



Fairfield Presbyterian Church

PCA

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

Celebration of Worship

May 10, 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 – Deuteronomy 6:4-5

"Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one.⁵ You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might.

Silent Prayer of Preparation for Worship

Blessed Lord, whose only Son our Savior Jesus Christ has once suffered for our sins, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to You our God: We beseech You, that as we are baptized into His death, so by continually mortifying our corrupt affections we may be buried with Him; and at last through the grave, and gate of death, pass to our joyful resurrection: For His merits, who died, and was buried, and rose again, Your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

Choral Introit

More Precious Than Silver

Lord You are, More precious than silver
Lord You are More costly than gold
Lord You are More beautiful than diamonds
And nothing I desire Compares with You

Call to Worship

from Psalm 146

Pastor: Praise the Lord, O my soul. I will sing praise to my God as long as I live.

All: *Blessed is he whose hope is in the Lord his God, the maker of heaven and earth, the sea and everything in them: the Lord, who remains faithful forever.*

Pastor: He upholds the cause of the oppressed and gives food to the hungry. The Lord sets prisoners free, the Lord gives sight to the

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blind, the Lord lifts up those that are bowed down, the Lord loves the righteous.

All: ***The Lord watches over the alien and sustains the fatherless and the widow but he frustrates the ways of the wicked. The Lord reigns forever. Praise the Lord!***

***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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Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah, O My Soul

(from Psalm 146)

Public Confession of Sin

All: *Almighty and most merciful Father, we are thankful that your mercy is higher than the heavens, wider than our wanderings, deeper than all our sin.*

Forgive our frivolous attitude toward life, our callousness toward suffering, our envy of those who have more than we have, our obsession with creating a life of constant pleasure, our indifference to the treasures of heaven, our neglect of your wise and gracious law.

Help us to change our way of life so that we may desire what is good, love what you love, and do what you command, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Silent Prayer of Confession

Comfort and Assurance of the Gospel

Christ Himself bore our sins in His body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness... ~ 1 Peter 2:24

A Response of Praise

Tune: Regent Square

Glory be to him who loved us, washed us from each spot and stain;

glory be to him who bought us, made us kings with him to reign;

glory, glory, glory, glory,

to the Lamb that once was slain!

Corporate Confession of Faith –

(The Ligonier Statement on Christology)

We confess the mystery and wonder of God made flesh and rejoice in our great salvation through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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With the Father and the Holy Spirit, the Son created all things, sustains all things, and makes all things new. Truly God, He became truly man, two natures in one person.

He was born of the Virgin Mary and lived among us. Crucified, dead, and buried, He rose on the third day, ascended to heaven, and will come again in glory and judgment.

For us, He kept the Law, atoned for sin, and satisfied God's wrath. He took our filthy rags and gave us His righteous robe.

He is our Prophet, Priest, and King, building His church, interceding for us, and reigning over all things.

Jesus Christ is Lord; we praise His holy Name forever. Amen.

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 6:10-21

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

Scripture Context:

Yahweh providentially returns the ark to Israel

The men did so and took two milk cows and yoked them to the cart and shut up their calves at home.¹¹ And they put the ark of the LORD on the cart and the box with the golden mice and the images of their tumors.¹² And the cows went straight in the direction of Beth-shemesh along one highway, lowing as they went. They turned neither to the right nor to the left, and the lords of the Philistines went after them as far as the border of Beth-shemesh.¹³ Now the people of Beth-shemesh were reaping their wheat harvest in the valley. And when they lifted up their eyes and saw the ark, they rejoiced to see it.¹⁴ The cart came into the field of Joshua of Beth-shemesh and stopped there. A great stone was there. And they split up the wood of the cart and offered the cows as a burnt offering to the LORD.¹⁵ And the Levites took down the ark of the LORD and the

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box that was beside it, in which were the golden figures, and set them upon the great stone. And the men of Beth-shemesh offered burnt offerings and sacrificed sacrifices on that day to the LORD. ¹⁶ And when the five lords of the Philistines saw it, they returned that day to Ekron. ¹⁷ These are the golden tumors that the Philistines returned as a guilt offering to the LORD: one for Ashdod, one for Gaza, one for Ashkelon, one for Gath, one for Ekron, ¹⁸ and the golden mice, according to the number of all the cities of the Philistines belonging to the five lords, both fortified cities and unwallled villages. The great stone beside which they set down the ark of the LORD is a witness to this day in the field of Joshua of Beth-shemesh. ¹⁹ And he struck some of the men of Beth-shemesh, because they looked upon the ark of the LORD. He struck seventy men of them, and the people mourned because the LORD had struck the people with a great blow. ²⁰ Then the men of Beth-shemesh said, "Who is able to stand before the LORD, this holy God? And to whom shall he go up away from us?" ²¹ So they sent messengers to the inhabitants of Kiriath-jearim, saying, "The Philistines have returned the ark of the LORD. Come down and take it up to you."

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**

The Lord Is My Salvation

Verse 1

The grace of God has reached for me
And pulled me from the raging sea
And I am safe on this solid ground
The Lord is my salvation

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Verse 2

I will not fear when darkness falls
His strength will help me scale these walls
I'll see the dawn of the rising sun
The Lord is my salvation

Chorus

***Who is like the Lord our God
Strong to save faithful in love
My debt is paid and the victory won
The Lord is my salvation***

Verse 3

My hope is hidden in the Lord
He flow'rs each promise of His Word
When winter fades I know spring will come
The Lord is my salvation

Verse 4

In times of waiting times of need
When I know loss when I am weak
I know His grace will renew these days
The Lord is my salvation

Chorus

Verse 5

And when I reach the final day
He will not leave me in the grave
But I will rise He will call me home
The Lord is my salvation

Chorus

Bridge

Glory be to God the Father
Glory be to God the Son
Glory be to God the Spirit
The Lord is our salvation

Chorus

Who is like the Lord our God

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***Strong to save faithful in love
My debt is paid and the victory won
The Lord is my salvation***

Ending
The Lord is our salvation
The Lord is our salvation

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I Want to Know You

Verse 1

I've tried in vain a thousand ways
My fears to quell my hopes to raise
But what I need your word has said
Is ever only Jesus

Verse 2

You died you live you reign you plead
There's love in all your words and deeds
This weary heart finds all it needs
In ever only Jesus

Chorus

***I want to know you Jesus my Lord
King of the Heavens king of my soul
I trade my treasure and all my rewards
Jesus to know you then know you more***

Verse 3

Though some should curse me for your name
I have no fear I have no shame
You stand with me for all my days
My ever only Jesus

Chorus

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Bridge

/Like wave after wave on the ocean
Like all of the sand on the shore
Your beauty and glory are endless
O Jesus I must know you more/

Chorus

Jesus to know you, then know you more.

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As The Deer

As the deer pants for the water
So my soul longs after You
You alone are my heart's desire
And I long to worship You

Chorus:

***You alone are my strength my shield
To You alone may my spirit yield
You alone are my heart's desire
And I long to worship You***

You're my friend
And You are my brother
Even though You are a King
I love You more than any other
So much more than anything

Chorus

I want You more than gold
Or silver
Only You can satisfy
You alone are the real joy giver
And the apple of my eye

Chorus

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(You may be seated)

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading & Prayer of Illumination

Sermon Text:

John 11:17-27

Preaching of the Word

Jesus Comforts Martha

*Closing Hymn

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Be Thou My Vision

*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



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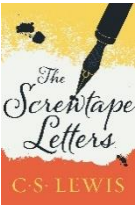
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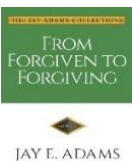
Building for the Future! As we begin our building campaign for a new church fellowship hall that will expand ministry opportunities, please prayerfully consider if God would have you give above your regular tithe or offering. (2 Cor. 9:7)

Wednesday Night Events

- **Sermon in Review:** Join us each Wednesday night at 6 PM for an interactive Bible Study led by Pastor Ralph. A time of study follows the study.
- **Wednesday Meals:** a churchwide dinner is offered from 5:15 – 6 PM for a time of fellowship and food before Bible study begins.
- **Catechism Class:** Children’s Catechism classes are offered at 6 PM for children ages 5 – 12.



Men’s Bible Study begins at 8 AM. They are currently going through **Screwtape Letters** by C.S. Lewis. This study is every 1st and 3rd Saturday of each month. The next study meets Saturday, May 16th. Please see Pastor Ralph for questions.



Join us on Sunday mornings at 9:30 AM as we go through **From Forgiveness to Forgiving** by Jay Adams. Please see Pastor Ralph or one of our Elders for any questions.

*****As a reminder there are children’s bulletins located next to the coffee station at the back of the sanctuary.**

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This Week at Fairfield Presbyterian Church

Monday, May 11 – Sunday, May 17

Tuesday – May 12

6 PM.....ESL Class and Celebration

Wednesday – May 13

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

6 PM.....Bible Study & Prayer

6 PM.....Catechism Class

Thursday – May 14

5 PM.....Session Meeting

Saturday – May 16

8 AM.....Men’s Bible Study Fellowship

10:30 AM.....Sarah Stevens Baby Shower

Sunday – May 17

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, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

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	\$ 5934.15
Weekly Missions budgeted amount	\$ 615.38
Missions amount given last week	\$ 800.00
Current Building Expansion Value as of 5/8/2026	\$ 451404.37

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