

FAIRFIELD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

July 7, 2024

7th Sunday after Pentecost

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* arr. James Mansfield

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome & Announcements

Introit *Blessed Assurance* Randy & Tracy Green

Call to Worship

L: We ponder your steadfast love, O God,
P: **and our praise reaches to the ends of the earth.**
L: Tell the next generation:
P: **Our God will be our guide forever.**
L: Come, let us rejoice.

WE PRAISE GOD TOGETHER

***Hymn # 501** *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah* CM Rhondda

Unison Prayer of Confession

O Teacher, in Jesus Christ you have shown that even a prophet can be rejected by those who think they know best. Teach us to listen for your word in our midst; let us not be too proud to hear. Open our hearts to those we too easily disregard and the voices we readily exclude. All this we pray through the power of your Holy Spirit. (*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 48

L: Great is the Lord, and highly to be praised, in the city of our God, on the Lord's holy mountain.

P: **Beautiful and lofty, the joy of all the earth, is Mount Zion, the summit of the north and city of the great king.**

L: God is in the citadels of Jerusalem; revealed to be the sure refuge of the city.

P: **Behold, the kings assembled and marched forward together.**

L: As they looked, they were astounded; dismayed, they fled in terror.

P: **Trembling seized them there, they writhed like a woman in childbirth;**

L: with an east wind you shattered them like the ships of Tarshish.

P: **As we have heard, so we have seen, in the city of the Lord of hosts, in the city of our God - may God establish it forever!**

L: In the midst of your temple, O God, we meditate on your steadfast love.

P: **Your praise, like your name, O God, reaches to the ends of the earth; your right hand is full of righteousness.**

L: Let Mount Zion be glad and the towns of Judah rejoice, because of your judgments.

P: **Make the circuit of Zion; walk round about it; count the number of the city's towers.**

L: Consider well its ramparts; examine its strongholds; that you may tell those who come after.

P: **Mark this - God is our God forever and ever, guiding us even to the end.**

Anthem

My Jesus, I Love Thee

Tracy & Randy Green

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Scripture Lesson

Romans 8: 28-30

Pew Bible p. 157 - New Testament

Sermon Series

Eight in Eight

Message

"Justified and Glorified"

Dr. Steve Starzer

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***Hymn #505**

All the Way My Savior Leads Me

Offering

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

Offertory

Softly and Tenderly

Tracy & Randy Green

***The Doxology #44**

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

*** Prayer of Dedication**

The Lord's Supper

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

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.

It is right and our great delight to praise you, O God...

...We praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever, Amen.

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 #502**

Be Thou My Vision

Slane

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

Toccata at Post Communio

Domenico Zipoli

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