

# FAIRFIELD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

March 23, 2025

3rd Sunday in Lent

## WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

**Prelude**

*Blest Be the Tie That Binds*

arr. Roger C. Wilson

**Chiming of the Hour**

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Introit**

*He Has Made Me Glad*

arr. Lamb

**Call to Worship**

L: Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts;

P: **the whole earth is full of God's glory.**

L: What does the Holy One require of us?

P: **To do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with our God.**

L: From the rising of the sun to its setting

P: **The Lord's name is great among the nations.**

## WE PRAISE GOD TOGETHER

**\*Hymn # 544**

*The Church's One Foundation*

Aurelia

**Unison Prayer of Confession**

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love. We have not loved our neighbors, and we have refused to hear the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience; through Jesus Christ our Lord, *(Silent prayers of confession)* Amen.

**Words of Assurance**

L: Friends, in Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven!

P: **Thanks be to God!**

**\*Gloria Patri #733**

*"Glory Be to the Father"*

Meineke

**Psalter Reading**

Psalm 16

**L:** Protect me, O God, for in you I take refuge.

**P:** **I say to the Lord, "You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you."**

**L:** As for the holy ones in the land, they are the noble, in whom is all my delight.

**P:** **Those who choose another god multiply their sorrows; their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out or take their names upon my lips.**

**L:** The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot.

**P:** **The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; I have a goodly heritage.**

**L:** I bless the Lord who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me.

**P:** **I keep the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.**

**L:** Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices; my body also rests secure.

**P:** **For you do not give me up to Sheol, or let your faithful one see the Pit.**

**L:** You show me the path of life. In your presence there is fullness of joy; in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

**Anthem**

*Fall, Slow Tears*

arr. Schram

**WE HEAR GOD'S WORD**

**Scripture Lesson**

John 17: 20-26

Pew Bible p. 111- New Testament

**Sermon Series**  
**Message**

From Wilderness to Glory  
"Jesus in Prayer"

Rev. Mike Watson

**WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

**\*Hymn # 469**

*Lord of All Hopefulness*

*Slane*

**\*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**      *I'm Just a Poor Wayfaring Stranger*      arr. Waldrop

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

**\* Prayer of Dedication**

**\*Closing Hymn #481**      *Every Time I Feel the Spirit*

**\*Benediction**

**\*Postlude**      *Brethren, We Have Met to Worship*      arr. Franklin Ritter

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\* Those who are able, please stand.