



Fairmont Presbyterian
Church
Kettering, Ohio
Palm/Passion Sunday

April 5, 2020

FAIRMONT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Order of Service for the Worship of God

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

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10:30am
Palm/Passion Sunday

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Brian Maguire

Prelude

"All Glory Laud and Honor"

Traditional

Call to Worship

Rev. Kelley Shin

Leader: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!
People: Hosanna in the Highest!
Leader: Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!
People: Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!
Leader: Lo, your king comes to you;
People: triumphant and victorious is he.
Leader: Come, let us worship God.

Hymn: All Glory Laud and Honor

Teschner

Refrain:

All glory, laud, and honor
to thee, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children
made sweet hosannas ring!

Thou art the King of Israel,
thou David's royal Son,
who in the Lord's name comest,
the King and blessed One. [Refrain]

The people of the Hebrews
with palms before thee went;
our praise and prayers and anthems
before thee we present. [Refrain]

To thee, before thy passion,
they sang their hymns of praise;

to thee, now high exalted,
our melody we raise. [Refrain]
Thou didst accept their praises;
accept the prayers we bring,
who in all good delightest,
thou good and gracious King! [Refrain]

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

God of each new day, we confess that we join the crowds who one day celebrate your name and the next day deny you. We join with crowds from age to age who insult and alienate and blame. Forgive us when we turn aimlessly away from you and your claim on our lives. Forgive us our sin. Make us bold to follow you alone. Open our hearts to see each other as you see us, and open our ears to hear your Word that we may become your people...*(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

Scripture Reading

Matthew 21:1-11

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediately." This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet, saying, "Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey." The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!" When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, "Who is this?" The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon
Maguire

Downhill, All the Way

Rev. Brian

Hymn: In the Cross of Christ I Glory

Conkey

In the cross of Christ I glory,
towering o'er the wrecks of time;

all the light of sacred story
gathers round its head sublime.
When the woes of life o'ertake me,
hopes deceive, and fears annoy,
never shall the cross forsake me;
lo, it glows with peace and joy.

When the sun of bliss is beaming
light and love upon my way,
from the cross the radiance streaming
adds more luster to the day.

Bane and blessing, pain and pleasure,
by the cross are sanctified;
peace is there that knows no measure,
joys that through all time abide.

In the cross of Christ I glory,
towering o'er the wrecks of time;
all the light of sacred story
gathers round its head sublime.

Affirmation of Faith

“The Nicene Creed”

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,

from the burning of the noontide heat,
and the burden of the day.

Upon that cross of Jesus
mine eye at times can see
the very dying form of One
who suffered there for me;
and from my smitten heart with tears
two wonders I confess –
the wonders of redeeming love
and my unworthiness.

I take, O cross, thy shadow
for my abiding place;
I ask no other sunshine than
the sunshine of his face,
content to let the world go by,
to know no gain nor loss,
my sinful self my only shame,
my glory all the cross.

Charge and Benediction

Postlude

"What Wondrous Love is This"

Douglas

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Announcements

Holy Week Services: We invite you to join us this week, Holy Week, as we remember Jesus' sacred journey to the cross and as we move into the joy of Resurrection Morning on Easter Sunday. All services will be online and the link for each worship service will be sent in this week's Constant Contact email or can be found on the Fairmont Presbyterian Church website at www.fairmontchurch.org.

April 9th: **Maundy Thursday** Service of Communion and Foot Washing at 7:00 p.m.
April 10th: **Good Friday** Service of Tenebrae at 7:00 p.m.
April 11th: **Holy Saturday** Reading of the Gospel of Matthew at 2:00 p.m.
April 12th: **Resurrection of Our Lord/Easter** Service at 10:30 a.m.

Maundy Thursday Communion & Foot-Washing Preparation: This Thursday, April 9th, we will celebrate the Lord's Supper and share in the Rite of Hand/Foot Washing as part of our live-streamed worship service on **Maundy Thursday at 7:00 p.m.** You are invited to share in communion and the rite of foot washing at home on April 9th by obtaining some bread (bread, roll, cracker) and/or some liquid grape juice (fermented wine or unfermented juice) and a bowl of water and towel.

Theology on Tap (NOT meeting on Good Friday): 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" via Zoom. **We will not be having Theology on Tap on Good Friday. Our next Theology on Tap is Friday, April 17th.** Watch for the Zoom link in the Constant Contact email the week of April 17th.

Thursday Evening Bible Study (NOT meeting on Maundy Thursday): Join us next online on Thursday, April 16th for Bible Study at **8:00 p.m.** Each week we will be examining the Bible text for the following Sunday. Watch for Fairmont's weekly Constant Contact email for the Zoom link.

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 Zoom links in this week's Constant Contact and Kids Korner emails.

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 Zoom links in this week's Constant Contact and PYC Newsletter emails.

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 have been hearing from John's gospel during the season of Lent but we will take a deeper dive into the gospel of John in our next Connections Class series beginning on Wednesday, April 15th. Join us by Zoom at 6:30 p.m. each Wednesday night beginning on April 15th. Watch for a Zoom link in Fairmont's weekly Constant Contact.

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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