

FAIRMONT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Order of Service for the Worship of God

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

September 11, 2022

10:30am

14th Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Brian Maguire

Please sign the friendship pad and pass it to the person next to you.

Prelude

Voluntary

Charles Callahan

Call to Worship (Psalm 34)

Leader: The eyes of the Lord are on the righteous, and ears of the Lord are open to their cry.

People: When the righteous cry for help, the Lord hears, and rescues them from all their troubles.

Leader: The Lord is near to the brokenhearted, and saves the crushed in spirit.

People: Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the Lord rescues them from them all.

Leader: O Lord redeem the life of your servants; none of those who take refuge in you will be condemned. Let us worship our redeemer!

*Hymn 267

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

Madrid

Come, lift your hearts on high:

Alleluia! Amen!

Let praises fill the sky:

Alleluia! Amen!

He is our guide and friend;

to us he'll condescend;

his love shall never end:

Alleluia! Amen!

Praise yet our Christ again:

Alleluia! Amen!

Life shall not end the strain:

Alleluia! Amen!

On heaven's blissful shore

his goodness we'll adore,

singing forevermore:

Alleluia! Amen!

*Prayer of Confession

Gracious and loving God, we build monuments that we claim are for you that so often feed

our pride. We presume that what we want is what you want and that you will always help us achieve it. But all you want is us. The only temple you seek is our lives. Forgive our foolishness and our pride. Forgive us our sin as we turn away from you for our own desires transform our hearts so that we may become living temples of your presence in this world Change our lives so that when people see us, they see your love shining through...(time for silent prayer)...Amen.

***Assurance of Pardon**

***Congregational Response #581**

Glory Be to the Father

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

We ask you to remain in place and share Christ's peace through your words and your eyes, not your hands and hugs.

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Ordination and Installation of Officers

Time with Our Children

Loralei Harding

Anthem

O Come to the Alter
Praise Band

by Elevation Worship

Prayer for Illumination

Leader: Blessed are you Eternal One our God, sovereign of the world.

People: **In ancient days you spoke and created your people.**

Leader: Today let your Word and words come alive in us.

People: **So that we can live into your story with meaning, purpose, and hope.**

Leader: We ask this in the name of Jesus, our teacher. Amen.

Scripture Reading

1 Kings 8:22-30

Then Solomon stood before the altar of the Lord in the presence of all the assembly of Israel and spread out his hands to heaven. He said, "O Lord, God of Israel, there is no God like you in heaven above or on earth beneath, keeping covenant and steadfast love for your servants who walk before you with all their heart, the covenant that you kept for your servant my father David as you declared to him; you promised with your mouth and have this day fulfilled with your hand. Therefore, O Lord, God of Israel, keep for your servant my father David that which you promised him, saying, "There shall never fail you a successor before me to sit on the throne of Israel, if only your children look to their way, to walk before me as you have walked before me.' Therefore, O God of Israel, let your word be confirmed, which you promised to your servant

my father David. "But will God indeed dwell on the earth? Even heaven and the highest heaven cannot contain you, much less this house that I have built! Regard your servant's prayer and his plea, O Lord my God, heeding the cry and the prayer that your servant prays to you today; that your eyes may be open night and day toward this house, the place of which you said, "My name shall be there," that you may heed the prayer that your servant prays toward this place. Hear the plea of your servant and of your people Israel when they pray toward this place; O hear in heaven your dwelling place; heed and forgive.

Sermon

Will God Indeed Dwell on Earth?

Rev. Brian Maguire

***Hymn 300**

We Are One In the Spirit

They'll Know We Are Christians

1 We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord;
we are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord,
and we pray that all unity may one day be restored:

Refrain:

And they'll know we are Christians by our love,
by our love;
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

2 We will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand;
we will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand,
and together we'll spread the news that God is in our land: (Refrain)

3 We will work with each other; we will work side by side;
we will work with each other; we will work side by side,
and we'll guard human dignity and save human pride: (Refrain)

4 All praise to the Father, from whom all things come,
and all praise to Christ Jesus, God's only Son,
and all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one: (Refrain)

***Affirmation of Faith** (in unison) 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.

Pastoral Care—Please hold Pastor Kelley and her family in your prayers. Pastor Kelley will be undergoing surgery to repair a hiatal hernia on Wednesday, September 14th. We anticipate that she will be recovering

from surgery for about three weeks. Cards are most appreciated.

For prayer concerns or if you would like to be part of the Email Prayer Chain Team, please contact: Rev. Kelley Shin at kshin@fairmontchurch.org.

For emergencies, contact Rev. Brian Maguire at (937) 269-2864.

Announcements

Today following worship. Join us for food and fellowship as we celebrate our fall kick-off! Food will be provided by the Board of Deacons.

Welcome new congregational leaders!

Today in worship we ordain and install elders Steve Bergstresser and Kelly Coan and install elders Terry Akers and Jane Schwartz to leadership on our Session. We also install Sara Grillot, Don Hubbard, Tom Hohler, and Diane Weyrauch to ongoing service on our Board of Deacons. Thank you everyone who has responded to God's call to service at Fairmont.

Fairmont Membership Class

Are you interested in finding out more about Fairmont? Are you considering joining as a member? Join Pastor Brian next Sunday (September 18) immediately after both services in our chapel to learn more about Fairmont, the Presbyterian tradition, and ways you might find a spiritual home within them.

Connections Return starting on September 14th on Wednesday nights at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom. We will be continuing our series What They Never Told Me In Church: The Old Testament in which we examine those stories of the Old Testament that we prefer to avoid altogether. Come and explore the curious, confusing, and sometimes disturbing texts of the Hebrew scripture with us and bring your questions.

Wednesdays, 7:00pm

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82945327813>

Meeting ID: 829 4532 7813

September 14

Numbers 12 Miriam and Selective Punishment

September 21

Numbers 21:1-9 Snake on a Stick

September 28

Deuteronomy 34 Death of Moses and the Problem of Leadership

Bible Study Returns Starting Wednesday, September 15

Every Thursday evening at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom we will be prayerfully considering the text for the following Sunday morning. You do not need any preparations and everyone is welcome. We read through a few different translations together, talk about funny words and contexts, and then consider what it may mean both to people long ago and for us today. Most of all, questions are invited. In fact, the questions are the best part! This week we will be reflecting on 2 Kings 5:1-14. You are invited.

Thursdays, 7:00pm

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82002536057>

Meeting ID: 820 0253 6057

Theology on Tap will meet in person at The Brewery at Carillon Park at 5:00pm on Friday, September 23rd. We will be on the back patio if the weather is nice, and inside if the weather is not cooperative. Hope to see you there!

Women of Fairmont will be hosting a Gathering on Saturday, October 1, 2022, at 10:30 am in Fellowship Hall, the. This includes a delicious brunch with an egg casserole, a blueberry coffee cake, and a fruit parfait. Our associate pastor, Kelley Shin, will be talking about her hike in Spain along the Camino de Santiago Trail. Please contact Jennifer Mason in the church office at 937-299-3539 or office@fairmontchurch.org, your circle leader, or Wynn Adam, email wwygaladam@gmail.com with your reservation by Wednesday, September 28.

Sunday Nursery beginning today! Nursery care will be provided from 8am-12pm on Sunday mornings. As a reminder, only children birth - 3 years old may stay in the nursery for the safety of our youngest.

Back-to-School Supplies! We are collecting school supplies for John F. Kennedy Elementary School. Please leave your donations in the Black & White Narthex. Thank you!

box of 24 Crayola crayons	Red pens
various highlighters	large glue sticks
scissors	erasers
pocket folders	wide-ruled paper
boxes of tissues	Clorox wipes
gallon Ziploc bags	paper towels

The sanctuary flower sign-up calendar is back! Members can choose a Sunday to designate flowers in honor or memory of someone, or to commemorate a special occasion such as an anniversary, birthday, etc. Once a member has chosen a date, they will be contacted by a Deacon who will assist them with the flower arrangement and bulletin dedication. Two identical arrangements are ordered and the member is billed by the florist. The calendar is posted by the cloak room upstairs. It begins with September 2022 and ends with August 2023. For further information, please contact Wynn Adam or Sara Grillot.

The Art, Antique, & Craft Show committee is collecting items for the fall Art, Antique and Craft show. If you are willing to sort out your jewelry, broken gold chains, seasonal items, cookbooks, Christmas trees and ornaments, lamps, collectibles, pottery, canning jars (quarts & pints), antiques, and other items to go in our vintage room, we would be so grateful. We have been working since the first of the year and are a bit behind. This year we are adding World Food Kitchen to our donation list as the need seems to be extreme there. Blessings and thanks.

You may continue give to The World Central Kitchen through Fairmont's online Portal of Giving at www.fairmontchurch.org (note Ukraine in the "Other" box) or by mailing a check to Fairmont Presbyterian Church with "Ukraine" in the memo line. Thank you for your compassion and generosity

So, Who's In Charge Around Here?

Our congregation is a "Presbyterian" Church. That means that our church is led by elders and the old Greek name for elders is Presbyters. The council of ruling elders is called the Session and they function as the leaders of our congregation. The physical and financial stewardship of the congregation is the responsibility of our Board of Trustees. These are the women and men who lead the church for the next year and their respective areas of responsibility:

Steve Bergstresser Personnel	Kim Gunlock Worship	Dave Youngerman Treasurer	Mel Hohler Building & Grounds
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Worship Staff

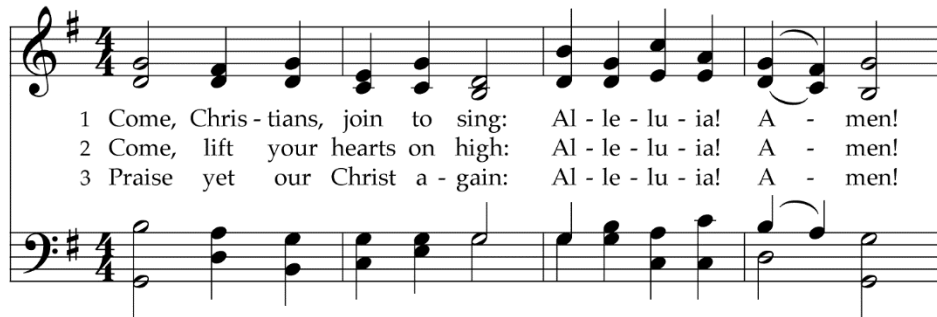
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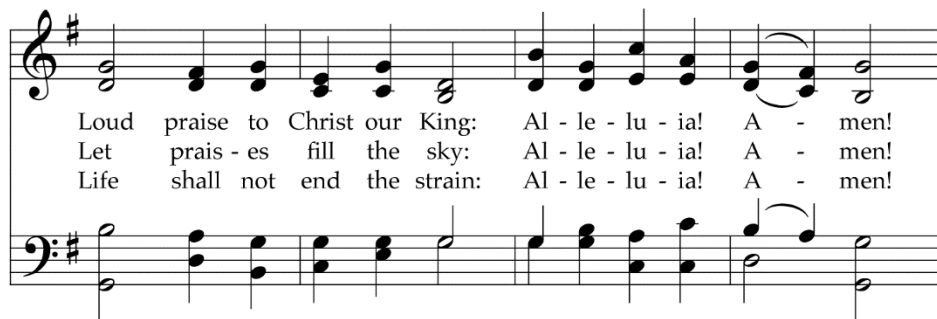
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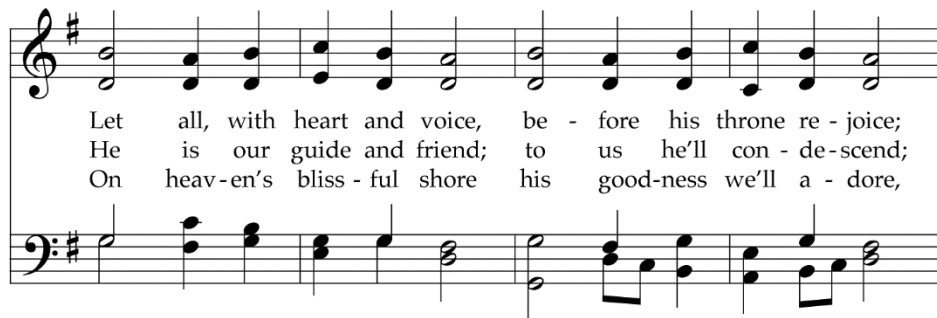
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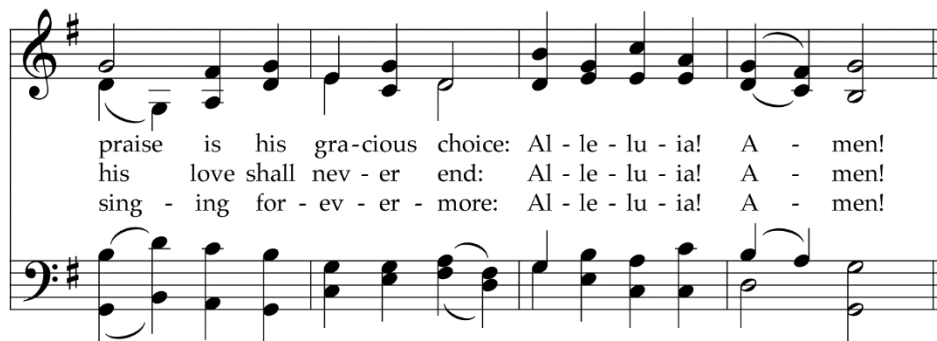
1 Come, Chris - tians, join to sing: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 2 Come, lift your hearts on high: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 3 Praise yet our Christ a - gain: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!



Loud praise to Christ our King: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 Let prais - es fill the sky: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 Life shall not end the strain: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!



Let all, with heart and voice, be - fore his throne re - joice;
 He is our guide and friend; to us he'll con - de - scend;
 On heav - en's bliss - ful shore his good - ness we'll a - dore,



praise is his gra - cious choice: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 his love shall nev - er end: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 sing - ing for - ev - er - more: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

Like many other hymns of praise, this text was originally addressed to children but has been embraced by adults as well. Although the tune's repetitive elements suggest folk origins (possibly with alternating groups of singers), no specific source has been identified.

We Are One in the Spirit 300

They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love



1 We are one in the Spir - it; we are one in the Lord;
2 We will walk with each oth - er; we will walk hand in hand;
3 We will work with each oth - er; we will work side by side;
4 All praise to the Fa - ther, from whom all things come,



we are one in the Spir - it; we are one in the Lord,
we will walk with each oth - er; we will walk hand in hand,
we will work with each oth - er; we will work side by side,
and all praise to Christ Je - sus, God's on - ly Son,



and we pray that all u - ni - ty may one day be re - stored:
and to - geth - er we'll spread the news that God is in our land:
and we'll guard hu - man dig - ni - ty and save hu - man pride:
and all praise to the Spir - it, who makes us one:



And they'll know we are Chris-tians by our love, by our



love; yes, they'll know we are Chris-tians by our love.

A parish priest at St. Brendan's on the South Side of Chicago in the 1960s was very involved in the local Civil Rights movement and needed something for his youth choir to sing at ecumenical, interracial events. Finding nothing, he wrote this song in a single day.

Go to the World!

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1 Go to the world! Go in - to all the earth.
 2 Go to the world! Go in - to ev - ery place.
 3 Go to the world! Go strug - gle, bless, and pray;
 4 Go to the world! Go as the ones I send,

Go preach the cross where Christ re - news life's worth,
 Go live the word of God's re - deem - ing grace.
 the nights of tears give way to joy - ous day.
 for I am with you till the age shall end,

bap - tiz - ing as the sign of our re - birth.
 Go seek God's pres - ence in each time and space.
 As ser - vant church, you fol - low Christ's own way.
 when all the hosts of glo - ry cry "A - men!"

Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Based on Christ's great commission (Matthew 28:19-20), this text was written for a Convocation of Emmanuel College in Toronto, the largest theological school of the United Church of Canada, a denomination formed by the union of Methodists, Congregationalists, and Presbyterians.