FAIRFIELD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

November 1, 2026 — 23rd Sunday after Pentecost

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude *Sing Praise to God* arr. Edward Broughton

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome & Announcements

Introit *Come, Sing to the Lord*

Call to Worship from Psalm 67

L: May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face shine on us,
P: so that your ways may be known on earth, your salvation among all nations.
L: May the peoples praise you, God; may all the peoples praise you.
P: May the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you rule the peoples with equity and guide the nations of the earth.

WE PRAISE GOD TOGETHER

***Hymn** # 48 *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

Unison Prayer of Confession

God who created and rules this world - we come to you in humility and trust, seeking your grace and mercy. Instead of trusting you, we put our confidence in the transient strength of human empires, political might, and self-preservation, while treating your sovereign love with indifference or contempt. Forgive us, Lord, for failing to place you first in our lives, for not following Jesus Christ, for not letting the Holy Spirit move among us. In your mercy, break our stubborness, melt our pride, and teach us to serve you wholeheartedly. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, we pray. *(Silent prayer and 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 96

L: O sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth.
P: Sing to the Lord, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day.
L: Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples.
P: For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised; He is to be revered above all gods.
L: For all the gods of the peoples are idols, but the Lord make the heavens.
P: Honor and majesty are before him, strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.

Anthem *Now Let Us All Praise God and Sing* Young

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Scripture Lesson Psalm 2 Pew Bible p. 489 Old Test.

Message "God of the Nations" Rev. Mike Watson

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***Hymn** # 704 *We Meet as Friends at Table*

Affirmation of Faith (see end of bulletin)

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

Offertory *Dona Nobis Pacem* anonymous

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

*** Prayer of Dedication**

The Lord's Supper

***Closing Hymn** #507 *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

***Benediction**

***Postlude** *Postlude on "For the Healing of the Nations"* arr. Alec Rowley

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* Those who are able, please stand.

Affirmation of Faith (From the Barmen Declaration)

8.11 Jesus Christ, as he is attested for us in Holy Scripture, is the one Word of God which we have to hear and which we have to trust and obey in life and in death.
8.12 We reject the false doctrine that the Church could and would have to acknowledge as a source of its proclamation, apart from and besides this one Word of God, still other events and powers, figures and truths, as God's revelation.
8.14 As Jesus Christ is God's assurance of the forgiveness of all our sins, so, in the same vigour, he is also God's mighty claim upon our whole life. Through him befalls us a joyful deliverance from the godless fetters of this world for a free, grateful service to his creatures.
8.15 We reject the false doctrine that there could be areas of our life in which we would not belong to Jesus Christ, but to other lords — areas in which we would not need justification and sanctification through him.