



**Fairmont Presbyterian Church  
Kettering, Ohio  
May 22, 2022**

## FAIRMONT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Order of Service for the Worship of God

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

May 22, 2022  
10:30am  
6th Sunday of Easter

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### To safeguard the health of everyone:

1. Wearing of protective masks is optional but not required at Fairmont Church. Masks are available at all entrances.
2. If you are currently experiencing flu-like symptoms, we invite you to stay home and join us online.

### Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Brian Maguire

### Prelude

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

William Runyan

### Call to Worship (Psalm 106)

Leader: Praise the Lord! O give thanks to the Lord, for God is good;

People: **for God's steadfast love endures forever.**

Leader: Who can utter the mighty doings of the Lord, or declare all God's praise?

People: **Happy are those who observe justice, who do righteousness at all times.**

Leader: Remember us, O Lord, when you show favor to your people; help us in the time of deliverance. Come let us worship our Lord.

### Hymn 39

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

Faithfulness

1 Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;  
there is no shadow of turning with thee.  
Thou changest not; thy compassions they fail not.  
As thou hast been thou forever wilt be.

Refrain:

Great is thy faithfulness!  
Great is thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning, new mercies I see.  
All I have needed thy hand hath provided.  
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

2 Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,  
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above  
join with all nature in manifold witness  
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.  
(Refrain)

3 Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,  
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow:  
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!  
(Refrain)

#### Prayer of Confession (in unison)

God of patience and mercy, you call us to share in the celebration of new life made possible through your love. You seek out the least and the lost and freely invite us into joyous feast of your well-beloved son. But we are quick to exchange the blessings of your covenant for temporal pleasures. We worship lesser things and debase ourselves before them. Forgive our failure to live resurrection lives. Forgive our lives of sin. Teach us to change our lives. Teach us to turn our lives to you so that our lives may give worthy testimony to your saving grace...*(silent confession)*...Amen.

#### Assurance of Pardon

##### \*Congregational Response 589

*Alleluia*

Honduras Alleluia

*Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia. Now the Lord is risen in-deed.*

#### Passing of Christ's Peace

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

#### Time with Our Children

Loralei Harding

Children will be released to Sunday School after the Children's Time.

#### Anthem

*Just a Closer Walk with Thee*

arr. by Richard Walters

Josh Hakala, tenor

#### 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

Exodus 32:1-14

When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered around Aaron, and said to him, "Come, make gods for us, who shall go before us; as for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him." <sup>2</sup>Aaron said to them, "Take off the gold rings that are on the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me." <sup>3</sup>So all the people took off the gold rings from their ears, and brought them to Aaron. <sup>4</sup>He took the gold from them, formed it in a mold, and cast an image of a calf; and they said, "These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!" <sup>5</sup>When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation and said, "Tomorrow shall be a festival to the LORD." <sup>6</sup>They rose early the next

day, and offered burnt offerings and brought sacrifices of well-being; and the people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to revel.

<sup>7</sup>The LORD said to Moses, “Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; <sup>8</sup>they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, ‘These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!’” <sup>9</sup>The LORD said to Moses, “I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. <sup>10</sup>Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation.”

<sup>11</sup> But Moses implored the LORD his God, and said, “O LORD, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? <sup>12</sup> Why should the Egyptians say, ‘It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth?’ Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. <sup>13</sup> Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, ‘I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.’” <sup>14</sup> And the LORD changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

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

Sermon Stiff-Necked, Near-Sighted Scoundrels Rev. Brian Maquire

1 Come, ye sinners, poor and needy,  
weak and wounded, sick and sore;  
Jesus ready stands to save you,  
full of pity, love, and power.

### Refrain:

I will arise and go to Jesus;  
he will embrace me in his arms.  
In the arms of my dear Savior,  
O there are ten thousand charms.

2 Come, ye thirsty, come, and welcome;  
God's free bounty glorify,  
true belief and true repentance,  
every grace that brings you nigh. (Refrain)

3 Come, ye weary, heavy laden,  
lost and ruined by the fall;  
if you tarry till you're better,  
you will never come at all. (Refrain)

4 Let not conscience make you linger,  
nor of fitness fondly dream;  
all the fitness he requireth  
is to feel your need of him. (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.

#### 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.*

#### Invitation of Discipleship

We will not be passing the offering plates to collect tithes and offerings today. There is a basket by each exit door for the collection of tithes and offerings. (Loose coins go to Children and Youth Ministries.)

#### Anthem

*Come to Jesus*  
Josh Hakala, tenor

arr. by Mark Hayes

#### Prayer of Discipleship

#### Hymn 438

*Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me*

Toplady

#### Charge and Benediction

#### Postlude

*Fugue in C*

Dietrich Buxtehude

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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: Rev. Kelley Shin at [kshin@fairmontchurch.org](mailto:kshin@fairmontchurch.org).

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

## Announcements

### **Connections: What They Never Told Me in Church: The Old Testament**

May 25      Redemption of the First Born (Exodus 4:18-31)

**Connections:** Wednesdays, 7:00pm

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

Zoom Meeting ID: 829 4532 7813

**Thursday Evening Bible Study** will begin at 7:00pm on Zoom. Each week we will be examining the Bible text for the following Sunday. Watch for Fairmont's weekly Beside Still Waters email for the link or here:

**Bible Study:** Thursday, 7:00pm.

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

Zoom Meeting ID: 820 0253 6057

**Dinners for 8 sign-ups** in Fellowship Hall. Sign-up with a friend, a spouse or by yourself and you will be put into groups of 8 or 9 to meet each month for a meal together. It's a lot of fun and a great way to get to know your church family better! Questions? Call Christy Maynard at (937) 232-2757 or Kelly Coan at (937) 470-3427.

### **Prayer Bead Workshop – Saturday June 4th, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.**

Have you ever prayed with beads? Come learn how...and make your own strand! This is a seed blossoming from the March women's retreat, but men & women are most welcome. Wisdom traditions around the world invite praying with beads—an Orthodox strand or a rosary for Christian streams. We will gather in community, learn together, and then move into creative-construction of prayer beads that fit for your own prayer life. Coffee/tea/water will be provided, but feel free to bring a sack-lunch or food for yourself if desired. \$10 for materials—can be waived by request at registration. Facilitated by Lisa M. Hess & Lisa Heckaman. **Register by May 27<sup>th</sup>, to insure materials' arrival time.**

**When:** Saturday June 4th, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

**Where:** Fairmont Presbyterian Church – Chapel and Fellowship Hall

**How:** Email/call Jennifer Mason **by May 27th** at [jmason@fairmontchurch.org](mailto:jmason@fairmontchurch.org) or 937-299-3539.



**Vacation Bible School 2022**

**June 13-17, 9:00am-11:30am**

Children step back in time at *Jerusalem Marketplace*, exploring traditions, food, and activities. Visit [www.fairmontchurch.org/vbs](http://www.fairmontchurch.org/vbs) to register!

**We still need VBS volunteers** to lead groups of children from station to station each morning, as well as leaders and assistants for some of our marketplace tents. Please see Loralei if you are able to help—VBS is our largest community outreach and educational program for children, but we need **your** help!

## Fairmont AV Team - Volunteers Needed!

Do you enjoy technology? Do you desire to learn how to use our sound system? Do you have an eye for camera angles? Volunteer to be on our AV team rotation! We are seeking several individuals to learn these skills for both service times. No prior skills required! As long as you're willing to learn, we're willing to train. Contact Loralei Harding if you have any interest at all - let's chat!

## An update on Ukrainian relief efforts by The World Central Kitchen

With your support, WCK has built the largest food relief operation in Ukraine, reaching **more than 230 cities and towns**. Combined with the seven other countries we are still cooking in daily, WCK has now served **25 million meals**. This work wouldn't be possible without the 4,300 team members – cooking in restaurants, stocking warehouses, delivering meals, driving trucks – who work tirelessly to feed their neighbors in need, even while under attack themselves.

After arriving on the Poland-Ukraine border to provide hot meals to refugee families just 24 hours after Russia launched its full-scale invasion of Ukraine, we quickly scaled up operations. WCK teams began operating 24/7 at all border crossings in neighboring countries, while at the same time getting in touch with chefs in Ukraine. The handful of restaurants we started with steadily grew to hundreds of kitchens that now prepare hundreds of thousands of daily fresh meals.

While we began cooking from a WCK Relief Kitchen near the border in Poland, we set up a huge warehouse in Warsaw. From Warsaw, trucks transport millions of pounds of food into Ukraine, adding to what we are also purchasing within the country. In the western city of Lviv, we set up multiple warehouses and established a cargo railway hub, where we fill train wagons with food every day and dispatch them to cities across the country. Our regional WCK teams receive this food at local warehouses and oversee deliveries to thousands of community locations.

With our #ChefsForUkraine operation nearing three months, we are working to provide long-term support. One example: we began a **meal voucher program in Lviv**, where temporary homes have been built for refugee families. Using a voucher, each person can walk to a nearby cafeteria to receive a free meal at any time—and choose the food they want. We are expanding this program to more locations in Lviv and across Ukraine, giving families more control and putting money back into the local economy.

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**You may give to The World Central Kitchen through Fairmont's online Portal of Giving at [www.fairmontchurch.org](http://www.fairmontchurch.org) (note Ukraine in the "Other" box) or by mailing a check to Fairmont Presbyterian Church with "Ukraine" in the memo line. The total amount that has been graciously given so far is \$14,275. Thank you for your compassion and generosity.**

### Worship Staff

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## 39 Great Is Thy Faithfulness

1 \*Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther;  
 2 Sum - mer and win - ter, and spring - time and har - vest,  
 3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,

there is no shad - ow of turn - ing with thee.  
 sun, moon, and stars in their cours - es a - bove  
 thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide,

Thou chang - est not; thy com - pas - sions they fail not.  
 join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness  
 strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row:

As thou hast been thou for - ev - er wilt be.  
 to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.  
 bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

\*Or "Great is thy faithfulness, O God, Creator."

Written as a meditation on Lamentations 3:22–23, this text is one of the few hymns among the 1200 poems by this Methodist writer and pastor that has gained much currency. The tune that appears here was composed especially for these words, and the pairing has proved enduring.

## CREATION AND PROVIDENCE

Refrain

Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Great is thy faith - ful - ness!  
 오 신 실 하 신 주 오 신 실 하 신 주

Morn - ing by morn - ing, new mer - cies I see.  
 날 마 다 자 비 를 배 푸 시 며

All I have need - ed thy hand hath pro - vid - ed.  
 일 용 할 모 든 것 내 려 주 시 니

Great is thy faith - ful - ness, Lord un - to me!  
 오 신 실 하 신 주 나 의 구 주

## CONFESSiON

## 415 Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy

*All or Leader*

1 Come, ye sin - ners, poor and need - y, weak and wound-ed,  
 2 Come, ye thirst-y, come, and wel - come; God's free boun - ty  
 3 Come, ye wea - ry, heav - y lad - en, lost and ru - ined  
 4 Let not con - science make you lin - ger, nor of fit - ness

The differing voices of this text indicate that its parts were not created together. The stanzas are cast in the voice of a preacher or exhorter, but the refrain (added later) takes the voice of a penitent heeding that call in language like that of the Prodigal Son (Luke 15:18).

TEXT: Stanzas, Joseph Hart, 1759, alt.; refrain, anon.  
 MUSIC: Walker's *Southern Harmony*, 1835

RESTORATION  
 8.7.8.7 with refrain

## CONFESION



sick and sore; Je - sus read - y stands to save you,  
 glo - ri - fy, true be - lief and true re - pen - tance,  
 by the fall; if you tar - ry till you're bet - ter,  
 fond - ly dream; all the fit - ness he re - quir - eth



Refrain

All



full of pit - y, love, and power.  
 ev - ery grace that brings you nigh.  
 you will nev - er come at all. I will a - rise and  
 is to feel your need of him.



go to Je - sus; he will em-brace me in his arms. In the



arms of my dear Sav - ior, O there are ten thou-sand charms.



## 438 Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

1 Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee.  
 2 Not the la - bors of my hands can ful - fill thy law's de-mands.  
 3 Noth-ing in my hand I bring; sim - ply to thy cross I cling;  
 4 While I draw this fleet-ing breath, when my eye - lids close in death,

Let the wa - ter and the blood from thy wound-ed side which flowed  
 Could my zeal no res - pite know, could my tears for - ev - er flow,  
 na - ked, come to thee for dress, help-less, look to thee for grace;  
 when I soar to worlds un-known, see thee on thy judg-ment throne,

Though scholars discredit the story that this hymn was written when the author found shelter under a large rock during a thunderstorm, the popular appeal of that conjecture perhaps lies in the energy of this plea and the vividness of its imagery drawn from many biblical sources.

TEXT: Augustus M. Toplady, 1776, alt.  
 MUSIC: Thomas Hastings, 1830, alt.

TOPLADY  
 7.7.7.7.7

### FORGIVENESS

be of sin the dou - ble cure, cleanse from guilt and make me pure.  
 all for sin could not a - tone. Thou must save, and thou a - lone.  
 foul, I to the foun-tain fly; wash me, Sav - ior, or I die.  
 Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee.

