision of who belongs at the table. Renew us with your abundant mercy and love, which knows no end. 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 98

L: Sing to the Lord a new song, who has done marvelous things,
whose right hand and holy arm have won the victory.

P: **O Lord, you have made known your victory, you have revealed
your righteousness in the sight of the nations.**

L: You remember your steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of
Israel; all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

P: **Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; lift up your voice, rejoice
and sing.**

L: Sing to the Lord with the harp, with the harp and the voice of song.

P: **With trumpets and the sound of the horn
shout with joy before the king, the Lord.**

L: Let the sea roar, and all that fills it,
the world and those who dwell therein.

P: **Let the rivers clap their hands, and let the hills ring out with joy
before the Lord, who comes to judge the earth.**

All: **The Lord will judge the world with righteousness and the peoples
with equity.**

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Anthem

Borning Cry
Debby Starzer, flute

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WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Scripture Lessons

John 4: 19-24

Pew Bible p. 95 (New Test.)

Ordination & Installation of Elders Class 2024

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

***Hymn of Response #93**

Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness

*** 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

Siciliana

William Walond

***The Doxology #44**

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Closing Hymn #96**

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

Christians, We Have Met Together

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