

FAIRFIELD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

October 4, 2026

World Communion Sunday

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

arr. Roger C. Wilson

Chiming of the Hour

Introit

Fruit of the Spirit

Joy Choir

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

Psalm 117

L: Praise the Lord, all you nations;

P: **Extol him, all you peoples.**

L: For great is his love toward us,

P: **The faithfulness of the Lord endures forever.**

Praise the Lord!

WE PRAISE GOD TOGETHER

Opening Prayer

***Opening Hymn # 136** *Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!*

Unison Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. We look at a world undone by strife, torn by violence, separated by hatred. Yet you call us to walk the way of peace. Forgive us, O Lord, for refusing to follow you on this path because the cost is too high, the direction too confusing, the conditions too harsh. Forgive us our complacency. Grant us clarity of vision to see the light, and the strength to walk behind you. In the power of your Spirit we pray, (*Silent prayers of confession*) Amen.

Words of Assurance

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

P: **Thanks be to God!**

Response to Forgiveness - Gloria Patri #733 *"Glory Be to the Father"*

Psalter Reading

Psalm 72: 1-4, 8-11, 18-19

L: Give the king your justice, O God, and your righteous to a king's son.

P: **May he judge your people with righteousness, and your poor with justice.**

L: May the mountains yield prosperity for the people, and the hills, in righteousness.

P: **May he defend the cause of the poor, give deliverance to the needy, and crush the oppressor.**

L: May he have dominion from sea to sea, and from the river to the ends of the earth.

P: **May his foes bow down before him, and his enemies lick the dust.**

L: May the kings of Tarshish and of the isles render him tribute, may the kings of Sheba and Seba bring gifts.

P: **May all kings fall down before him, all nations give him service.**

L: Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, who alone does wondrous things.

P: **Blessed be his glorious name for ever; may his glory fill the whole earth. Amen and Amen.**

Children's Message

Angela Blue

Anthem (insert)

Hineh Ma Tov

Praise Band

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Scripture Lesson

Psalm 133

Pew Bible p. 575 (Old Test.)

Message

"How Good It Is"

Rev. Nancy Clark

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*Hymn of Response # 689 *One Bread, One Body*

The Lords' Supper

Invitation

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 greatest joy...

...All singing the hymn of the whole of the whole creation:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord...

...Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit...

...almighty God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Distribution of the Elements

(Bread and cup will be passed down each aisle)

Communion Anthem

I am the Bread of Life

Adult Choir

Closing Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

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

Offertory

How Beautiful the Sight

English Melody

*** The Doxology #44**

Praise God from Whom All Blessing Flow

*** Prayer of Dedication**

***Closing Song**

He Reigns

Praise Band

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

Trumpet Voluntary

William Goodwin

***Please stand**