



Fairfield Presbyterian Church

PCA

For I am not ashamed of the Gospel...Romans 1:16

Celebration of Worship

June 8, 2025

Prelude

The Prelude is a time to begin transitioning from fellowshiping with our neighbors to preparing our hearts to worship God.

Please adjust all electronic devices so as not to interrupt the service.

Welcome and Announcements

Welcome to all our visitors. Please fill out the guest registration to let us know of your visit.

Silent Prayer of Preparation for Worship

We beseech You, Almighty God, look upon the hearty desires of Your humble servants, and as You have enlightened us with the knowledge of Your truth, so enable us to walk as children of the light, and to have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness; that bringing forth the fruits of the Spirit, in all goodness, righteousness, and truth, we may be ever under Your Divine protection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

I Will Enter His Gates

I will enter His gates
With thanksgiving in my heart
I will enter His courts with praise
I will say this is the day
That the Lord has made
I will rejoice, For He has made me glad

He has made me glad, He has made me glad
I will rejoice for, He has made me glad
He has made me glad, He has made me glad
I will rejoice for, He has made me glad

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

Call to Worship

(from Psalm 95)

Pastor: Oh come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

All: Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

Pastor: For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

All: In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also.

Pastor: The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.

All: Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

Pastor: For he is our God,

All: ...and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

***Invocation and Adoration**

The invocation should acknowledge that our worship is in vain if it is not Spirit-inspired. Often, the invocation will also employ the language of adoration and praise, which is very fitting in light of the vertical, God-focused dimension of this prayer.

***Worship in Song**

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O Jehovah, Hear My Words

(Psalm 5, The Psalter, 1912)

Public Confession of Sin

Leader: Almighty and Merciful Father, you have called us to be your people and have made us one body. Yet we have not lived like we are one body.

All: We have not loved one another as we ought. Selfish ambition has gripped us, and we have failed to look out for others' interests above our own. Conceit has gripped us, and we have failed to associate with and care for those who are different from ourselves. We have not treated one another as those in whom Christ dwells.

Forgive us for our offenses against you and go on to subdue everything in us that is contrary to your purposes. By the power of your Spirit make us a community that shows forth your acceptance, kindness and love. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Silent Prayer of Confession

Comfort and Assurance of the Gospel

For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving, abounding in steadfast love to all who call upon you. ~ Psalm 86:5

Corporate Confession of Faith

Creedal Form from Westminster Standards

I believe man's chief purpose is to glorify God, and to enjoy him forever.

I believe God is a Spirit, infinite, eternal and unchangeable in his being, wisdom, power, holiness, justice, goodness, and truth;

I believe there is but one true and living God; that there are three persons in the God-head: the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit; and that these three are one God, the same in substance, equal in power and glory;

I believe God has foreordained whatever comes to pass; that God made all things of nothing, by the word of his power, in the space of six days, and all very good; and that God preserves and governs all his creatures and all their actions.

I believe our first parents, though created in knowledge, righteousness, and holiness, sinned against God, by eating the forbidden fruit; and that their fall brought mankind into an estate of sin and misery;

I believe God determined, out of his mere good pleasure, to deliver his elect out of the estate of sin and misery, and to bring them into an estate of salvation by a Redeemer;

I believe the only Redeemer of God's elect is the Lord Jesus Christ, who, being the eternal Son of God, became man, and so was, and continues to be, God and man in two distinct natures, and one person, forever;

I believe Christ, as our Redeemer, executes the office of a prophet, of a priest, and of a king.

I believe Christ as our Redeemer underwent the miseries of this life, the wrath of God, the cursed death of the cross and burial; He arose again from the dead on the third day, ascended up into heaven, sits at the right hand of God, the Father and is coming to judge the world at the last day.

PETITIONING GOD'S PROVIDENCE

Testimony of God's Work

Prayers of God's People

(The pastor will lead us in prayer, reading submitted praises and requests)

ADORING GOD'S GLORY

Public Reading of Scripture

Judges 11:1-11

(Lectio Continua – the practice of reading Scripture in sequence)

Scripture Context:

The need for a Greater Deliverer becomes more and more evident

Now Jephthah the Gileadite was a mighty warrior, but he was the son of a prostitute. Gilead was the father of Jephthah. ² And Gilead's wife also bore him sons. And when his wife's sons grew up, they drove Jephthah out and said to him, "You shall not have an inheritance in our father's house, for you are the son of another woman." ³ Then Jephthah fled from his brothers and lived in the

* Indicates please stand if able.

land of Tob, and worthless fellows collected around Jephthah and went out with him.⁴ After a time the Ammonites made war against Israel.⁵ And when the Ammonites made war against Israel, the elders of Gilead went to bring Jephthah from the land of Tob.⁶ And they said to Jephthah, "Come and be our leader, that we may fight with the Ammonites."⁷ But Jephthah said to the elders of Gilead, "Did you not hate me and drive me out of my father's house? Why have you come to me now when you are in distress?"⁸ And the elders of Gilead said to Jephthah, "That is why we have turned to you now, that you may go with us and fight with the Ammonites and be our head over all the inhabitants of Gilead."⁹ Jephthah said to the elders of Gilead, "If you bring me home again to fight with the Ammonites, and the LORD gives them over to me, I will be your head."¹⁰ And the elders of Gilead said to Jephthah, "The LORD will be witness between us, if we do not do as you say."¹¹ So Jephthah went with the elders of Gilead, and the people made him head and leader over them. And Jephthah spoke all his words before the LORD at Mizpah.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord!

All: *Thanks be to God.*

The Giving of First Fruits

Honor the LORD with your wealth and with the firstfruits of all your produce;¹⁰ then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine. ~Proverbs 3:9-10

***The Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him all creatures
here below; praise Him above ye heavenly hosts; praise Father,
Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***Prayer of Thanks and Dedication**

***Worship in Song**

Across the Lands

You're the Word of God the Father

* Indicates please stand if able.

From before the world began.
Ev'ry star and ev'ry planet
Has been fashioned by Your hand.
All creation holds together
By the power of Your voice.
Let the skies declare Your glory;
Let the land and seas rejoice!

CHORUS

**You're the Author of creation;
You're the Lord of ev'ry man;
And Your cry of love rings out across the lands.**

Yet You left the gaze of angels,
Came to seek and save the lost,
And exchanged the joy of heaven
For the anguish of a cross.
With a prayer You fed the hungry;
With a word You calmed the sea;
Yet how silently You suffered
That the guilty may go free!

CHORUS

With a shout You rose victorious,
Wresting vict'ry from the grave,
And ascended into heaven,
Leading captives in Your way.
Now You stand before the Father,
Interceding for Your own;
From each tribe and tongue and nation,
You are leading sinners home!

CHORUS

May The Peoples Praise You

Verse 1

You have called us out of darkest night
Into Your glorious light
That we may sing the wonders of
The risen Christ

Verse 2

May our every breath retell the grace
That broke into our strife
With boundless love and deepest joy
With endless life

Chorus

**May the peoples praise You
Let the nations be glad
All Your blessing comes
That we may praise
May praise the Name of Jesus**

Verse 3

All the earth is Yours and all within
Each harvest is Your own
And from Your hand we give to You
To make Christ known

Verse 4

May the seeds of mercy grow in us
For those who have not heard
May songs of praise build lives of grace
To spread Your Word

Chorus

Verse 5

This our holy priv'lege to declare
Your praises and Your name
To every nation tribe and tongue
Your church proclaims

Chorus

**May the peoples praise You
Let the nations be glad
All Your blessing comes
That we may praise
May praise the Name of Jesus**

Bridge

Holy Holy is the Lord Almighty
Worthy worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Holy Holy is the Lord Almighty
All creation praise Your glorious Name

Chorus

May the peoples praise You
Let the nations be glad
All Your blessing comes
That we may praise
May praise the Name of Jesus
(repeat)

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Faithful Men

Come and join the reapers
All the kingdom seekers

Laying down your life to
Find it in the end
Come and share the harvest
Help to light the darkness
For the Lord is calling faithful men

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PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading & Prayer of Illumination

Sermon Text: **John 4:31-42**

Preaching of the Word

God's World Harvest

***Closing Hymn** **443**

Hark! The Voice of Jesus Crying

***Benediction**

Just as God has the first word in worship, he also has the last word. For those who are in Christ Jesus, these are always words of blessing. We look up and extend our hands out in a posture of receiving the blessing of God.

Postlude

* Indicates please stand if able.

Memory Verse of the Week:

1 John 5:11-12 And this is the testimony, that God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son.¹² Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

Announcements



Photographs for the church directory are currently in the process. If your last name begins with letters A-O, please see Abigail Weaver to have your picture taken.



VBS is June 16th-20th from 9AM-noon. We are grateful to all the volunteers and ask you continue to pray for this event. Pray that the children coming would come to know Jesus. Pray for all the volunteers and good weather. Most importantly pray GOD'S WORD would be proclaimed. There are spots available. You can register on the church website at fairfieldpca.com.