

FAIRFIELD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

October 8, 2023

19th Sunday after Pentecost

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude

O God Beyond All Praising

Gustav T. Holst

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome & Announcements

Introit

The Family of God

Gaither

Call to Worship

Leader: Let us come to learn.

People: Let us come to witness.

Leader: Let us come to change.

People: Let us come to repent.

Leader: Let us come to worship.

WE PRAISE GOD TOGETHER

Hymn #148

Come Thou, Almighty King

Italian Hymn

Prayer of Confession

God of the law and the prophets, we do not want to admit all the commandments we have broken. We worship idols of money, success, and power. We use your name to justify whatever we do. We do not honor each other; we covet, we lie, we wish evil upon others. Our sins are too many to name.

Forgive us. Speak to us and we will listen, remembering that you are our freedom and deliverer. *(Silent prayer and reflection)* Amen.

Words of Assurance

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

People: Thanks be to God!

Psalter Reading

Psalm 19

L: The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky proclaims its maker's handiwork.

P: One day tells its tale to another, and one night imparts knowledge to another.

L: Although they have no words or language, and their voices are not heard,
P: their sound has gone out into all lands, and their message to the ends of the world, where God has pitched a tent for the sun.

L: It comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber; it rejoices like a champion to run its course.

P: It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of it again; nothing is hidden from its burning heat.

L: The teaching of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul; the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom to the simple.

P: The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart; the commandment of the Lord is clear and gives light to the eyes.

L: The fear of the Lord is clean and endures forever; the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.

P: More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.

L: By them also is your servant enlightened, and in keeping them there is great reward.

P: Who can detect one's own offenses? Cleanse me from my secret faults.

L: Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.

P: Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

Children's Message

Grayson Palmore

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Anthem

Come Thou Fount

Wyeth, arr. Krogstad

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Scripture Lesson

Genesis 1: 26-27

Pew Bible p. 1 - Old Testament

Sermon Series Message

A Brief Statement of Faith
"Trusting God"

Dr. Steve Starzer

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***Hymn of Response #48** *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

St. Denio

***Affirmation of Faith** (see insert) A Brief Statement of Faith

Offering

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

Offertory

Praise God, Ye Christians, All Together

Dietrich Buxtehude

***The Doxology #44** *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*

*Prayer of Dedication

***Closing Hymn #569**

God of Grace and God of Glory

CWM Rhondda

*Benediction

***Postlude**

Immortal, Invisible

arr. Harold DeCou

* Those who are able, please stand.