

# FAIRFIELD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

November 19, 2023

Stewardship Sunday

## WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

**Prelude**

*We Gather Together*

arr. Lani Smith

**Chiming of the Hour**

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Introit**

*How Majestic Is Your Name*

Smith

**Call to Worship**

L: To you, O God of the heavens, we lift our eyes.

**P: Have mercy on us!**

L: God has been our dwelling place from generation to generation.

**P: Hear us when we call!**

L: From everlasting to everlasting, God is with us.

**P: We will magnify your holy name!**

## WE PRAISE GOD TOGETHER

**\*Hymn #261**

*When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

Hamburg

**Prayer of Confession**

God of abundance, you have given us so many gifts. You bless us with talents, resources, skills, and knowledge, and yet we hide them under a bushel. We hoard these gifts, instead of following you and sharing with those in need. We have been poor stewards of all you have given. Forgive us, and help us grow what we are given, that it might be returned in service to you. (*Silent prayer and reflection*)  
Amen.

**Words of Assurance**

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

**P: Thanks be to God!**

**Psalter Reading**

Psalm 90: 1-12

L: Lord, you have been our refuge from one generation to another.

**P: Before the mountains were brought forth, or the land and the earth were born, from age to age you are God.**

L: You turn us back to the dust and say, "Go back, O child of earth."

**P: For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past and like a watch in the night.**

L: You sweep us away like a dream; we fade away suddenly like the grass.

**P: In the morning it is green and flourishes; in the evening it is dried up and withered.**

L: For we consume away in your displeasure; we are afraid because of your wrathful indignation.

**P: Our iniquities you have set before you, and our secret sins in the light of your countenance.**

L: When you are angry, all our days are gone; we bring our years to an end like a sigh.

**P: The span of our life is seventy years, perhaps in strength even eighty; yet the sum of them is but labor and sorrow, for they pass away quickly and we are gone.**

L: Who regards the power of your wrath? Who rightly fears your indignation?

**P: So teach us to number our days that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.**

**Children's Message**

Anne Young

**Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer**

**Anthem**

*On Eagle's Wings*

Joncas, arr. Wagner

**WE HEAR GOD'S WORD**

**Scripture Lesson**

Matthew 22: 15-22

Pew Bible p. 24- New Testament

## **WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

**\*Hymn #570**      *As Saints of Old Their First-fruits Brought*      Forest Green

**\*Affirmation of Faith**      The Apostles' Creed      (inside Hymnbook)

### **Offering**

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

**Offertory**      *My Tribute*      Andraé Crouch

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

### **\*Presentation of Pledges**

**L:** O God, we give thanks for the harvest of goodness you supply. You feed, heal, teach, and save us. We praise you for your Son, who came to show your love and mercy, and who names us as his own.

**P:** **Gracious God, help us to take such pleasure in your goodness that we will always be thanking you. We dedicate our lives and our offerings to your service.**

**L:** O Holy Spirit, bless these gifts and abide in our hearts so that our gifts and our actions may express our faith. May they glorify God and bring forth a fruitful harvest for the kingdom. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, we pray. Amen.

### **\* Prayer of Dedication**

**\*Closing Hymn #688**      *We Give Thee but Thine Own*      Schumann

### **\*Benediction**

**\*Postlude**      *Now Thank We All our God*      arr. Benjamin M. Culli

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\* Those who are able, please stand.