

FAIRFIELD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

April 27, 2025

2nd Sunday of Easter

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude

Alleluia! Alleluia!

arr. Harold DeCou

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome & Announcements

Introit

Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna!

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Call to Worship

L: Hallelujah! Praise the Lord!

P: **Praise God in God's sanctuary!**

L: Hallelujah! Praise the Lord!

P: **Praise God for God's mighty deeds!**

Praise God according to God's surpassing greatness!

L: Hallelujah! Praise the Lord!

P: **Let everything that breathes praise the Lord! Hallelujah!**

L: Let us worship God!

WE PRAISE GOD TOGETHER

***Hymn # 291**

Alleluia No. 1

Unison Prayer of Confession

Risen Lord, we come to you in prayer knowing that we are a resurrection people, yet so often we live as if that promise isn't true. We are hesitant to step out in faith. We avoid moments when we can share our faith story. We weave our doubts into our prayers. And forget that you are always with us; living in our hearts. Forgive your people. Fill us with faith. Empower us to be resurrection people, so that when others see us, they will see the Risen Lord at work through us. Let our witness inspire, our testimony turn heads, and let our faith be emboldened with the Easter promises. Hear us in our quiet thoughts, O 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 147: 1-7

L: Hallelujah! How good it is to sing praises to our God! How pleasant it is to honor God with praise!

P: The Lord rebuilds Jerusalem, and gathers the exiles of Israel.

L: The Lord heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.

P: The Lord counts the number of the stars and calls them all by their names.

L: Great is our Lord and mighty in power; there is no limit to God's wisdom.

P: The Lord lifts up the lowly, but casts the wicked to the ground.

L: Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; make music upon the harp to our God,

P: who covers the heavens with clouds and prepares rain for the earth, making grass to grow up on the mountains.

Anthem

He Lives on High

Coleman

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Scripture Lesson

John 20: 24-39

Pew Bible p. 61- New Testament

Message

"Why the Scars?"

Rev. Dr. Keith Curran

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***Hymn # 254**

Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley

***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 *We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight* arr. James Biery

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

*** Prayer of Dedication**

***Closing Hymn #257** *What Wondrous Love is This*

***Benediction**

***Postlude** *Easter Fanfare and Chorale* Thomas Chesterton

* Those who are able, please stand.