



Fairfield
Presbyterian
Church
PCA

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

Celebration of Worship

April 12, 2026

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.

Memory Verse of the Week – Ephesians 1:4-5

⁴even as He chose us in him before the foundation of the world, we should be holy and blameless before him. In love ⁵he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will,

Silent Prayer of Preparation for Worship

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

Choral Introit

He Is Lord

He is Lord He is Lord, He is risen from the dead
And He is Lord
Ev'ry knee shall bow, Ev'ry tongue confess
That Jesus Christ is Lord

Call to Worship

from Psalm 145

Pastor: I will exalt you, my God the King; I will praise your name forever and ever.

People: *Every day I will praise you and extol your name forever and ever.*

Pastor: Great is the LORD and most worthy of praise; his greatness no one can fathom.

People: *One generation will commend your works to another; they will tell of your mighty acts.*

* Indicates please stand if able.

Pastor: They will speak of the glorious splendor of your majesty, and I will meditate on your wonderful works.

People: *They will tell of the power of your awesome works, and I will proclaim your great deeds.*

Pastor: They will celebrate your abundant goodness and joyfully sing of your righteousness.

ALL: *The LORD is gracious and compassionate; slow to anger and rich in love. The LORD is good to all; he has compassion on all he has made.*

***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 Worship the King

(based on Psalm 104)

Vss. 1-4

(You may be seated)

Public Confession of Sin

All: Our Father, we are sinful and you are holy. We recognize that we have heard in your Law difficult words, knowing how often we have offended you in thought, word and deed, not only by obvious violations, but by failing to conform to its perfect commands, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. There is nothing in us that gives us reason for hope, for where we thought we were well, we are sick in soul. Where we thought we were holy, we are in truth unholy and ungrateful. Our hearts are filled with the love of the world; our minds are dark and are assailed by doubts; our wills are too often given to selfishness and our bodies to laziness and unrighteousness. By sinning against our neighbors, we have also sinned against you, in whose image they were created. Please forgive us for Christ's sake. Amen.

Silent Prayer of Confession

Comfort and Assurance of the Gospel

For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; *it is* the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast. ***Ephesians 2.8-9***

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A Response of Praise

(This is a response of praise in song to the good news that all who have believed in Jesus for salvation have the assurance that God has forgiven our sins)

The Steadfast Love of the Lord

*The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases
His mercies never come to an end
They are new every morning
New every morning
Great is Thy faithfulness O Lord
Great is Thy faithfulness*

Corporate Confession of Faith –

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell.¹ The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy universal² church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

¹ Some versions of the Creed omit this phrase; it was inserted to affirm the reality of Christ's physical death;

² Traditionally "catholic;" it comes from the Greek word "katholikos" which means universal. To avoid confusion with the Roman Catholic church we have substituted the word universal

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

1 Samuel 4:1-11

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

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Scripture Context:

The word of the LORD that had been spoken by Samuel is about to be fulfilled.

And the word of Samuel came to all Israel. Now Israel went out to battle against the Philistines. They encamped at Ebenezer, and the Philistines encamped at Aphek.² The Philistines drew up in line against Israel, and when the battle spread, Israel was defeated by the Philistines, who killed about four thousand men on the field of battle.³ And when the troops came to the camp, the elders of Israel said, "Why has the LORD defeated us today before the Philistines? Let us bring the ark of the covenant of the LORD here from Shiloh, that it may come among us and save us from the power of our enemies."⁴ So the people sent to Shiloh and brought from there the ark of the covenant of the LORD of hosts, who is enthroned on the cherubim. And the two sons of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas, were there with the ark of the covenant of God.⁵ As soon as the ark of the covenant of the LORD came into the camp, all Israel gave a mighty shout, so that the earth resounded.⁶ And when the Philistines heard the noise of the shouting, they said, "What does this great shouting in the camp of the Hebrews mean?" And when they learned that the ark of the LORD had come to the camp,⁷ the Philistines were afraid, for they said, "A god has come into the camp." And they said, "Woe to us! For nothing like this has happened before.⁸ Woe to us! Who can deliver us from the power of these mighty gods? These are the gods who struck the Egyptians with every sort of plague in the wilderness."⁹ Take courage, and be men, O Philistines, lest you become slaves to the Hebrews as they have been to you; be men and fight."¹⁰ So the Philistines fought, and Israel was defeated, and they fled, every man to his home. And there was a very great slaughter, for there fell of Israel thirty thousand foot soldiers.¹¹ And the ark of God was captured, and the two sons of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas, died.

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**

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***Worship in Song**

Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me

Verse 1

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer
There is no more for heaven now to give
He is my joy my righteousness and freedom
My steadfast love my deep and boundless peace
To this I hold my hope is only Jesus
For my life is wholly bound to his
Oh how strange and divine I can sing all is mine
Yet not I but through Christ in me

Verse 2

The night is dark but I am not forsaken
For by my side the Saviour he will stay
I labour on in weakness and rejoicing
For in my need his power is displayed
To this I hold my Shepherd will defend me
Through the deepest valley he will lead
Oh the night has been won and I shall overcome
Yet not I but through Christ in me

Verse 3

No fate I dread I know I am forgiven
The future sure the price it has been paid
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon
And he was raised to overthrow the grave
To this I hold my sin has been defeated
Jesus now and ever is my plea
Oh the chains are released I can sing I am free
Yet not I but through Christ in me

Verse 4

With every breath I long to follow Jesus
For he has said that he will bring me home
And day by day I know he will renew me
Until I stand with joy before the throne
To this I hold my hope is only Jesus
All the glory evermore to him
When the race is complete still my lips shall repeat
Yet not I but through Christ in me

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Ending
When the race is complete still my lips shall repeat
Yet not I but through Christ in me
Yet not I but through Christ in me

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I Will Sing the Wondrous Story

1 I will sing the wondrous story, of the Christ who died for me,
how he left the realms of glory, for the cross on Calvary.

Refrain:

**Yes, I'll sing the wondrous story of the Christ who died for me,
sing it with the saints in glory, gathered by the crystal sea.**

2 I was lost: but Jesus found me, found the sheep that went astray,
raised me up and gently led me back into the narrow way.

[Refrain]

3 Faint was I, and fears possessed me, bruised was I from many a fall;
hope was gone, and shame distressed me: but his love has pardoned all.

[Refrain]

4 Days of darkness still may meet me, sorrow's path I oft may tread;
but his presence still is with me, by his guiding hand I'm led.

[Refrain]

5 He will keep me till the river rolls its waters at my feet:
then he'll bear me safely over, made by grace for glory meet.

[Refrain]

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PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading & Prayer of Illumination

Sermon Text:

John 10:11-21

Preaching of the Word

The Good Shepherd

***Closing Hymn**

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Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

***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

Sermon Notes
John 10:11-21
The Good Shepherd

1 The _____ of Good Shepherd, 11-13

2 The _____ of Good Shepherd, 14-18

3 The _____ to the Good Shepherd, 19-21

Announcements



Building for the Future! As we begin our building campaign for a new church fellowship hall that will expand ministry opportunities, please prayerfully consider if God would have you give above your regular tithe or offering. (2 Cor. 9:7)



Fairfield ladies-Immediately following this Sunday's worship service, there will be a short meeting for those who wish to help with Sarah Stevens' baby shower on May 16th. We will meet in Room 3.



There is a scheduled **church work day on Saturday, Apr. 25th at 8 AM.** Men are requested to bring heavy rakes to clear stumps and the play area. Women are requested to clean indoors...wash walls, baseboards, and windows, and dusting, etc...See Doug Wassmer for additional questions.



JAY E. ADAMS

Join us every Sunday morning at 9:30 AM for adult Sunday school. We are currently studying **"From Forgiven to Forgiving"** by Jay Adams.

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This Week at Fairfield Presbyterian Church

Monday, April 13 – Sunday, April 19

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4 PM.....Building Committee Meeting

Tuesday – April 14

6 PM.....ESL Class

Wednesday – April 15

5:15 PM.....Church-wide Dinner

6 PM.....Bible Study & Prayer

6 PM.....Catechism Class

Thursday – April 16

9 AM.....Homeschool Co-op

Sunday – April 19

9:30 AM.....Sunday School

10:15 AM.....Coffee & Fellowship Time

10: 45 AM.....Worship Service

"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." Matthew 28:19-20

Our Missionaries Around the World

Chris & Savanna*	Europe
Julian & Rachel*	Belgium
Franklin & Beth*	Persian Ministry
Dorothy Anderson.....	Germany
John & Lu Elliott.....	Costa Rica
Donny & Courtney Harwood.....	Scotland
Kelly & Caroline Jackson.....	RUF & FSU
Jim & Claudia Jung.....	Australasia
Patrick & Regina Lennox.....	Native Americans
Brett & Valerie McAlpin.....	England
George & Susan Sayour.....	Ministry to State
Robert & Lisa Stewart.....	Japan
Raimo & Annemari Survo.....	Finland
Cosmo & Susette Tomaselli.....	Romania & Moldova
ThirdMill.....	Worldwide Ministry
Tom & Teresa Wilson.....	Japan

*These missionaries have requested their last names not be identified.

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WELCOME

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to all who will come, this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Please let the Pastor or one of the elders know if you have any questions, are interested in membership, a visit, or a call. You may also indicate your interest on the attendance registration form.

- ❖ All babies and children are welcome and encouraged to remain in the Sanctuary with their parents, if so desired. If you feel that you need to take your baby or older children out for any reason, a “Cry Room” is available where you may still hear the Worship Service – our Church Library – Door #1 or #4 on the left as you leave the Sanctuary.
- ❖ We also have a nursery available if necessary for children through age 4 for your assistance. They are located in the northeast corner of the Education Wing. An usher will be glad to assist you if you should need any help.
- ❖ Restrooms are located in the north hallway of the Education Wing. A water fountain is located between the restrooms.

Our Vision: Fairfield Presbyterian Church is committed to sharing God’s love by evangelizing, equipping and sending disciples of Jesus into Pensacola and the world.

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Our Session: Ralph LaGuardia, Ricky Wells, Lew Bacchieri, Ken Peebles, and Joe Taverniti

Our Deacons: Doug Wassmer, Byron Bauer, Matt Bacchieri, Steven Domoslay, Paul Milne, Corey Weaver, Brandon White, and Winford Wilson.

2026 - Tithes and Offerings

Weekly General, Building, etc. budgeted amount	\$ 3321.62
General, Building, etc. amount given last week	\$ 4440.75
Weekly Missions budgeted amount	\$ 615.38
Missions amount given last week	\$ 280.00
Current Building Expansion Value as of 4/10/2026	\$ 406,745.80

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