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Fairfield
Presbyterian Church
Belong / Grow / Serve

As a Christian community,
together we BELONG to God,
GROW in Christ and SERVE led by the Spirit

FAIRFIELD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

February 26, 2023

1st Sunday in Lent

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude

Abide In Me

arr. Erwin Horn

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome & Announcements

Introit

Jesus Loves Me
Fairfield Ringers

arr. McChesney

Call to Worship

Leader: For forty days and forty nights,

**People: led by the Spirit,
Christ fasted in the wilderness.**

Leader: For forty days and forty nights,

**People: we prepare ourselves to meet
the crucified and risen Christ.**

WE PRAISE GOD TOGETHER

***Hymn # 106**

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

Prayer of Confession

Merciful One, we are so easily tempted. We turn away from your word so quickly. We seek anything that claims to save us from discomfort, inconvenience, pain, fear, and emptiness. But these are false idols, dissolving in the wind. You are our true hope and salvation, our hiding place, our guide, our guardian. We confess our transgressions to you: forgive our sins. 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"

Psalter Reading

Psalm 32

L: Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven,
and whose sin is put away!

**P: Happy are they to whom the Lord imputes no guilt,
and in whose spirit there is no guile!**

L: While I held my tongue, my bones withered away,
because of my groaning all day long.

**P: For your hand was heavy upon me day and night;
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.**

L: Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and did not conceal my guilt.
I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord."
Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.

**P: Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of
trouble;
when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.**

L: You are my hiding place; you preserve me from trouble;
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

**P: I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go;
I will guide you with my eye.**

L: Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding;
who must be fitted with bit and bridle,
or else they will not stay near you."

**P: Great are the tribulations of the wicked;
but mercy embraces those who trust in the Lord.**

**All: Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the Lord;
shout for joy, all who are true of heart.**

Time for Children

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Anthem

As the Deer

Nystrom, arr. Wagner

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Scripture Lesson

John 15: 1-4

Pew Bible p. 109- New Testament

Sermon Series
Message

The Great I Ams
"I Am the True Vine"

Dr. Steve Starzer

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***Hymn of Response #346**

O Come to Me, the Master Said

Affirmation of Faith (see insert)

Offering

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

Offertory

As the Deer
Fairfield Ringers

Nystrom, arr. Wagner

***The Doxology #44**

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Closing Hymn # 113**

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

Postlude in F Major

Dmitri Kabalevsky

* Those who are able, please stand.