

FAIRFIELD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

April 28, 2024

5th Sunday of Easter

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude

For the Fruit of All Creation

arr. Kristina Langlois

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome & Announcements

Introit

Jesus Loves Me

JOY Choir

Call to Worship

(from Psalms 19 & 24)

L: The heavens declare the glory of God.

P: The firmament proclaims God's handiwork.

L: The plants and trees show God's presence.

P: Let us join with creation in praising God.

L: The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it,

P: the world and those who live in it.

WE PRAISE GOD TOGETHER

***Hymn # 649**

Gather Us In

Prayer of Confession

L: Giver of life, in the midst of a plundered earth

P: we groan with creation: Have mercy on us.

L: Giver of life, in the midst of poisoned water

P: we groan with creation: Have mercy on us.

L: Giver of life, in the midst of polluted air

P: we groan with creation: Have mercy on us.

L: Giver of life, in the midst of mountains of waste

P: we groan with creation: Have mercy on us.

L: Giver of life, in the midst of rising seas,

P: we groan with creation: Have mercy on us. Giver of life, forgive us and make us agents of healing for the good of your creation, through Jesus Christ our Lord we pray. (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 8

L: O Lord our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

P: you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouth of infants and children; you have set us a fortress against your enemies, to silence the foe and avenger.

L: When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,

P: what are mere mortals that you should be mindful of them, human beings that you should care for them?

L: Yet you have made them little less than divine; with glory and honor you crown them.

P: You have made them rule over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet:

L: all flocks and cattle, even the wild beast of the field,

P: the birds of the air, the fish of the sea, and whatever passes along the paths of the sea.

All: O Lord our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Children's Message

Sarah Dobson

Anthem

My Lord is Near With Me All the Time

arr. Wilson

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Scripture Lesson

Galations 6: 1-10 Pew Bible p. 191-New Testament

Sermon Series Creation Care - Within A Garden

(A garden is the place of our beginning and a point of our survival. This is a place where the soil, the water, and the breath of life all come together, with various seeds feeding us as a community, healing our relationship with the land, and sustaining our physical bodies during our time on earth.)

Message “Seeds We Sow?” Rev. Mike Watson

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

***Hymn # 29** *God of the Sparrow* Roeder

***Affirmation of Faith** The Apostles’ Creed (inside Hymnbook)

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer

Offering

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

Offertory *Reap What We Sow* Charles P. Jones

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

*** Prayer of Dedication**

***Closing Hymn #595** *They’ll Know We Are Christians*

***Benediction**

***Postlude** *Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart* arr. Franklin Ritter

* Those who are able, please stand.

This sermon series and all the liturgy was prepared by Kaylyn McGhee to fulfill her project for her seminary internship.