## FAIRFIELD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

May 7, 2023 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

## WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

**Prelude** Faith of Our Fathers arr. David Paxton

**Chiming of the Hour** 

**Welcome & Announcements** 

**Introit** We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise Dearman

Call to Worship

Leader: We come together as the church;

People: not a building of wood or stone, but a spiritual house.

Leader: We will be the living stones that should praise

even when others are silent.

People: God redeems us, joins us together, and builds up up.

## WE PRAISE GOD TOGETHER

# **Prayer of Confession**

Christ, our way, our truth, our life, you have shown us the way, so clearly and fully. You have not simply told us how to live, you have shown us. But we still don't get it. We do not believe all you have said to us; we do not trust the way you have shown us.

Help us, O God. Forgive us. Open our ears to your truth, open our eyes to your way, and lead us into new life. (*Silent prayer and reflection*) Amen.

### **Words of Assurance**

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

People: Thanks be to God!

Psalm 31: 1-5, 15-16

## **Psalter Reading**

L: In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame; deliver me in your rightousness.

P: Incline your ear to me; make haste to deliver me.

L: Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe, for you are my crag and my stronghold; for the sake of your name, lead me and guide me.

P: Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me, for you are my tower of strength.

L: Into your hands I commend my spirit, for you have redeemed me, O Lord, O God of truth.

P: My times are in your hand; rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.

L: Make your face to shine upon your servant, and in your loving -kindness save me.

**Time for Children**Donna Hohman

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

**Anthem** *Come to the Table of the Lord* Liebergen

#### WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

**Scripture Lesson** 

Mark 9: 21-24 Pew Bible p. 45- New Testament

Sermon SeriesDoubting our DoubtsMessage"Faith is a Gift"Dr. Steve Starzer

#### WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

\*Hymn #413

When Our Confidence Is Shaken

**CWM Rhondda** 

Offering

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

**Offertory** 

Holy Gifts We Offer

James Southbridge

\*The Doxology #44

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

\*Prayer of Dedication

The Lord's Supper (insert)

\*Closing Hymn #530

Faith of Our Fathers

St. Catherine

\*Benediction

\*Postlude

Strong in the Faith

**Edward Broughton** 

<sup>\*</sup> Those who are able, please stand.