

FAIRFIELD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

March 3, 2024

3rd Sunday in Lent

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude

Herzliebster Jesu

Johannes Brahms

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome & Announcements

Introit

Oh, How He Loves You and Me

Mengel

Call to Worship

L: God, you summon the day to dawn, you teach the morning to waken the earth.

P: **Great is your name, great is your love!**

L: For you, the valleys will sing for joy, the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

P: **Great is your name, great is your love!**

L: To you, the monarchs of the earth shall bow, the poor and persecuted shall shout for joy.

P: **Great is your name, great is your love!**

L: Your love and justice shall last forever, fresh as the morning, sure as the sunrise.

P: **Great is your name, great is your love!**

WE PRAISE GOD TOGETHER

***Hymn # 706**

I Come with Joy

Dove of Peace

Unison Prayer of Confession

Christ, our teacher, how quickly we point our fingers at others, not recognizing the fingers pointing right back at us. How quickly we measure and compare our debts, putting values and conditions upon forgiveness. In your great mercy, forgive us, Lord. Free us from short sightedness. Open our hearts and give us faith, that in receiving your forgiveness, we may live lives of joyful response. *(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 95: 1-6

L: O come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

P: Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

L: For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

P: In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also.

L: The sea is his, for he made it, and the dry land, which his hands have formed.

P: O come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

Children's Message

Sarah Dobson

Anthem

We Come as Guests Invited

Hunnicutt

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Scripture Lesson

Luke 7: 36-50

Pew Bible p. 66 -New Testament

Message

"Surprised by Grace"

Rev. Mike Watson

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***Hymn #689**

One Bread, One Body

Offering

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

Offertory

To My Precious Lord

Chung Kwan Park

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

*** Prayer of Dedication**

The Lord's Supper

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Yes, it is right to give you thanks and praise, for the life you lived among us...

In stretching out our hands, may receive, through faith, food for our souls.

We lift our praise with the everlasting chorus of heaven and earth:

Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Words of Institution

Distribution of the Bread and Cup

In passing the bread, those who wish may say, "The body of Christ, broken for you." In passing the cup, you may say, "The blood of Christ, shed for you."

Closing Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

***Closing Hymn #391** *Will You Let Me Be Your Servant*

***Benediction**

***Postlude** *In the Cross of Christ I Glory* arr. John Carter