

Fairmont Presbyterian Church Kettering, Ohio March 15, 2020

FAIRMONT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Order of Service for the Public Worship of God

Fairmont Presbyterian Church nurtures and guides people to live inspired lives.

March 15, 2020 10:30am 3rd Sunday in Lent

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Brian Maguire

Prelude Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now Johann Walther

Call to Worship

Leader: O come, let us sing to the Lord.

People: Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.

Leader: O come, let us worship and bow down.

People: Let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker.

Leader: The hour is coming and is now here.

People: In spirit and truth, let us worship God.

*Hymn 215 What Wondrous Love Is This Wondrous Love

(use this time for quiet reflection and prayer)

*Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Lord, you know who we are. You know everything we have done. We thirst for things that will never satisfy us. We commit ourselves to things that will never last. We worship things that will never bring salvation. Still, you offer us the gift of living water. Still, you offer us the gift of eternal life. Forgive us, O Lord, and give us this living water, so that we may never thirst again... (silent confession)...Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

*Passing of Christ's Peace

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Time with Our Children Rachel Boden

Prayer for Illumination

Reading pgs. 94-95 John 4:5-30, 39-42

Leader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon The Well is Deep Rev. Kelley Shin

*Hymn 479 Ho, All Who Thirst Jacob's Well

(use this time for quiet reflection and prayer)

*Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed page 35 of hymnal

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People (concluding with the Lord's Prayer-page 35 of hymnal)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

*Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, Ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

(use this time for quiet reflection and prayer)

*Charge and Benediction

*Postlude Old Hundredth Johann Pachelbel

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Within the Fellowship

For prayer concerns, please contact: Rev. Kelley Shin at kshin@fairmontchurch.org or (937) 299-3539.

For emergencies, contact Rev. Brian Maguire at (937) 269-2864 or Rev. Kelley Shin at (937) 751-0752.

Announcements

Lenten School (March 1-April 8): A Celebration of Discipline: How do you get closer to God? How do you change your life so that you can live more like the person you were meant to be? How do you pray? These are some of the fundamental "how" questions on the method and means of living life as a Christian. We will be examining these questions together in Lent using Richard Foster's classic book, A Celebration of Discipline as our guide as we learn from centuries of Christians' experiences of how to live closer to God and each other. We will be meeting throughout Lent on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 online via Zoom. Watch for an email for directions for online Zoom access. Books are available for purchase through the church office for \$15.00.

Fairmont Men's Luncheon will meet for lunch at MCL Cafeteria on Wednesday, March 18th at 11:30am. Please RSVP by noon on Tuesday by email or calling the church office. Watch your email Tuesday for any change in plans due to restriction from the Coronavirus.

Pastors' Bible Study will not be meeting until further notice.

Theology on Tap is cancelled for Friday, March 20, 2020.

Fit 4 You: Do you find yourself reaching for the pew in front of you when standing to sing in church? Then, you may want to consider joining Fairmont's wellness program, Fit 4 You. This program is a progressive strength, balance, and flexibility exercise program for adult men and women of all levels of ability. Fit 4 You meets every Tuesday and Friday from 11:00 am to 12:00 pm, and in addition to exercise, the group instruction fosters social interaction, fellowship, and support. Join us!

Easter Egg Hunt, Saturday, April 4th: We need volunteers for our annual Easter Egg Hunt! This year, the children will gather empty eggs in their baskets (just like the empty tomb!) and turn them in at tables for a variety of safe, age-appropriate prizes. Everyone will then be invited upstairs for a puppet show in the sanctuary and lunch in Fellowship Hall. We need help with set-up, clean-up, lunch, and prize tables. Please email Rachel at rboden@fairmontchurch.org or call the church office if you are willing to help. See you there!

What is Per Capita and why is it \$52.20? The Presbyterian Church is a connectional church. That means that we share in mutual ministry and accountability with and for each other. One of the ways we do that is by sharing in the cost of the denomination. This is done through individual assessments based on the number of members in each church. These assessments, called "per capita," are mandatory and are used to support the work of the General Assembly and the Synod. Those funds are obtained either from our general Fairmont revenues or from special offerings of individuals who wish to pay their share individually. The total per member assessment for 2020 is \$52.20. That is the cost of being a member of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) denomination as opposed to the local congregation. If you would like to directly pay your share of our commitment to the greater church, the amount per member is \$52.20.

2020 Giving Update: Through February 28, we have received \$81,660 in pledges against budgeted pledges of \$86,000.

Food and Fellowship: We are looking for individuals or groups to host our monthly food and fellowship. It can be as simple as bagels and cream cheese or as elaborate as the Scottish high tea! A sign-up sheet is on the new bulletin board in the black and white Narthex. Please consider organizing one of these fun events!

Women's Retreat "Listening to Sacred Voices": Fairmont Women: Mark your calendars for April 24-25, 2020 for the Fairmont Women's Retreat at Hueston Woods Conference Center. Come join us in a beautiful setting for a time of faith, fun, food, and fellowship. More details to come. Brochures are in the Black and White Narthex and the Fellowship Hall. Registration deadline is April 8, 2020.

Food Pantry: The food pantry is in need of toothbrushes and toothpaste, laundry and dish detergent. Please place items in the bins in the coat room by the office and next to the elevator. Thank you.

⁵ So he came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. ⁶ Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.

⁷ A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." ⁸ (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) ⁹ The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) ¹⁰ Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." ¹¹ The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? ¹² Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?" ¹³ Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, ¹⁴ but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." ¹⁵ The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water."

¹⁶ Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come back." ¹⁷ The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; ¹⁸ for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!" ¹⁹ The woman said to him, "Sir, I see that you are a prophet. ²⁰ Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem." ²¹ Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. ²² You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. ²³ But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. ²⁴ God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." ²⁵ The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us." ²⁶ Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one who is speaking to you."

²⁷ Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, "What do you want?" or, "Why are you speaking with her?" ²⁸ Then the woman left her water jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, ²⁹ "Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?" ³⁰ They left the city and were on their way to him.

³⁹ Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony, "He told me everything I have ever done." ⁴⁰ So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. ⁴¹ And many more believed because of his word. ⁴² They said to the woman, "It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and

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