

FAIRFIELD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

April 3, 2022

5th Sunday in Lent

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude

Herzliebster Jesu

Johannes Brahms

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome & Announcements

Introit

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ

Call to Worship

L: God makes a way out of no way.

P: God sees our tears and turns them into joy.

L: God makes the impossible possible

P: and sees the desperate needs of all people.

L: Come close, healing Lord,
and receive our worship.

WE PRAISE GOD TOGETHER

***Hymn #264**

In the Cross of Christ I Glory

Unison Prayer of Confession

Why are you so extravagant, O God? We work hard, use our intelligence, keep our ledgers balanced, accomplish feats daily, care for our families, and honor our inherited legacies. Is this not enough to earn our place among the favored? Yet you throw open windows and doors, revealing a vision we do not possess, where accomplishments don't count, where tears reap joy, where peace is found in suffering, where confidence is gained by giving away what is ours to treasure. Show us again what matters. Forgive our misplaced values, and draw us into your extravagance, that we, too, might be generous with our love. (Silent prayer and reflection) Amen.

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 126

L: When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion,
then were we like those who dream.

**P: Then was our mouth filled with laughter,
and our tongue with shouts of joy.**

L: Then they said among the nations,
“The Lord has done great things for them.”

**P: The Lord has done great things for us,
and we are glad indeed.**

L: Restore our fortunes, O Lord,
like the watercourses of the Negev.

**P: Those who sowed with tears
will reap with songs of joy.**

**All: Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed,
will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.**

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer

Anthem

Lamb of God

Paris/arr. Larson

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

Scripture Lesson

Matthew 27: 15-26

Pew Bible p. 32 (New Test.)

**Sermon Series
Message**

**Jesus’ People
“Barabbas”**

Dr. Steve Starzer

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***Hymn of Response # 263**

Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed

Offering

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

Offertory

What Will You Do With Jesus?

Mary L. Stocks

***The Doxology #44**

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

***Prayer of Dedication**

The Lord's Supper (insert)

***Closing Hymn # 261**

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

In The Cross of Christ I Glory

arr. John Carter