

FAIRFIELD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

February 18, 2024

1st Sunday in Lent

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude

He Shall Feed His Flock G. F. Handel, arr. Lawrence Grant

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome & Announcements

Minute for Mission

Introit

Lord, We Glorify You

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Call to Worship

L: The praise we come to share is praise of thanksgiving.

P: In our worship, we hold God's love close to our hearts.

L: We desire to surround ourselves with community.

P: As our songs echo, our prayers rise, claiming God as our strength.

WE PRAISE GOD TOGETHER

***Hymn # 446**

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

St. Margaret

Prayer of Confession

You are the creator of the cosmos, and yet you tend to our every need. With your voice you plant the seed of your will in our hearts, where Christ waters it with an unending flow of love and the Spirit tends it as we grow ever stronger in your ways. We pray that, like a seedling, we might reach for the light and stretch our roots deep into the soil of your blessed foundation. (*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 25: 1-10

L: To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul. My God, I put my trust in you;

P: let me not be put to shame, nor let my enemies triumph over me.

L: Let none who look to you be put to shame; rather let those be put to shame who are treacherous.

P: Show me your ways, O Lord, and teach me your paths.

L: Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.

P: Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love, for they are from everlasting.

L: Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; remember me according to your steadfast love and for the sake of your goodness, O Lord.

P: You are gracious and upright, O Lord; therefore you teach sinners in your way.

L: You lead the lowly in justice and teach the lowly your way.

P: All your paths, O Lord, are steadfast love and faithfulness to those who keep your covenant and your testimonies.

Children's Message

Anne Young

Anthem

How Firm a Foundation

arr. Wood

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Scripture Lesson

Mark 6: 30-44

Pew Bible p. 41- New Testament

Message

"Throw Another Potato in the Pot"

Dr. Steve Starzer

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*Hymn # 589

O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

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***Affirmation of Faith**

Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.31

To be reconciled to God
is to be sent into the world
as God's reconciling community.
This community, the church universal,
is entrusted with God's message of reconciliation
and shares God's labor of healing the enmities
which separate people from God and from each other.
Christ has called the church to this mission
and given it the gift of the Holy Spirit.
The church maintains continuity
with the apostles and with Israel by faithful obedience to his call.

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Offering

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

Offertory *The Glory of These Forty Days* arr. Edwin T. Childs

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

*** Prayer of Dedication**

***Closing Hymn #84** *O God, Our Help in Ages Past* St. Anne

***Benediction**

***Postlude** *Trumpet Voluntary* John Bennett

* Those who are able, please stand.