



**Fairmont Presbyterian Church
Kettering, Ohio
October 11, 2020**

FAIRMONT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Order of Service for the Worship of God

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

October 11, 2020

10:30am

19th Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Brian Maguire

Prelude

Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

Gordon Young

Call to Worship (Psalm 78)

Jerry Mahn

Leader: Give ear, O my people, to my teaching; incline your ears to the words of my mouth.

People: I will open my mouth in a parable; I will utter dark sayings from of old,

Leader: things that we have heard and known, that our ancestors have told us.

People: We will not hide them from their children; we will tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the Lord, God's might and wonders.

People: Come let us attend to all that God has taught and done for us. Come let us worship God.

Hymn 81

Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

Austrian Hymn

1 Glorious things of thee are spoken,
Zion, city of our God.

God, whose word cannot be broken,
formed thee for a blest abode.

On the rock of ages founded,
what can shake thy sure repose?

With salvation's walls surrounded,
thou may'st smile at all thy foes.

2 Round each habitation hovering,
see the cloud and fire appear
for a glory and a covering,
showing that the Lord in near.
Thus deriving from their banner
light by night and shade by day,
safe they feed upon the manna
which God gives them when they pray.

3 See, the streams of living waters,
springing from eternal love,
well supply thy sons and daughters
and all fear of want remove.
Who can faint while such a river

ever flows, their thirst to assuage?
Grace, so like the Lord the giver,
never fails from age to age.

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Rev. Kelley Shin

Holy God, you call us to repentance and new life and we claim that new life with our lips, but fail to live real lives of repentance. We ignore your law and its summons to life. We content ourselves with good intentions, but always find convenient excuses along the way. Forgive us our foolishness in turning from you. Forgive us our sin, our steadfast refusal to trust and follow you alone. Give us the strength and courage to follow where our master led...*(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

Loralei Harding

Anthem

I Surrender All

arr. by Darryl Collier

Loralei Harding, Megan Rehberg, Amber Voss, Sharon Kohnle,
Darryl Collier, Josh Hakala, Brench Boden, Aaron Gouge, *vocalists*

Prayer for Illumination

Reading

Exodus 17:1-7

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarreled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?" But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?" So Moses cried out to the Lord, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." The Lord said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the Lord, saying, "Is the Lord among us or not?"

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

What Have You Done For Me Lately?

Rev. Brian Maguire

Hymn 475*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

Nettleton

1 Come, thou Fount of every blessing;
tune my heart to sing thy grace;
streams of mercy, never ceasing,
call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
sung by flaming tongues above;
praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it,
mount of God's unchanging love!

2 Here I raise my Ebenezer;
hither by thy help I'm come;
and I hope, by thy good pleasure,
safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
wandering from the fold of God;
he, to rescue me from danger,
interposed his precious blood.

3 O to grace how great a debtor
daily I'm constrained to be!
Let that grace now, like a fetter,
bind my wandering heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
prone to leave the God I love;
here's my heart; O take and seal it;
seal it for thy courts above.

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 and Prayer of Discipleship

Hymn 39

Great Is Thy Faithfulness
Jerry Mahn, *piano*

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)

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

Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Aberystwyth

Don Hustad

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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.

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

Announcements

Kids Korner Online: Sunday 11:45am. Fairmont's online children's time provides important opportunities for children Pre-Kindergarten - 5th grade. Join us after worship on Sundays for a mixed-age Sunday School class. Watch for links in our weekly Beside Still Waters and Kids Korner emails or here:

Kidz Korner Online (PreK-5th grade): Sunday, 11:45am

Zoom Meeting Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85778268480>

Zoom Meeting ID: 857 7826 8480

Connections: Healing Our Pain - Wednesday nights at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom we will be sharing together in Resmaa Menakem's work on trauma and race. Each class will include video presentations and discussion. If you want to go deeper, copies of Menakem's companion book, *My Grandmother's Hands*, are available for purchase in the church office for \$16.00. Additional copies are available for borrowing in the church library. Please join us for this important work so that we can all be a part of the healing.

Connections: Wednesday, 7:00pm

Zoom Meeting Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81271879988>

Zoom Meeting ID: 812 7187 9988

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 Exodus 20:1-20. 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

Theology on Tap: Join us for Theology on Tap every first and third Friday of each month 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

"Fairmont, did you know that we support Choices Group Home Ministry?" Pre-pandemic, Fairmont volunteers met monthly with 6 lovely ladies, aged 55-65 years with a variety of disabilities, to make crafts and share time together. Since COVID19, we have had to suspend these get-togethers. The Missions team would like to connect with this group of ladies, since they have been so isolated. We know that they love getting letters in the mail, so a little card shower would bring them great joy. We will be collecting cards at the Fairmont church office during the week of October 12th and October 19th, which will then be hand delivered to the Choices Group Home. Here are some suggestions, should you decide to participate in our Group Home Card Shower Mission:

1. The Group Home ladies may not understand humorous cards. They do love glittery cards, or cards with animals or flowers on them. They would also appreciate handmade cards if you wish to go that route.
2. Inside the card, please address it to "My Friend" or "Dear Friend."
3. Please PRINT your message. Some of the ladies are able to read print, but not cursive writing.
4. Please include "a friend from Fairmont Church" with the signature line. The ladies recognize "Fairmont Church" and associate that with our visits with them.
5. Do not write anything on the outside of the envelope. We will make sure that each of the 6 ladies gets an equal number of cards, so blank envelopes will enable us to sort cards and assign a name to each.
6. If you are able, please drop your card(s) off at the Fairmont church office. If you would like to mail them to Fairmont in a separate envelope, that is also an option.

7. We will also be accepting cards at the October 25th Tailgate Party!
Thank you so much for helping with our mission to brighten the lives of our Choices Group Home Ladies!
"Your Mission Team"

Fairmont's 75th Anniversary Celebration Picnic: Fairmont Presbyterian Church is celebrating its 75th anniversary this fall and YOU are invited to celebrate with us! Join us on Sunday, October 25th at 12:30 p.m. for an **Outdoor Parking Lot Tailgate Picnic** as we celebrate God's gracious love shown through 75 years of ministry at Fairmont. We will observe all COVID-safe practices (social distancing, cleansing of hands, masks) as we tailgate every-other parking spot in the lower and the upper parking lots of the church. Staff and Session Team volunteers will be on hand to maintain safe practices in this time of social distancing.

The church will be providing a boxed lunch for everyone who RSVPs with the church at jmason@fairmontchurch.org or by calling (937) 299-3539. We MUST have an RSVP for each person who is planning to attend so that we can order the boxed lunches. Even if you do not want to eat or if you want to bring your own lunch PLEASE RSVP by October 20th so that we can plan accordingly.

Join us for a wonderful time outdoors on Sunday, October 25th as we celebrate the 75th anniversary of Fairmont Presbyterian Church! Remember to RSVP at jmason@fairmontchurch.org or (937) 299-3539 and let us know if you are coming and if you want a boxed lunch.

Trunk or Treat Volunteers Needed: Get your costumes ready! Trunk-or-Treat will be held in the church parking lot Saturday, October 31st from 5 to 6pm, weather permitting! This event is open to our church congregation only. It will not be publicized to the community this year to reduce crowding. Safety is very important to us! We will be outdoors, practicing social distancing, wearing masks, and implementing various other safety measures to minimize risk.

Volunteers are needed to hand out treats! If you feel safe to do so, please reach out to Lorelei Harding.

Would You Like to Get Fairmont's Newsletters?

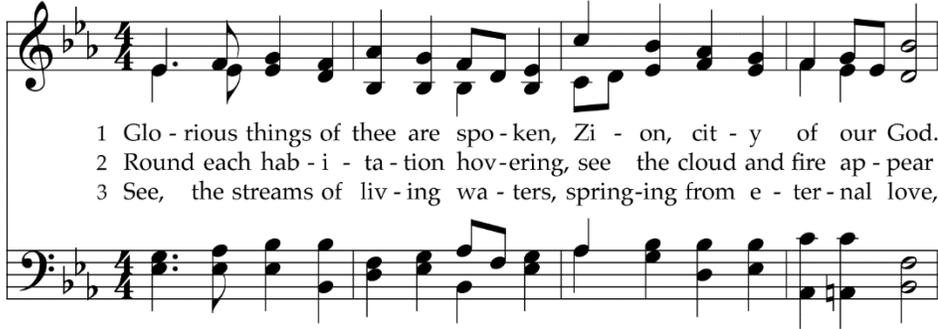
Would you or someone you know like to receive our twice-weekly email newsletter? In addition to our monthly Call newsletter, every Tuesday we send out Besides Still Waters with brief devotions by the staff and members along with invitations upcoming ministry events. Every Friday we send out Fridays from Fairmont with reflections on that Sunday's Bible lesson and information about weekend programs. If you or someone you know would like to receive these emails please send your email address to Jennifer Mason at jmason@fairmontchurch.org. As always you can opt out at any time.

Worship Staff

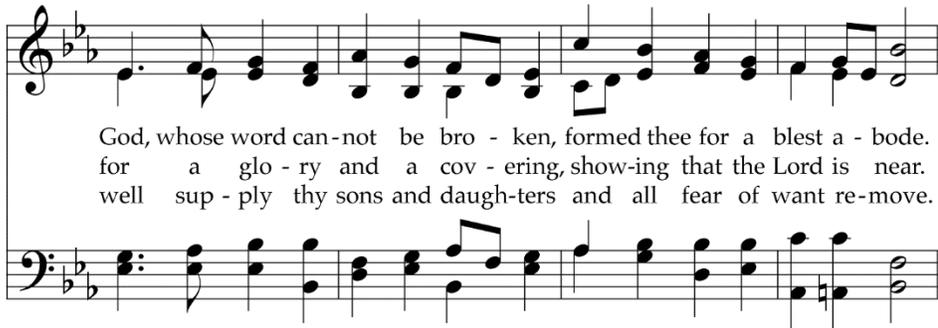
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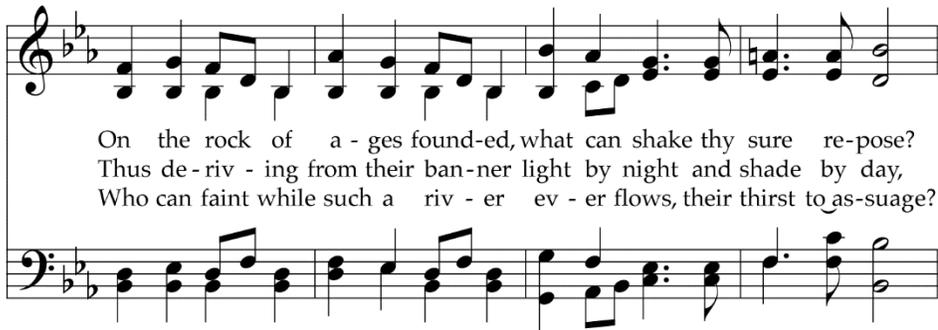
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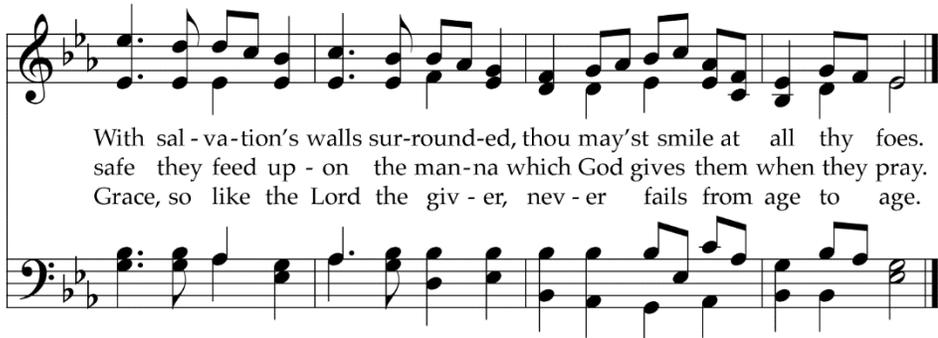
1 Glo - rious things of thee are spo - ken, Zi - on, cit - y of our God.
2 Round each hab - i - ta - tion hov - ering, see the cloud and fire ap - pear
3 See, the streams of liv - ing wa - ters, spring - ing from e - ter - nal love,



God, whose word can - not be bro - ken, formed thee for a blest a - bode.
for a glo - ry and a cov - ering, show - ing that the Lord is near.
well sup - ply thy sons and daugh - ters and all fear of want re - move.



On the rock of a - ges found - ed, what can shake thy sure re - pose?
Thus de - riv - ing from their ban - ner light by night and shade by day,
Who can faint while such a riv - er ev - er flows, their thirst to as - suage?



With sal - va - tion's walls sur - round - ed, thou may'st smile at all thy foes.
safe they feed up - on the man - na which God gives them when they pray.
Grace, so like the Lord the giv - er, nev - er fails from age to age.

The Nazi appropriation of this tune for propoganda purposes has clouded a noble piece of music first associated with this text in 1889. In a 1779 collection, the author indicated that this hymn is primarily based on Isaiah 33:20-21 with allusions to several other passages.

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing 475

1 Come, thou Fount of ev-ery bless-ing; tune my heart to sing thy grace;
 2 Here I raise my Eb - e - ne - zer; hith-er by thy help I'm come;
 3 O to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con-strained to be!

streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud-est praise.
 and I hope, by thy good plea-sure, safe-ly to ar - rive at home.
 Let that grace now, like a fet - ter, bind my wan-dering heart to thee.

Teach me some me - lo-dious son - net, sung by flam-ing tongues a-bove;
 Je - sus sought me when a strang-er, wan-dering from the fold of God;
 Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;

praise the mount! I'm fixed up - on it, mount of God's un-chang-ing love!
 he, to res - cue me from dan-ger, in - ter-posed his pre-cious blood.
 here's my heart; O take and seal it; seal it for thy courts a - bove.

Written for Pentecost by a British Baptist pastor, this text is full of biblical terms like "Ebenezer" (1 Samuel 7:12), Hebrew for "a stone of help" set up to give thanks for God's assistance. The tune name honors hymnal compiler Asahel Nettleton, who probably did not compose it.

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.

