



Fairfield
Presbyterian
Church
PCA

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

Celebration of Worship

Palm Sunday
March 29, 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.

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.

Memory Verse of the Week – 1 Timothy 1:15

“The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost.”

Choral Introit

Come Let Us Worship and Bow Down

Come let us worship and bow down
Let us kneel before the Lord Our God our Maker
For He is our God
And we are the people of His pasture
And the sheep of His hand; Just the sheep of His hand

Dave Doherty

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GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

Call to Worship

Psalm 24:7-9

Pastor: Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors,

People: *That the King of glory may come in.*

Pastor: Who is this King of glory?

People: *The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle!*

Pastor: Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O ancient doors,

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People: *That the King of glory may come in.*

***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**

Jesus Shall Reign

Verse 1

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun does its successive journeys run; his kingdom stretch from shore to shore, till sun shall rise and set no more.

Verse 2

Blessings abound where'er he reigns; the pris'ner leaps to loose his chains; the weary find eternal rest, and all the sons of want are blest.

Chorus

To our King be highest praise, rising through eternal days. Just and faithful he shall reign: Jesus shall reign!

Verse 3

People and realms of ev'ry tongue dwell on his love with sweetest song; and infant voices shall proclaim their early blessings on his name.

Chorus

Verse 4

Let ev'ry creature rise and bring blessing and honor to our King; angels descend with songs again, and earth repeat the loud amen!

Chorus (repeat)

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Music: John Hatton, 1793; ref. Ed Cash, Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty

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Public Confession of Sin

All: Our gracious Father, you sent your Son to die and rise to new life in order that death might be brought to an end and that we too might live a new life. Yet we have too often chosen death over life. In our thoughts, words, and deeds we have rebelled against you and your intentions for us.

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In so doing, we have broken our fellowship with you, whose love is better than life and whom to know is life itself. In so doing, we have hurt others, sometimes unintentionally and sometimes deliberately, and have diminished their lives. In so doing, we have damaged ourselves who were created to reflect your beauty.

Father, forgive us our sin for Jesus' sake. And grant that your resurrection power might course through our entire being that we might walk in the ways of love and justice, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Silent Prayer of Confession

Comfort and Assurance of the Gospel

Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, he himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery. ~ Hebrews 2.14-15

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)

I sing praises to Your name O Lord; Praises to Your name O Lord
For Your name is great, And greatly to be praised
I sing praises to Your name O Lord; Praises to Your name O Lord
For Your name is great
And greatly to be praised

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 3:1-21

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

Scripture Context:

The young Samuel hears his first message from the LORD.

Now the young man Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. And the word of the LORD was rare in those days; there was no frequent vision. ² At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his own place. ³ The lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. ⁴ Then the LORD called Samuel, and he said, "Here I am!" ⁵ and ran to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. ⁶ And the LORD called again, "Samuel!" and Samuel arose and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." ⁷ Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. ⁸ And the LORD called Samuel again the third time. And he arose and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the young man. ⁹ Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down, and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant hears.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place. ¹⁰ And the LORD came and stood, calling as at other times, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant hears." ¹¹ Then the LORD said to Samuel, "Behold, I am about to do a thing in Israel at which the two ears of everyone who hears it will tingle. ¹² On that day I will fulfill against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end. ¹³ And I declare to him that I am about to punish his house forever, for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were blaspheming God, and he did not restrain them. ¹⁴ Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli's house shall not be atoned for by sacrifice or offering forever." ¹⁵ Samuel lay until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the LORD. And Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. ¹⁶ But Eli called Samuel and said, "Samuel, my son." And he said, "Here I am." ¹⁷ And Eli said, "What was it that he told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also if you

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hide anything from me of all that he told you." ¹⁸ So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. And he said, "It is the LORD. Let him do what seems good to him." ¹⁹ And Samuel grew, and the LORD was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. ²⁰ And all Israel from Dan to Beersheba knew that Samuel was established as a prophet of the LORD. ²¹ And the LORD appeared again at Shiloh, for the LORD revealed himself to Samuel at Shiloh by the word of the LORD.

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

***Prayer of Thanks and Dedication**

***Worship in Song**

The King of Glory Comes (240)

Refrain:

***The King of glory comes,
the nation rejoices.
Open the gates before him,
lift up your voices.***

Who is the King of glory?
What shall we call him?
He is Immanuel, the promised of ages
(Refrain)

In all of Galilee, in city or village,
He goes among his people,
Curing their illness.
(Refrain)

He gave his life for us,
the pledge of salvation.
He took upon himself
the sin of the nations.
(Refrain)

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He conquered sin and death;
he truly has risen.
And he will share with us
His heavenly kingdom.
(Refrain)

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

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

**/ 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 /**

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PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading & Prayer of Illumination

Sermon Text:

John 10:7-10

Preaching of the Word

Jesus, The Only Door

*** Closing Hymn**

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Jesus Paid it All

***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
Jesus, The Only Door
John 10:7-10

1 The _____ of the Door, 7-8

2 The _____ of the Door. 9a

3 The _____ of the Door, 9b-10

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)



Join us tonight, Mar. 29th as we celebrate our monthly Hymn Sing at 6 PM in the main sanctuary.



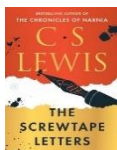
You can help **provide an Easter meal** for just \$2.75 to those in our community who are going hungry or struggling to afford food prices. Visit waterfrontmission.org or make check payable to "Fairfield Presbyterian Church" and indicate "Waterfront Missions" on tithe envelope.



There will be **no Potluck Fellowship Meal** on Sunday, April 5th due to Easter Sunday.



Fairfield's **English as a Second Language Ministry** is looking for additional volunteers. Areas of need are: classroom assistants, kitchen and hospitality, office assistants, and caregivers for the children of our volunteer staff.



Calling all men of Fairfield to attend **Men's Bible Study Fellowship** Saturday, Apr. 4th at 8 AM. Pastor Ralph is currently going through "Screwtape Letters" by C.S. Lewis. It's not too late to join! See Pastor Ralph for questions.



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



JAY E. ADAMS

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This Week at Fairfield Presbyterian Church

Monday, March 30 – Sunday, April 5

Tuesday – March 31

6 PM.....ESL Class

Wednesday – April 1

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

6 PM.....Bible Study & Prayer

6 PM.....Catechism Class

Thursday – April 2

9 AM.....Homeschool Co-op

5 PM.....Session Meeting

Saturday – April 4

8 AM.....Men’s Bible Study Fellowship

Sunday – April 5

9:30 AM.....Sunday School

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

10: 45 AM.....Easter 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 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	\$ 4267.17
Weekly Missions budgeted amount	\$ 615.38
Missions amount given last week	\$ 405.00
Current Building Expansion Value as of 3/20/2026	\$ 361,509.63

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