

FAIRFIELD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

April 19, 2026

3rd Sunday of Easter

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude *Go, My Children, With My Blessing* arr. Kristina Langlois

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome & Announcements

Introit *Alleluia, Alleluia*

Call to Worship

L: How precious is your steadfast love, O God!

P: All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

L: They feast on the abundance of your house,

P: and you give them drink from the river of your delights.

L: For with you is the fountain of life;

P: in your light we see light.

WE PRAISE GOD TOGETHER

***Opening Hymn #310** *Thine Is the Glory*

Unison Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, you shattered the power of sin and death. We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. We overlook the poor and the hungry, and pass by those who mourn; we are deaf to the cries of the oppressed, and indifferent to calls for peace; we despise the weak, and abuse the earth you made. Forgive us, God of mercy. Help us to trust your power to change our lives and make us new, that we may know the joy of life abundant given in Jesus Christ, the risen 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 75:1-6

L: We give you thanks, O God, we give you thanks, calling upon your name and declaring all your wonderful deeds.

P: "I will appoint a time," says God; "I will judge with equity."

L: Through the earth and all its inhabitants crumble, I will make its pillars fast.

P: I will say to the boasters, 'Boast no more,' and to the wicked, 'Do not lift your horns;

L: do not lift your horns so high, nor speak with a proud neck."

P: For exaltation comes neither from the east nor from the west, nor does it come from the wilderness.

Anthem

I Stand Amazed

Gabriel

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Gospel Reading

John 20: 20-25

Pew Bible p. 116- New Testament

Message

"Who Jesus Loves"

Rev. Mike Watson

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Affirmation of Faith

excerpts from A Brief Statement of Faith

We trust in Jesus Christ, Fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

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

Offertory

That Easter Day with Joy was Bright

arr. Edwin T. Childs

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

*** Prayer of Dedication**

***Closing Hymn # 713** *Send Me, Jesus*

***Benediction**

***Postlude** *Easter Recessional* *Cyrus S. Mallard*

* Those who are able, please stand.