

FAIRFIELD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

February 25, 2024

2nd Sunday in Lent

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude

Hymn Medley #1

Anthony Burger

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome & Announcements

Special Music

We Love

JOY Choir

Introit

Bound for the Kingdom
Fairfield Ringers

arr. Ingram

Call to Worship

L: Every time we gather in God's name, we learn something new.

P: **What will be God's gift of revelation to us today?**

L: We enter this time of worship joyfully, assured of God's new mercies.

P: **Celebrating these blessings to come, we bring our love to God.**

WE PRAISE GOD TOGETHER

***Hymn # 16**

The God of Abraham Praise

Leoni

Prayer of Confession

Lord, you know who we are. You know everything we have done. We thirst for things that will never satisfy us. We commit ourselves to things that will never last. We worship things that will never bring salvation.

Still, you offer us the gift of living water. Still, you offer us the gift of eternal life. Forgive us, O Lord, and give us this living water, so that we may never thirst again. (Silent prayer and reflection) Amen.

Words of Assurance

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

P: Thanks be to God!

*Gloria Patri #734

"Glory Be to the Father"

Greatorex

Psalter Reading

Psalm 22: 23-31

L: You who fear the Lord, give praise! All you of Jacob's line, give glory.
Stand in awe of the Lord, all you offspring of Israel.

P: For the Lord does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty, neither is the Lord's face hidden from them; but when they cry out, the Lord hears them.

L: From you comes my praise in the great assembly; I will perform my vows in the sight of those who fear the Lord.

P: The poor shall eat and be satisfied. Let those who seek the Lord give praise! May your hearts live forever!

L: All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord; all the families of nations shall bow before God.

P: For dominion belongs to the Lord, who rules over the nations.

L: Indeed, all who sleep in the earth shall bow down in worship; all who go down to the dust, though they may be dead, shall kneel before the Lord.

P: Their descendants shall serve the Lord, whom they shall proclaim to generations to come.

All: They shall proclaim God's deliverance to a people yet unborn, saying to them, "The Lord has acted!"

Children's Message

Sarah Dobson

Anthem

Seek the Lord

Carter

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Scripture Lesson

Matthew 9: 9-13

Pew Bible p. 9- New Testament

Message

"The Welcome Table"

Dr. Steve Starzer

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***Hymn # 502**

Be Thou My Vision

Slane

***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

You Raise Me Up
Fairfield Ringers

arr. Eithun

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

*** Prayer of Dedication**

***Closing Hymn #419**

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

Olivet

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

Voluntary #1

Eugene Thayer

* Those who are able, please stand.