



Fairmont Presbyterian Church
Kettering, Ohio
October 9, 2022

FAIRMONT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Order of Service for the Worship of God

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

October 9, 2022

10:30am

18th Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Brian Maguire

Prelude

Mit Freuden Zart

Brenda Portman

Call to Worship (Psalm 145)

Leader: I will extol you, my God and King, and bless your name forever and ever.

People: Every day I will bless you, and praise your name forever and ever.

Leader: Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised; your greatness is unsearchable.

People: One generation shall laud your works to another and shall declare your mighty acts.

Leader: They shall celebrate the fame of your abundant goodness, and shall sing aloud of your righteousness. The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. So come and let us worship the LORD!

Hymn 645

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

Mit Freuden Zart

1 Sing praise to God who reigns above,
the God of all creation,
the God of power, the God of love,
the God of our salvation.
With healing balm my soul is filled,
and every faithless murmur stilled:
to God all praise and glory!

2 What God's almighty power has made
God's gracious mercy keepeth;
by morning glow or evening shade
God's watchful eye ne'er sleepeth.
Within the kingdom of God's might,
lo! all is just and all is right:
to God all praise and glory!

3 The Lord is never far away,
but, through all grief distressing,
an ever-present help and stay,
our peace and joy and blessing,
as with a mother's tender hand

God gently leads the chosen band:
to God all praise and glory!

4 Thus all my toilsome way along
I sing aloud thy praises,
that all may hear the grateful song
my voice unwearied raises.
Be joyful in the Lord, my heart;
both soul and body, take your part:
to God all praise and glory!

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

**Gracious and merciful God, you bestow your grace freely upon us leading us to new life.
Yet we hoard what you would graciously share. You love us despite all our failures. Yet we
fail to show even concern for our neighbor. Forgive us our self-centered ignorance, forgive
us our pride, forgive us our sin. And do not merely forgive us for what we have failed to do,
but change us from within to share your love with our neighbor and with all creation...**
(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

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.
People: **And also with you.**

Time with Our Children

Loralei Harding

Anthem

Let Everything that Hath Breath
Chancel Choir

Jeffrey L. Ames

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

Jonah 4:6-11

⁶The LORD God appointed a bush and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort, so Jonah was very happy about the bush. ⁷But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. ⁸When the sun

rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, "It is better for me to die than to live."

⁹But God said to Jonah, "Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?" And he said, "Yes, angry enough to die." ¹⁰Then the LORD said, "You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labor and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. "And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand persons who do not know their right hand from their left and also many animals?"

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Salvation Happens Anyway

Rev. Brian Maguire

Hymn 761

Called as Partners in Christ's Service

Beecher

1 Called as partners in Christ's service,
called to ministries of grace,
we respond with deep commitment
fresh new lines of faith to trace.
May we learn the art of sharing,
side by side and friend with friend,
equal partners in our caring
to fulfill God's chosen end.

2 Christ's example, Christ's inspiring,
Christ's clear call to work and worth,
let us follow, never faltering,
reconciling folk on earth.
Men and women, richer, poorer,
all God's people, young and old,
blending human skills together
gracious gifts from God unfold.

3 Thus new patterns for Christ's mission,
in a small or global sense,
help us bear each other's burdens,
breaking down each wall or fence.
Words of comfort, words of vision,
words of challenge, said with care,
bring new power and strength for action,
make us colleagues, free and fair.

4 So God grant us for tomorrow
ways to order human life
that surround each person's sorrow

with a calm that conquers strife.
Make us partners in our living,
our compassion to increase,
messengers of faith, thus giving
hope and confidence and peace.

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.

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

The First Commandment
Coleman Clark, soloist

Beatrice Clifford

Prayer of Discipleship

Hymn 766

The Church of Christ Cannot Be Bound
verses 1, 4-5

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1 The church of Christ cannot be bound
by walls of wood or stone.
Where charity and love are found
there can the church be known.

4 If what we have we freely share
to meet our neighbor's need,
then we extend the Spirit's care
through every selfless deed.

5 The church of Christ cannot be bound

by walls
of wood or stone.
Where charity and love are found,
there can the church be known.

Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Beecher

Donald Hustad

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Within the Fellowship

The flowers this morning are given by Kathy and Pete Shafer in honor of Kathy's father, Harry Bradbury.

There will be a memorial service for Richard Sherwood on Friday, October 14, 2022 at 3:30 p.m. in the sanctuary.

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

Connections 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

October 12	1 st Samuel 25 David and Abigail
October 19	2 nd Samuel 11 The Rape of Bathsheba
October 26	2 nd Samuel 13 Rape of Tamar and Rebellion of Absalom

Bible Study Thursday evenings 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 Isaiah 5:1-3. You are invited.

Thursdays, 7:00pm

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

Meeting ID: 820 0253 6057

Children's Sabbath. Join us next Sunday during 10:30am worship as we celebrate the children of Fairmont and are blessed by their leadership!

Trunk or Treat: October 29, 4pm. Get your costumes ready! Our annual Trunk-or-Treat will be held in the church parking lot on Saturday, October 29th from 4 to 5 pm! **Volunteers are needed** to provide and hand out treats from their cars! Sign up by contacting Lorelei Harding.

Save the NEW date for Fairmont Family Night ! Join us for our October "Breakfast for Dinner" on **Friday, October 21, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.** Fairmont children, youth, and their families will be meeting for a fun evening of dinner, games, and fellowship. For questions, contact Lorelei Harding or Pastor Kelley.

All Church Fall Fun Outing. Join us and the Youth Group for our Fall Fun Outing on Sunday October 23. We will rendezvous at 2:00 p.m. at the Apple Country Farm Market at 2323 Route 42, just south of Xenia. We will be enjoying their corn maze, apple harvest, and pumpkin patches. Everyone is invited to join us for this fun seasonal gathering.

Do you like to sing? Try the Choir! If you like to sing (no experience, training, or notation reading necessary) then come and try our chancel choir. The choir meets to practice every Thursday night from 7:15 to 8:30 p.m. in the choir room downstairs. Come and experience the shared beauty of raising our voices together in song. Everybody is welcome!

FIT 4 YOU-Do you find yourself reaching for the pew in front of you when standing to sing in church? Then, you may want to consider joining Fairmont's wellness program, FIT 4 YOU. This program is a progressive strength, balance, and flexibility exercise program for adult men and women of all levels of ability. FIT 4 YOU meets every Tuesday and Friday from 11:00 am to 12:00 pm, and in addition to exercise, the group instruction fosters social interaction, fellowship, and support. We have a great time. Join us!

The 2022 Art, Antique and Craft Show is Saturday, November 12: We need your help to make the 2022 *Art, Antique and Craft Show* a success. The show is scheduled for Saturday, November 12, 9:00-3:00 and you can help us raise money for the Hunger Missions in our area. This year we are also giving to World Food Kitchen. Here are some ways you can help:

Volunteer your time:

- Help move sale items from the basement to the Choir Room on **Monday, November 7**. We will start around 9 A.M. and work until the job is finished. **Please contact Carolyn Wimer at (937)705-6451 to volunteer for this task.** The more help we get, the less time it will take!
- Volunteers are needed the **day of the Show, Saturday, November 12**, starting at 9am. **Please contact Kathy Akers (937) 298-5598 or Carol Lamberger (937) 298-8567 to sign up.** It is a fun and fulfilling day!

Giving Opportunities:

- **Vintage Room Sale: Still collecting items** - jewelry, broken gold chains, seasonal items, cookbooks, Christmas trees and ornaments, lamps, collectibles, pottery, canning jars (quarts & pints), antiques, and other items
- **Bake Sale:** We need your holiday treats! Please plan to bring in your bake sale donations on Friday, November 11. We will be getting together for dipping Buckeyes and other goodies on Monday,

November 7 starting at 9am in the church kitchen. Look for a sign-up sheet in Fellowship Hall or reach out to **Christy Maynard at (937) 232-2757 or Kelly Coan (937) 470-3427** with questions.

● **Luncheon:** Pie bakers needed! The luncheon will include the sale of pie (by the slice). Contact Karan Bowden at (937) 307-6532.

● **Silent Auction Items needed:** Please consider donating a higher valued item for the Silent Auction. Contact Kerri Miles at (937) 829-0276 if you have an idea or questions. Be creative -the item could be a service that you can provide or something that you can teach.

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ART, ANTIQUE, & CRAFT SHOW

NOVEMBER 12, 2022
9AM - 3PM

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT LOCAL FOOD MISSIONS

30+ UNIQUE VENDORS & ARTISANS!

SILENT AUCTION

BAKE SALE

VINTAGE BOUTIQUE

HOMEMADE SOUPS

HOME COOKED LUNCHEON



THANKSGIVING

645 Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

1 Sing praise to God who reigns a - bove, the God of all
 2 What God's al-might - y power has made God's gra - cious mer -
 3 The Lord is nev - er far a - way, but, through all grief
 4 Thus all my toil-some way a - long I sing a - loud

cre - a - tion, the God of power, the God of love,
 cy keep - eth; by morn - ing glow or eve - ning shade
 dis - tress - ing, an ev - er - pres - ent help and stay,
 thy prais - es, that all may hear the grate - ful song

the God of our sal - va - tion. With
 God's watch - ful eye ne'er sleep - eth. With -
 our peace and joy and bless - ing, as
 my voice un - wea - ried rais - es. Be

heal - ing balm my soul is filled, and ev - ery faith - less
 in the king - dom of God's might, lo! all is just and
 with a moth - er's ten - der hand God gent - ly leads the
 joy - ful in the Lord, my heart; both soul and bod - y,

The regal divine imagery here will not be new to most singers, but some may not expect the third stanza's image of God as mother. Yet it is part of God's self-description in Isaiah 66:13. This Bohemian Brethren tune resembles both Genevan psalm tunes and French folk songs.

THANKSGIVING

mur-mur stilled:
all is right: to God all praise and glo - ry!
cho - sen band:
take your part:

The musical score is written for a choir and piano. The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is 4/4. The vocal part (treble clef) begins with a half note G4, followed by a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, and a half note C5. The piano accompaniment (bass clef) begins with a half note G2, followed by a quarter note A2, a quarter note B2, and a half note C3. The lyrics are: "mur-mur stilled: all is right: to God all praise and glo - ry! cho - sen band: take your part:". The score ends with a double bar line.

Called as Partners in Christ's Service 761

1 Called as part-ners in Christ's ser-vice, called to min-is-tries of grace,
 2 Christ's ex-am-ple, Christ's in-spir-ing, Christ's clear call to work and worth,
 3 Thus new pat-terns for Christ's mis-sion, in a small or glob-al sense,
 4 So God grant us for to - mor-row ways to or - der hu - man life

we re-pond with deep com-mit-ment fresh new lines of faith to trace.
 let us fol-low, nev - er fal-tering, rec - on - cil - ing folk on earth.
 help us bear each oth - er's bur-dens, break-ing down each wall or fence.
 that sur-round each per - son's sor-row with a calm that con-que-rs strife.

May we learn the art of shar-ing, side by side and friend with friend,
 Men and wom-en, rich - er, poor - er, all God's peo-ple, young and old,
 Words of com-fort, words of vi-sion, words of chal-lenge, said with care,
 Make us part-ners in our liv - ing, our com-pas-sion to in - crease,

e - qual part-ners in our car-ing to ful - fill God's cho - sen end.
 blend-ing hu - man skills to - geth - er gra-cious gifts from God un - fold.
 bring new power and strength for ac-tion, make us col-leagues, free and fair.
 mes - sen-gers of faith, thus giv-ing hope and con - fi - dence and peace.

This hymn is a celebration of mutuality and diversity as well as a challenge to the Christian community to live out a ministry of reconciliation and inclusion. This 20th-century text is set to a 19th-century tune named for the noted pastor and preacher Henry Ward Beecher.

766 The Church of Christ Cannot Be Bound

1 The church of Christ can - not be bound by
 2 True faith will o - pen up the door and
 3 True love will not sit i - dly by when
 4 If what we have we free - ly share to
 5 The church of Christ can - not be bound by

walls of wood or stone. Where char - i - ty and
 step in - to the street. True ser - vice will seek
 jus - tice is de - nied. True mer - cy hears the
 meet our neigh - bor's need, then we ex - tend the
 walls of wood or stone. Where char - i - ty and

love are found, there can the church be known.
 out the poor and ask to wash their feet.
 home - less cry and wel - comes them in - side.
 Spir - it's care through ev - ery self - less deed.
 love are found, there can the church be known.

This text was the winning entry in a hymnwriting competition seeking new texts dealing with poverty and homelessness, but as the stanza sung at the beginning and end of the hymn makes clear, such specific ministries grow out of an understanding of the church as love in action.

