

FAIRFIELD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

March 10, 2024

4th Sunday in Lent

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude

Lord Jesus, Think on Me

arr. J. Bert Carlson

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome & Announcements

Introit

Oh, How He Loves You and Me

Call to Worship

L: We enter into worship together, reflections of God's glory.

P: **Inspired by God's presence, we gather to join in praise.**

L: In joy, we lift our voices.

P: **With adoration, we express our gratitude.**

WE PRAISE GOD TOGETHER

***Hymn # 66**

To God Be the Glory

Prayer of Confession

Guided by your revelation, we are compelled to seek your wisdom as we continue the Lenten journey. We are filled with awesome wonder that you would love us so, trust us so, and move within us.

Now fill our spirits with hope, humility, and resolve, that we might be your will in the world. Open our hearts to accept this call upon our lives. May our sacred service be pleasing in your sight. (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 107: 1-3, 17-22

L: Give thanks to the Lord, for the Lord is good, for God's mercy endures forever.

P: Let the redeemed of the Lord proclaim that God redeemed them from the hand of the foe,

L: gathering them in from the lands; from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

P: Some were fools and took rebellious paths; through their sins they were afflicted.

L: They loathed all manner of food and drew near to death's door.

P: Then in their trouble they cried to the Lord and you delivered them from their distress.

L: You sent forth your word and healed them and rescued them from the grave.

P: Let them give thanks to you, Lord, for your steadfast love and your wonderful works for all people.

L: Let them offer sacrifices of thanksgiving and tell of your deeds with shouts of joy.

Children's Message

Celeste Underdown

Anthem

Christ in the Stranger's Guise

Bert, arr. Merman

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Scripture Lesson

Luke 14: 7-14 Pew Bible p. 77-New Testament

Message

"Making Room at the Table"

Dr. Steve Starzer

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*Hymn # 358

Love Devine, All Loves Excelling

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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 Feast is Spread

Philip P. Bliss

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

*** Prayer of Dedication**

***Closing Hymn #14**

Now Thank We All Our God

Nun Danket Alle Gott

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

Postlude in G Minor

Edward Broughton

* Those who are able, please stand.