



Fairmont Presbyterian Church

Kettering, Ohio

Second Sunday of Easter

April 19, 2020

FAIRMONT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Order of Service for the Worship of God

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

April 19, 2020
10:30 a.m.
2nd Sunday of Easter

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Brian Maguire

Prelude

Fantasia on "O Filii et Filiae"

Call to Worship

Leader: Beloved church, behold the victory of our God:
Jesus, our Lord, has conquered the grave.

People: Christ is risen! Alleluia!

Leader: Sin and death shall reign no more.

People: Christ is risen! Alleluia!

Leader: Christ is risen! Alleluia! Thanks be to God!

Hymn: Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna!

Ode to Joy

Christ is risen! Shout Hosanna!
Celebrate this day of days!
Christ is risen! Hush in wonder:
all creation is amazed.
In the desert all-surrounding,
see, a spreading tree has grown.
Healing leaves of grace abounding
bring a taste of love unknown.

Christ is risen! Raise your spirits
from the caverns of despair.
Walk with gladness in the morning.
See what love can do and dare.
Drink the wine of resurrection,
not a servant, but a friend.
Jesus is our strong companion.
Joy and peace shall never end.

Christ is risen! Earth and heaven
nevermore shall be the same.
Break the bread of new creation
where the world is still in pain.
Tell its grim, demonic chorus:

"Christ is risen! Get you gone!"
God the First and Last is with us.
Sing Hosanna everyone!

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Holy and risen Lord, in your presence we confess our failure to be what you created and called us to be. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in forgetting your love, in doubting your power. We are held captive by our fear. By your loving mercy, forgive us. Help us to live with faith in the light of your resurrected presence, abiding in your ways and trusting in your word...(silent confession)...Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Gloria Patri

Alleluia!

Celtic Alleluia

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

First Lesson

Psalm 16

Protect me, O God, for in you I take refuge. I say to the Lord, "You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you." As for the holy ones in the land, they are the noble, in whom is all my delight. Those who choose another god multiply their sorrows; their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out or take their names upon my lips. The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot. The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; I have a goodly heritage. I bless the Lord who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me. I keep the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved. Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices; my body also rests secure. For you do not give me up to Sheol, or let your faithful one see the Pit. You show me the path of life. In your presence there is fullness of joy; in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Solo

Lord God of Abraham
Tim Oliver, Soloist

Mendelssohn

Second Lesson

John 20:19-31

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." But Thomas (who was called

the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Touching Flesh

Rev. Kelley Shin

Hymn: In the Bulb There Is a Flower

Promise

In the bulb there is a flower;
in the seed, an apple tree;
in cocoons, a hidden promise:
butterflies will soon be free!
In the cold and snow of winter
there's a spring that waits to be,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.

There's a song in every silence,
seeking word and melody;
there's a dawn in every darkness,
bringing hope to you and me.
From the past will come the future;
what it holds, a mystery,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.

In our end is our beginning;
in our time, infinity;
in our doubt there is believing;
in our life, eternity.
In our death, a resurrection;
at the last, a victory,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.

Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

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.

Pastoral Prayer (concluding with the Lord's Prayer)

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.

Invitation to Stewardship

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.*

Hymn: We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight

Dunlap's Creek

We walk by faith and not by sight;
with gracious words draw near,
O Christ, who spoke as none e'er spoke:
"My peace be with you here."

We may not touch your hands and side,
nor follow where you trod;
but in your promise we rejoice
and cry, "My Lord and God!"

Help then, O Lord, our unbelief;
and may our faith abound
to call on you when you are near
and seek where you are found.

And when our life of faith is done,
in realms of clearer light
may we behold you as you are,
with full and endless sight.

Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Christ the Lord is Risen Today

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Within the Fellowship

For prayer concerns, please contact: Rev. Kelley Shin at kshin@fairmontchurch.org.

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

Announcements

Connections Class: “In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.” No other gospel’s opening words draw us in like these words from the first chapter of John. The fourth gospel - John’s gospel - stands alone among the gospel accounts. We are taking a deeper dive into the gospel of John in our new Connections Class each Wednesday night at 6:30 p.m. Join us by Zoom and watch for the link in our weekly Beside Still Waters email or here:

Connections Class: Wednesday, 6:30pm
Zoom Meeting Link: <https://zoom.us/j/792715072>
Zoom Meeting ID: 792-715-072

Fourth Friday Family Pizza Dinner: Let’s continue our tradition of our Fourth Friday Pizza Dinner but this time we will meet on Zoom and share conversations as we eat together! Mark your calendar for Friday, April 24th at 5:30 p.m. Order pizza to be delivered to your home, make your own pizza, or pop a frozen pizza in the oven! However you get your pizza remember to practice safe distances and wash your hands! Just have pizza ready to go by 5:30 p.m. Watch for the link in our weekly Beside Still Waters email or here:

Fourth Friday Family Pizza: Zoom Meeting Link: <https://zoom.us/j/99635537984>
Zoom Meeting ID: 996 3553 7984

Theology on Tap: Join us for Theology on Tap **every** Friday at 5:00 p.m. on Zoom. Just because we do not have a bar does not mean we cannot still get together and share. Bring your favorite beverage and join us for our virtual “Theology on Tap.” Watch for the link in our weekly Beside Still Waters email or here:

Theology on Tap: Friday, 5:00pm
Zoom Meeting Link: <https://zoom.us/j/604020493>
Zoom Meeting ID: 604-020-493

Thursday Evening Bible Study: Join us every Thursday night for Bible Study at 8:00 p.m. on Zoom. Each week we will be examining the Bible text for the following Sunday. This Thursday we will be exploring John 21:1-19. Watch for Fairmont's weekly Beside Still Waters email for the link or here:

Bible Study: Thursday, 8:00pm
Zoom Meeting Link: <https://zoom.us/j/564218448>
Zoom Meeting ID: 564-218-448

Kids Korner Online: Tuesday through Friday from 10:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Fairmont's online children's time provides important opportunities for children Pre-Kindergarten - 5th grade. Join us on Tuesdays for *Music with Lorelei*, Wednesdays with rotating activities (*Godly Play* and *Blessing Circle* with Pastor Kelley, *Reading with Rachel* and *Story Yoga* with Rachel), Thursdays for *Bible Story* and *Kids Devotion*, and Fridays for *Sunday School*. Watch for links in our weekly Beside Still Waters and Kids Korner emails or here:

Kidz Korner Online (PreK-5th grade): Tuesday-Friday, 10:30-11am
Zoom Meeting Link: <https://zoom.us/j/991553742>
Zoom Meeting ID: 991-553-742

PYC & Confirmation: On Wednesday nights (6:30 - 7:30 p.m.) our PYC youth group continues to gather and support each other on Zoom, sharing dinner, faith conversations, and games. On Sunday afternoons at 12:00 p.m. the Confirmation class continues to explore their faith as they learn what it means to be a Christian in the PC(USA) tradition. Watch for PYC Zoom links in our weekly Beside Still Waters and PYC Newsletter emails or here:

PYC (6-12th grade): Wednesday, 6:30pm
Zoom Meeting Link: <https://zoom.us/j/416222987>
Zoom Meeting ID: 416-222-987

Deacon's Scholarship: The Board of Deacons offers an annual scholarship to Fairmont Presbyterian graduating high school seniors who have demonstrated active involvement in leadership and worship during their high school years, as well as to Fairmont members pursuing seminary education. This scholarship is a one-time gift intended to celebrate and support the student in education for costs of tuition, books, and room and board. This is not a competitive award; all applicants who meet the criteria may receive an award. The amount of the award may vary and is dependent upon available funds. Applications must be submitted no later than April 30, 2020. Contact Kelly Coan at kelly.coan@syf.com for application criteria and details!

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