



**Fairmont Presbyterian Church
Kettering, Ohio
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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 14, 2021

10:30am

4th Sunday in Lent

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Brian Maguire

Prelude

Great is Thy Faithfulness

William Runyan

Call to Worship (Psalm 146)

Jerry Mahn

Leader: Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, O my soul!

People: I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God all my life long.

Leader: Do not put your trust in princes, in mortals, in whom there is no help.

People: Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord their God, who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them; who keeps faith forever;

Leader: The Lord will reign forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations. Come let us Praise the Lord!

Hymn 275

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Ein' Feste Burg

1 A mighty fortress is our God,
a bulwark never failing.
Our helper he, amid the flood
of mortal ills prevailing.
For still our ancient foe
doth seek to work us woe.
His craft and power are great,
and armed with cruel hate,
on earth is not his equal.

2 Did we in our own strength confide,
our striving would be losing,
were not the right man on our side,
the man of God's own choosing.
Dost ask who that may be?
Christ Jesus, it is he.
Lord Sabaoth his name,
from age to age the same,
and he must win the battle.

3 And though this world, with devils filled,
should threaten to undo us,
we will not fear, for God hath willed
his truth to triumph through us.
The Prince of Darkness grim,
we tremble not for him.
His rage we can endure,
for lo, his doom is sure.
One little word shall fell him.

4 That word above all earthly powers,
no thanks to them, abideth.
The Spirit and the gifts are ours
through him who with us sideth.
Let goods and kindred go,
this mortal life also.
The body they may kill;
God's truth abideth still.
His kingdom is forever.

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Rev. Kelley Shin

God of belonging, you call us home but we ignore your voice and wander away. We surrender to fear and anxieties rather than stand confident in your trust. We draw boundaries between sisters and brothers where you would call us to embrace. Forgive us of our sin and redeem our lives. Renew your Spirit's power within us and lead us to a new way of living. Teach us to love as Jesus loved, humbling ourselves before your majesty and opening our lives to the needs of others, to glorify your holy name... (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

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded

arr. by Joel Raney

Brench Boden, *baritone*; Sam Boden, *trombone*; Judy Bede, *piano*

Prayer for Illumination

Reading

Mark 12:28-34

²⁸ One of the scribes came near and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that he answered them well, he asked him, “Which commandment is the first of all?” ²⁹ Jesus answered, “The first is, ‘Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one; ³⁰ you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.’ ³¹ The second is this, ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ There is no other commandment greater than these.” ³² Then the scribe said to him, “You are right, Teacher; you have truly said that ‘he is one, and besides him there is no other’; ³³ and ‘to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the strength,’ and ‘to love one’s neighbor as oneself,—this is much more important than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices.’” ³⁴ When Jesus saw that he answered wisely, he said to him, “You are not far from the kingdom of God.” After that no one dared to ask him any question.

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

Sermon Life: some instructions required Rev. Brian Maguire

Hymn 697 *Take My Life* (verses 1, 3, 5) Hendon

1 Take my life and let it be
consecrated, Lord, to thee;
take my moments and my days;
let them flow in ceaseless praise;
let them flow in ceaseless praise.

3 Take my voice and let me sing
always, only, for my King;
take my lips and let them be
filled with messages from thee,
filled with messages from thee.

5 Take my will and make it thine;
it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne,
it shall be thy royal throne.

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.

Litany of Remembrance

Leader: O God, you are our God; we trust in you.
People: Our soul waits for the Lord; God is our refuge and strength.
Leader: Today we mark one year of the coronavirus pandemic and we remember.
People: We remember life as it used to be. We remember all that we have lost. We remember all who have died this past year because of COVID-19.
Leader: Today, we remember, and we grieve. We name that grief and lift it before you, O God. Lord in your mercy...
People: Hear our prayer.
Leader: Today we also hope.
People: We hope for healing. We hope for wisdom. We hope for patience.
Leader: And today we share.
People: We share our love with one another. We share our joys and our sorrows. We share our dreams for the future.
Leader: God you are with us, all the time.
People: All the time, you are with us, O God. Be with us as we remember, hope, and share.
Leader: Friends in Christ, weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning. May we find healing and hope in our remembering.

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	My Jesus, I Love Thee Jerry Mahn, pianist	Featherstone and Gordon
1 My Jesus, I love Thee, I know Thou art mine; For Thee all the follies of sin I resign; My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art Thou; If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.		
2 I love Thee because Thou hast first loved me, And purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree; I love Thee for wearing the thorns on Thy brow; If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.		
3 I'll love Thee in life, I will love Thee in death, And praise Thee as long as Thou lendest me breath; And say when the death dew lies cold on my brow, If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.		

4 In mansions of glory and endless delight,
I'll ever adore Thee in heaven so bright;
I'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow,
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

Charge and Benediction

Postlude A Mighty Fortress Michael Praetorius

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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 13:1-13. 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

Theology on Tap: Join us for Theology on Tap this Friday, March 19th 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, March 19th at 5:00pm

Zoom Meeting Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89247878247>

Zoom Meeting ID: 892 4787 8247

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. 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.

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

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](https://www.facebook.com/pack28ketteringoh), or contact me, Kirsten Sherk, Committee Chair kmsherk@aol.com or c/t 937-272-1837 with questions or thoughts.

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JESUS CHRIST: ASCENSION AND REIGN

275 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a bul-wark nev - er
 2 Did we in our own strength con - fide, our striv - ing would be
 3 And though this world, with dev - ils filled, should threat-en to un -
 4 That word a - bove all earth - ly powers, no thanks to them, a -

fail - ing. Our help - er he, a - mid the flood of
 los - ing, were not the right man on our side, the
 do us, we will not fear, for God hath willed his
 bid - eth. The Spir - it and the gifts are ours through

mor - tal ills pre - vail - ing. For still our an - cient foe doth
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 him who with us sid - eth. Let goods and kin - dred go, this

seek to work us woe. His craft and power are great, and
 Je - sus, it is he. Lord Sab - a - oth his name, from
 trem - ble not for him. His rage we can en - dure, for
 mor - tal life al - so. The bod - y they may kill; God's

Long before Isaac Watts began to Christianize the Psalms, Martin Luther had already done so when he created the text and tune for this, his most famous hymn, which is based on Psalm 46. Luther encouraged metrical versions of psalms as well as chanted psalms and new hymns.

JESUS CHRIST: ASCENSION AND REIGN

The musical score consists of two staves. The top staff is in treble clef, G major, and common time. It features a series of eighth-note chords followed by a sixteenth-note chord. The bottom staff is in bass clef, C major, and common time, providing harmonic support with sustained notes and chords. The lyrics are written in a narrative style, describing the conflict between Jesus and his enemies.

armed with cru - el hate, on earth is not his e - qual.
age to age the same, and he must win the bat - tle.
lo, his doom is sure. One lit - tle word shall fell him.
truth a - bid - eth still. His king - dom is for - ev - er.

Take My Life 697



1 Take my life and let it be con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;
 2 Take my hands and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love;
 3 Take my voice and let me sing al - ways, on - ly, for my King;
 4 Take my sil - ver and my gold; not a mite would I with - hold;



take my mo - ments and my days; let them flow in
 take my feet and let them be swift and beau - ti -
 take my lips and let them be filled with mes - sa -
 take my in - tel - lect and use ev - ery power as



cease - less praise; let them flow in cease - less praise.
 ful for thee, swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.
 ges from thee, filled with mes - sa - ges from thee.
 thou shalt choose, ev - ery power as thou shalt choose.



5 Take my will and make it thine;
 it shall be no longer mine.
 Take my heart, it is thine own;
 it shall be thy royal throne,
 it shall be thy royal throne.

6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour
 at thy feet its treasure store;
 take myself and I will be
 ever, only, all for thee,
 ever, only, all for thee.

This hymn of consecration radiates from the repeated word "take," resulting in a remarkably full survey of a person's attributes and possessions and giving weight to the "all" at the end. The composer of the tune was influential in the renewal of Reformed hymnody in French.