



Fairmont Presbyterian Church
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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.

March 21, 2021

10:30am

5th Sunday in Lent

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Brian Maguire

Prelude

In the Cross of Christ I Glory

Wilbur Held

Call to Worship (Psalm 51)

Leader: Have mercy on us, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out our transgressions.

People: Wash us thoroughly from our iniquity, and cleanse us from our sin.

Leader: Create in us a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within us.

People: Do not cast us away from your presence, and do not take your holy spirit from us.

Leader: Restore to us the joy of your salvation and sustain in us a willing spirit.

Hymn 374

O Holy City, Seen of John

Morning Song

1 O holy city, seen of John,
where Christ, the Lamb, does reign,
within whose four-square walls shall come
no night, nor need, nor pain,
and where the tears are wiped from eyes
that shall not weep again!

2 O shame to us who rest content
while lust and greed for gain
in street and shop and tenement
wring gold from human pain,
and bitter lips in deep despair
cry, "Christ has died in vain!"

3 Give us, O God, the strength to build
the city that has stood
too long a dream; whose laws are love,
whose ways are servanthood,
and where the sun that shines becomes
your grace for human good.

4 Already in the mind of God
that city rises fair.

Lo, how its splendor challenges
the souls that greatly dare,
and bids us seize the whole of life
and build its glory there.

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Rev. Kelley Shin

Gracious Lord, you alone hold dominion over our world and our lives. But we turn away from you and each pursue our own wants. We presume that we live in a world of our own making and control, or we lose ourselves to anxiety and despair. We fail to mark the time and the seasons of your redeeming work and neglect our role in it. Forgive us our pride and sloth. Forgive our foolishness. Forgive us our sin. Redirect our lives to not merely wait and watch for your Kingdom, but to participate in its emergence today...*(silent prayer)*...Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Gloria Patri No. 581

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

And Can It Be
The Virtual Choir

by Dan Forrest

Prayer for Illumination

Reading

Mark 13:1-8, 32-36

As [Jesus] came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!" Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down."

When [Jesus] was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, "Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?" Then Jesus began to say to them, "Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs. . . .

[A]bout that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when

he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake.”

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Picardy Thirds and Other Hopes

Rev. Brian Maguire

Hymn 347

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence
(verses 1-3)

Picardy

1 Let all mortal flesh keep silence,
and with fear and trembling stand;
ponder nothing earthly minded,
for with blessing in his hand
Christ our God to earth descendeth,
our full homage to demand.

2 King of kings, yet born of Mary,
as of old on earth he stood,
Lord of lords, in human vesture,
in the body and the blood,
he will give to all the faithful
his own self for heavenly food.

3 Rank on rank the host of heaven
spreads its vanguard on the way,
as the Light of light descendeth
from the realms of endless day,
that the powers of hell may vanish
as the shadows clear away.

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 350 *Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning* Keep Your Lamps

1 Keep your lamps trimmed and burning;
keep your lamps trimmed and burning;
keep your lamps trimmed and burning,
for the time is drawing nigh.

Refrain:
Sisters, don't grow weary;
brothers, don't grow weary;
children, don't grow weary,
for the time is drawing nigh.

2 It's our faith makes us happy;
it's our faith makes us happy;
it's our faith makes us happy,
for the time is drawing nigh. (Refrain)

3 We are climbing Jacob's ladder;
we are climbing Jacob's ladder;
we are climbing Jacob's ladder,
for the time is drawing nigh. (Refrain)

4 Every round goes higher, higher;
every round goes higher, higher;
every round goes higher, higher,
for the time is drawing nigh. (Refrain)

Charge and Benediction

Postlude *Improvisation on "Picardy"* David Wehr

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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

Kidz 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/86575832345>

Zoom Meeting ID: 865 7583 2345

PYC Fairmont Youth: Sunday 1:30pm Fairmont's Youth meet every Sunday at 1:30 p.m. via Zoom for a time of Bible Study, Fellowship, and Fun.

PYC Fairmont Youth (6th – 12th grade): Sunday, 1:30pm

Zoom Meeting Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85978434870>

Zoom Meeting ID: 859 7843 4870

Lenten School: The 24 Hours That Changed the World: Come join us on Monday or Wednesday nights at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom as we learn about luminaries from our tradition who have guided our path.

Connections: Monday or Wednesday, 7:00pm

Zoom Meeting Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84170790852>

Zoom Meeting ID: 841 7079 0852

Using Adam Hamilton's Book, *The 24 Hours That Changed The World*, we will be exploring what happened, why, and what it means for us and for our world. Each class will include a short video presentation, comparative Bible study and discussion led by Pastor Kelley and Pastor Brian. This course is intended for adults as well as teenagers and older elementary age children. Come and join us on Zoom and invite your friends.

There are two ways you can participate in this course and you can do both. First, please simply come. For those who do not wish to do any preparation the Monday and Wednesday courses will provide more than enough to stir your imagination. Second, if you want to go deeper in your understanding, we invite you to follow along with the companion book, *The 24 Hours That Changed The World*, available from Amazon and other booksellers for around \$9.00. Additionally, there are age-appropriate books for children as well. If you would like the church to order any of these for you, please contact the church office.

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 Mark 11:1-10. 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/86422990477>

Zoom Meeting ID: 864 2299 047

Fourth Friday Family Pizza: It's time for our March Fourth Friday Pizza Dinner meeting on Zoom! Mark your calendar for Friday, March 26th at 6:00 p.m. Order pizza to be delivered to your home, make your own pizza, or pop a frozen pizza in the oven! However you get your pizza just be ready to go by 6:00 p.m. Watch for the Fourth Friday Pizza Dinner Zoom link in *Besides Still Waters* and *Fridays from Fairmont* emails or contact Pastor Kelley at kshin@fairmontchurch.org.

3rd Sunday Mission Project for March: Community Medical Staff Thank You!

For this month's project of sharing our Love and Appreciation, we are recognizing our local Medical/Hospital Personnel. We would like folks to send a note or card to a local hospital, or medical staff that you know personally. You might also consider Fairmont Members who work in health care. I bet that they would love drawings created by your children! Certainly, you can send to whichever local hospital or medical person you desire but here are addresses for those closest to church:

Foundation Office at Miami Valley Hospital
1 Wyoming Street
Dayton, OH 45409

Patient Relations (for Staff)
Kettering Medical Center
3535 Southern Blvd
Dayton, OH 45429

The Annual Cookie Walk held in December by the Women of Fairmont organization was not able to be held this past year, due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

The Cookie Walk is one of the Women of Fairmont's most profitable fund raisers, with proceeds used to support various charitable missions. With that in mind, a "modified Cookie Walk", or Cookie Drive-By, will be held on Sunday, April 11 from 12:00-1:00 p.m.

Cookies will be homemade by Circle members and will be packaged in one- or two-pound boxes. You may order cookies by calling or texting Cindy Cavey at 937-245-1787 or emailing to ccavey@roadrunner.com, or you may place your order with Jennifer Mason at the church by calling 937-299-3539 or emailing jmason@fairmontchurch.org. Please indicate the number of pounds you would like to purchase at \$8.00/pound. Please place your order by Wednesday, April 7, to allow ample baking time. We will meet you at your car in the church parking lot on April 11 between 12:00 and 1:00 p.m. with your cookies. Payment for cookies may be made by cash or check at the time of pick up. Please follow CDC guidelines by wearing a mask.

Please note, that the boxes will contain an assortment of homemade cookies, and we are not able to provide ingredients for allergy consideration.

If you would prefer to support the Cookie Drive-By by making a donation, those will be gratefully accepted by mailing them to the church office and referencing Women of Fairmont Cookie Drive-By.

Thank you for supporting the Women of Fairmont and their charitable missions.

CUB SCOUT PACK 28: It's been over a year since we met at Fairmont, but Cub Scout Pack 28 continues to meet socially distanced and safely in-person due to the incredible creativity of its leaders, and our amazing Kettering City and Five Rivers parks. Recently, we graduated five Cubs to Scouts into Troops 320 and 236! Many, many THANKS to all of you because this would not be possible without the support of you - Fairmont Presbyterian Church. We hope to have the Cubs serve the congregation during a future Scout Sunday. Recruitment is incredibly difficult. Please support us so that we can get more children involved in a group that values family, nature and resilience over individual electronics. If you know any girls or boys in K-4th grades or your family is interested in Scouts, please check us out on Facebook fb.com/pack28ketteringoh, or contact me, Kirsten Sherk, Committee Chair kmsherk@aol.com or c/t 937-272-1837 with questions or thoughts.

In the coming weeks/months, we are looking for those who may be interested in monitoring some of our evening meetings. If you are 16 and above and have interest in this employment, please call or email Jennifer at the church office at jmason@fairmontchurch.org or (937) 299-3539.

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O Holy City, Seen of John 374

1 O ho - ly cit - y, seen of John, where Christ, the
 2 O shame to us who rest con - tent while lust and
 3 Give us, O God, the strength to build the cit - y
 4 Al - read - y in the mind of God that cit - y

Lamb, does reign, with - in whose four-square walls shall come no
 greed for gain in street and shop and ten - e - ment wring
 that has stood too long a dream; whose laws are love, whose
 ris - es fair. Lo, how its splen - dor chal - len - ges the

night, nor need, nor pain, and where the tears are
 gold from hu - man pain, and bit - ter lips in
 ways are ser - vant - hood, and where the sun that
 souls that great - ly dare, and bids us seize the

wiped from eyes that shall not weep a - gain!
 deep de - spair cry, "Christ has died in vain!"
 shines be - comes your grace for hu - man good.
 whole of life and build its glo - ry there.

Unlike texts that treat the heavenly Jerusalem as a goal for the life to come, this hymn regards John's vision as a challenge to work here and now for the accomplishment of God's purposes on earth. The shape note tune provides an effective setting for this stirring text.

TEXT: Walter Russell Bowie, 1909, alt.

MUSIC: Wyeth's *Repository of Sacred Music*, 1813; harm. C. Winfred Douglas, 1940
Music Harm. © 1943, 1961, 1985 Church Pension Fund

MORNING SONG

8.6.8.6.8.6

(alternate harmonization, 653)

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence 347

Capo 3: (Bm) Dm (G) B \flat (D) F (Bm) Dm (C) E \flat



1 Let all mor - tal flesh keep si - lence, and with fear and
 2 King of kings, yet born of Mar - y, as of old on
 3 Rank on rank the host of heav - en spreads its van-guard
 4 At his feet the six - winged ser - aph, cher - u - bim, with

(G) B \flat (F \sharp) A (G) B \flat (D) F (Em) Gm



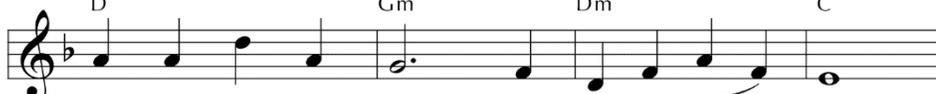
trem - bling stand; pon - der noth - ing earth - ly
 earth he stood, Lord of lords, in hu - man
 on the way, as the Light of light de -
 sleep - less eye, veil their fac - es to the

(Bm) Dm (C) E \flat (G) B \flat (D) F



mind - ed, for with bless - ing in his hand
 ves - ture, in the bod - y and the blood,
 scend - eth from the realms of end - less day,
 pres - ence, as with cease - less voice they cry,

(B) D (Em) Gm (Bm) Dm (A) C



Christ our God to earth de - scend - eth,
 he will give to all the faith - ful
 that the powers of hell may van - ish
 "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

(Bm) Dm (Em) Gm (F \sharp m) Am (Bm) Dm



our full hom - age to de - mand.
 his own self for heaven - ly food.
 as the shad - ows clear a - way.
 al - le - lu - ia, Lord most high!"

The flowering of English hymnody in the 19th century included the rediscovery, translation, and versification of ancient Christian hymns, such as this text from one of the earliest existing Christian liturgies. It is set here to an adaptation of a 17th-century French melody.

350 Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning

1 Keep your lamps trimmed and burn - ing; keep your
 2 It's our faith makes us hap - py; it's our
 3 We are climb - ing Ja - cob's lad - der; we are
 4 Ev - ery round goes high - er, high - er; ev - ery

lamps trimmed and burn - ing; keep your lamps
 faith makes us hap - py; it's our faith
 climb - ing Ja - cob's lad - der; we are climb - ing
 round goes high - er, high - er; ev - ery round goes

trimmed and burn - ing, for the time is draw - ing nigh.
 makes us hap - py, for the time is draw - ing nigh.
 Ja - cob's lad - der, for the time is draw - ing nigh.
 high - er, high - er, for the time is draw - ing nigh.

Refrain

Sis - ters, don't grow wea - ry; broth - ers, don't grow wea - ry;

This African American spiritual has a biblical basis in the parable of the ten maidens (Matthew 25:1–13), but the text actually sung could vary greatly. Such variation can be seen here in the annexing of an often freestanding spiritual based on Jacob's vision (Genesis 28:10–17).

CHRIST'S RETURN AND JUDGMENT

chil-dren, don't grow wea-ry, for the time is draw-ing nigh.

The musical score consists of two staves. The upper staff is in treble clef with a key signature of three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat) and a common time signature. It features a vocal melody with lyrics: "chil-dren, don't grow wea-ry, for the time is draw-ing nigh." The lower staff is in bass clef with the same key signature and time signature, providing a piano accompaniment of chords and bass notes.