

FAIRFIELD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

August 11, 2024

12th Sunday after Pentecost

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude

I Would Be True

arr. Harold DeCou

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome & Announcements

Introit

He Touched Me

Gaither

Call to Worship (from Isaiah 40:21)

L: Have we not known? Have we not heard?

P: Has it not been told to us since the beginning?

L: Those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength;

P: they shall mount up with wings like eagles;

L: they shall run and not be weary;

P: they shall walk and not faint.

WE PRAISE GOD TOGETHER

Hymn #393

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

Dennis

Prayer of Confession

Holy One, in your presence we confess our captivity to sin and resistance to your way. You have chosen what is foolish to shame the wisdom of this world, but we boast in our knowledge and ignore the insights of others. You have chosen what is weak to shame the powers of this world, but we boast in our strength and refuse the gifts of others. You have chosen what is despised to shame the values of this world, but we boast in our merits and reject the worth of others. Forgive us, Holy One. Renew and reshape our lives, that we may live as Christ has shown us. *(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 130: 1-6

L: Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord.

P: **Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!**

L: If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand?

P: **But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered.**

L: I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in his word I hope:

P: **My soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning, more than those who watch for the morning.**

Anthem

Thank You Lord

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Scripture Lesson

Matthew 5: 38-48 Pew Bible p. 5-New Testament

Sermon Series Message

Sermon on the Mount
"Eye for an Eye"

Rev. Mike Watson

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*Hymn #587

Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

Prayer of St. Francis

*Affirmation of Faith

Confession of 1967 (9.07, 9.08)

In Jesus Christ, God was reconciling the world to himself. We confess that Jesus Christ is God with us, the eternal Son of the Father, who became human and lived among us to fulfil the work of reconciliation. We believe that the risen Christ is present in the church by the power of the Holy Spirit to continue and complete his mission. This work of God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, is the foundation of all we say about God, ourselves, and the world.

We believe that in Jesus of Nazareth, true humanity was realized once for all.

Jesus, a Palestinian Jew, lived among his own people and shared human needs, temptations, joys, and sorrows. He expressed the love of God in word and deed and became a brother to all kinds of sinful people. In giving himself for them, he took upon himself the judgment under which all people stand convicted. We believe that God raised him from the dead, indicating him as Messiah and Lord. The victim of sin became victor, and won the victory over sin and death for all.

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Offering

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

Offertory *Kumbaya*

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

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Closing Hymn #118** *Lord of the Dance*

***Benediction**

***Postlude** *Voluntary No. 2* Eugene Thayer

* Those who are able, please stand.

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