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FAIRMONT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Order of Service for the Worship of God

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

July 12, 2020

10:30am

6th Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Brian Maguire

Prelude

I am the Bread of Life

Lynn Trapp

Call to Worship (Psalm 65)

Leader: Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion; and to you shall vows be performed,

People: O you who answer prayer! To you all flesh shall come.

Leader: By awesome deeds you answer us with deliverance, O God of our salvation; you are the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas.

People: By your strength you established the mountains; you are girded with might.

Leader: Those who live at earth's farthest bounds are awed by your signs; you make the gateways of the morning and the evening shout for joy. So, let us join with all creation as we praise our maker.

Hymn 175

Seek Ye First

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1 Seek ye first the kingdom of God
and its righteousness,
and all these things shall be added unto you.
Allelu, alleluia!

2 Ask, and it shall be given unto you;
seek, and you shall find;
knock, and the door shall be opened unto you.
Allelu, alleluia!

3 You shall not live by bread alone,
but by every word
that proceeds from the mouth of God.
Allelu, alleluia!

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Rev. Kelley Shin

In your grace O Lord, you give to us your life abundant. But we ignore your invitation, decline your bread of life, and prefer to build our lives on our own terms. We prefer sweet lies to your truth and control to your communion. And then we wonder why you seem so far away.

Forgive us our foolishness and pride. Forgive us our sin. Feed us even when we fail to heed your summons so that we may be restored and share in the life which you have made for all people...(silent confession)...Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Congregational Response

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

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 Reading

Joshua 24:1-2, 14-18

Then Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. ² And Joshua said to all the people, "Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel: Long ago your ancestors—Terah and his sons Abraham and Nahor—lived beyond the Euphrates and served other gods.

¹⁴ "Now therefore revere the LORD, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. ¹⁵ Now if you are unwilling to serve the LORD, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD." ¹⁶ Then the people answered, "Far be it from us that we should forsake the LORD to serve other gods; ¹⁷ for it is the LORD our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; ¹⁸ and the LORD drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the LORD, for he is our God."

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem

My Lord God's World
Jim Runkle, *soloist*

arr. by Jim Runkle

Second Reading

John 6:56-69

⁵⁶ Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. ⁵⁷ Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. ⁵⁸ This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever." ⁵⁹ He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum.

⁶⁰ When many of his disciples heard it, they said, "This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?" ⁶¹ But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, "Does this offend you? ⁶² Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? ⁶³ It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. ⁶⁴ But among you there are some who do not believe." For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. ⁶⁵ And he said, "For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me

unless it is granted by the Father. ⁶⁶ Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. ⁶⁷ So Jesus asked the twelve, "Do you also wish to go away?" ⁶⁸ Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. ⁶⁹ We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God."

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Bread Part Five: Does This Offend?

Rev. Brian Maguire

Hymn 522

I Am the Bread of Life

I Am The Bread

(verse 1,3,5)

1 "I am the bread of life.
You who come to me shall not hunger,
and who believe in me shall not thirst.
No one can come to me
unless the Father beckons."

Refrain

"And I will raise you up,
and I will raise you up,
and I will raise you up on the last day."

3 "Unless you eat of the flesh
of the Son of Man
and drink of his blood,
and drink of his blood,
you shall not have life within you." (Refrain)

5 Yes, Lord, I believe
that you are the Christ,
the Son of God,
who has come into the world. (Refrain)

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 Discipleship

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.*

Prayer of Commitment

Hymn 177

I Will Come to You

You Are Mine

1 "I will come to you in the silence;
I will lift you from all your fear.
You will hear my voice;
I claim you as my choice.
Be still and know I am here.

Refrain:

"Do not be afraid, I am with you.
I have called you each by name.
Come and follow me,
I will bring you home;
I love you and you are mine."

2 "I am hope for all who are hopeless;
I am eyes for all who long to see.
In the shadows of the night,
I will be your light.
Come and rest in me. (Refrain)

3 "I am strength for all the despairing,
healing for the ones who dwell in shame.
All the blind will see;
the lame will all run free,
and all will know my name. (Refrain)

4 "I am the Word that leads all to freedom;
I am the peace the world cannot give.
I will call your name,
embracing all your pain.
Stand up, now walk and live! (Refrain)

Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Toccata

Gordon Young

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Within the Fellowship

For prayer concerns or if you would like to be part of the Email Prayer Chain Team, please contact:
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Announcements

Theology on Tap: Join us for Theology on Tap every first and third 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://us02web.zoom.us/j/81031782239>
Zoom Meeting ID: 810 3178 2239

Thursday Evening Bible Study: Join us every Thursday night for Bible Study at 7:30 p.m. on Zoom. Each week we will be examining the Bible text for the following Sunday. This Thursday we will be exploring Romans 8:12-25. Watch for Fairmont's weekly Beside Still Waters email for the link or here:

Bible Study: Thursday, 7:30pm
Zoom Meeting Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86541370912>
Zoom Meeting ID: 865 4137 0912

Mission Opportunity: Given the impact of the Coronavirus, there is an **urgent** need for support of promising students in our local high schools. Each year, Montgomery County Ohio College Promise selects 50+ poverty impacted 8th grade students of promise for a life-changing opportunity. Our goal is that students will be able to earn a bachelor's degree at little to no cost to their families. Each student is paired with a volunteer adult mentor and meets with their mentor once a week throughout high school. Upon graduation, the student receives a scholarship to one of our 12 partner colleges and universities.

This past winter, we selected our 10th cohort of 53 College Promise Scholars, who will be freshman in high school this fall. That means we are looking for volunteer mentors to match with these students. If you have the ability meet with a student *once a week* during the school year, please consider applying! You can also support College Promise by sharing with family, friends, professional connections, or other contacts who may be interested. If you'd like first-hand experiences, contact Fairmont members Dave Diller or Patrick Gill.

The online application is available here: <https://mcocp.org/mentoring/#become-mentor> We will conduct a free background check and ask mentors to take part a two hour training later this summer. Thank you for your consideration!

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Seek Ye First

Descant

Al - le - lu - ia,

1 Seek ye first the king - dom of God
 2 Ask, and it shall be giv - en un - to you;
 3 You shall not live by bread a - lone,

al - le - lu - ia,

and its righ - teous - ness,
 seek, and you shall find;
 but by ev - ery word

The author and composer wrote the first stanza and folk-style tune after attending a Bible study on Matthew 6:33. The later stanzas, based respectively on Matthew 7:7 and Matthew 4:4 emerged anonymously. Such meditative singing of scripture is an important form of sung prayer.

TEXT: Stanza 1, Karen Lafferty, 1971, alt.; stanzas 2-3, anon.; Spanish trans. anon.;
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JESUS CHRIST: LIFE

al - le - lu - ia,

and all these things shall be add - ed un - to you.
 knock, and the door shall be o - pened un - to you.
 that pro - ceeds from the mouth of God.

al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!

SPANISH

1 *Busca primero el reino de Dios
 y su perfecta justicia,
 que lo demás lo añadirá el Señor.
 Alelu, aleluya.*

KOREAN

1 너희는 먼저- 주의 나라와
 그의를 구하-면
 이모든것 네게 더하시리라
 알렐-루 알렐루야

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Leader or All A F#m A C#m

1 "I am the bread of life. You who
 2 "The bread that I will give is my
 3 "Un - less you eat of the
 4 "I am the res - ur - rec - tion;
 5 Yes, Lord, I be - lieve that

D Esus E

come to me shall not hun - ger, and who be -
 flesh for the life of the world, and if you
 flesh of the Son of Man and
 I am the life. If you be -
 you are the Christ, the

A C#m D E/D A C#m

lieve in me shall not thirst. No one can come to
 eat of this bread, you shall live for -
 drink of his blood, and drink of his
 lieve in me, e - ven though you
 Son of God, who has

F#m F#m/E Bm7 E

me un - less the Fa - ther beck - ons."
 ev - er; you shall live for - ev - er."
 blood, you shall not have life with - in you."
 die, you shall live for - ev - er."
 come in - to the world.

Refrain All A E A D E

"And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up,

As the quotation marks suggest, the first four stanzas and refrain are quoted from Jesus (John 6:35, 44, 51, 53; 11:25), while the fifth stanza draws on the words of Martha (John 11:27), voicing our response also. Being mindful of these differences allows more prayerful singing.

LORD'S SUPPER



and I will raise you up on the last day."

A D Esus E7 A

I Will Come to You You Are Mine

Leader or All



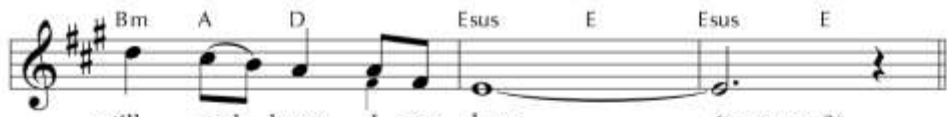
1 "I will come to you in the si - lence;
2 "I am hope for all who are hope - less;
3 "I am strength for all the de - spair - ing,
(4) am the Word that leads all to free - dom; I



I will lift you from all your fear.
I am eyes for all who long to see. (2) In the
heal - ing for the ones who dwell in shame.
am the peace the world can - not give.



You will hear my voice; I claim you as my choice. Be
shad - ows of the night, † I will be your light. †
All the blind will see; the lame will all run free, and
I will call your name, em - brac - ing all your pain. Stand



still and know I am here. (to stanza 2)
Come and rest in me. (to Refrain)
all will know my name. (to Refrain)
up, now walk and live! (to Refrain)



Do not be a - fraid, I am with you. I have called you each by



name. Come and fol - low me, I will bring you home; I



love you and you are mine." 4 "I

Presuming to speak in the voice of God, as this song does, can only be done with integrity if the singers understand their words as an expression of what they believe about God's nature and God's intentions. It is an occasion for affirming faith, not for wishful thinking.

