



**Fairmont Presbyterian Church
Kettering, Ohio
April 16, 2023**

FAIRMONT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Order of Service for the Worship of God

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

April 16, 2023
10:30am
2nd Sunday of Easter

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Kelley Shin

Prelude

Llanfair

Albert Travis

Call to Worship (Psalm 133)

Leader: Peace be with you.

People: How good and pleasant it is when we live together in unity.

Leader: Receive the Holy Spirit.

People: It is like precious oil on the head, the blessing of the Lord.

Leader: Do not be afraid.

People: For the Lord ordained his blessing, life forevermore.

Leader: Come, let us worship the God of love.

Hymn 236

The Strife Is O'er

Victory

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

1 The strife is o'er, the battle done;
the victory of life is won;
the song of triumph has begun.
Alleluia!

2 The powers of death have done their worst,
but Christ their legions hath dispersed:
let shouts of holy joy outburst.
Alleluia!

3 The three sad days are quickly sped;
Christ rises glorious from the dead:
all glory to our risen Head!
Alleluia!

4 Lord, by the stripes which wounded thee,
from death's dread sting thy servants free,
that we may live, and sing to thee:
Alleluia!

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Good and gracious God, we are creatures of dust, ignorant of your revelation, misunderstanding your life, death, and resurrection among us, needing forgiveness. We repent of our failure to give as you have given to us. We beg your mercy for our fallen world. We seek your Word that we may live with the love of Jesus. Be our solace in this life and always. We ask this as your children, holy and incomplete. Forgive us and lead us...(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

Anthem

Give Me Jesus
Chancel Choir

Jack Schrader

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading

Matthew 7:1-14

"Do not judge, so that you may not be judged. ²For the judgment you give will be the judgment you get, and the measure you give will be the measure you get. ³Why do you see the speck in your neighbor's eye but do not notice the log in your own eye? ⁴Or how can you say to your neighbor, 'Let me take the speck out of your eye,' while the log is in your own eye? ⁵You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your neighbor's eye.

⁶"Do not give what is holy to dogs, and do not throw your pearls before swine, or they will trample them under foot and turn and maul you.

⁷"Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. ⁸For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. ⁹Is there anyone among you who, if your child asked for bread, would give a stone? ¹⁰Or if the child asked for a fish, would give a snake? ¹¹If you, then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good things to those who ask him!

¹²"In everything do to others as you would have them do to you, for this is the Law and the Prophets.

¹³"Enter through the narrow gate, for the gate is wide and the road is easy that leads to destruction, and there are many who take it. ¹⁴For the gate is narrow and the road is hard that leads to life, and there are few who find it.

Sermon

The Narrow Gate

Rev. Kelley Shin

Hymn 693

Though I May Speak

Gift Of Love

1 Though I may speak with bravest fire,
and have the gift to all inspire,
and have not love, my words are vain,
as sounding brass, and hopeless gain.

2 Though I may give all I possess,
and striving so my love profess,
but not be given by love within,
the profit soon turns strangely thin.

3 Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control;
our spirits long to be made whole.
Let inward love guide every deed;
by this we worship, and are freed.

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.

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.*

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.

Invitation and Prayer 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

Whom Shall I Fear
Coleman Clark and Deanna Ullery, soloists

Chris Tomlin

Hymn 442

Just as I Am, without One Plea

Woodworth

1 Just as I am, without one plea

but that thy blood was shed for me,
and that thou biddest me come to thee,
O Lamb of God, I come; I come!

2 Just as I am, though tossed about
with many a conflict, many a doubt,
fightings and fears within, without,
O Lamb of God, I come; I come!

3 Just as I am, thou wilt receive,
wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;
because thy promise I believe,
O Lamb of God, I come; I come!

4 Just as I am, thy love unknown
has broken every barrier down;
now to be thine, yea, thine alone,
O Lamb of God, I come; I come!

Charge and Benediction

Postlude

The Strife is O'er

Roger Wilson

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Within the Fellowship

'The flowers in the sanctuary today are given by Cindy and Mike Cavey in loving memory of Cindy's sister, Sharon Cost, and in celebration of her life, so beautifully lived.'

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. Kelley Shin at (937) 751-0752.

Announcements

Children's Choir will Sing Again! Starting today, Fairmont's Children's Choir will rehearse on Sunday mornings at 9:30am in the Children's Music Room. Ages 4 - grade 5 are invited to participate. We will sing for the congregation again on May 14th. Contact Lorelei for questions!

FAIRMONT SPRING HIKE. Join Pastor Kelley for a Fairmont Spring Hike today at 2:00 p.m. Let's meet at the Pearl's Fen Trail in Fairborn at 2:00 p.m. for a 2 or 3-mile hike.

DATE: Sunday, April 16

TIME: 2:00 p.m.

PLACE: Pearl's Fen Trail
ADDRESS: 4535 Byron Road, Fairborn, OH 45324

We will hike an easy mile for families and then add another 2 miles for those who want to hike a moderate hike. Contact Pastor Kelley at kshin@fairmontchurch.org for questions.

Fairmont Men's Group will meet at MCL Cafeteria on Wednesday, April 19th at 11:30 am. Sign "Lunch" on the attendance pad on Sunday or call the church office at (937) 299-3539 or you may email the church at office@fairmontchurch.org by noon on Tuesday, April 18th, to make a reservation. All the men of the church are invited!

April 2023 Connections: The World of the New Testament

Join us Wednesday nights at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom, we will be exploring the context of the life and ministry of Jesus of Nazareth through the lens of the Gospel of Matthew. Together we will explore the ways in which Jesus' world was so different from our own.

April 19 No Connections Happy Easter Season

April 26 Matthew and Sectarian Judaism

Wednesdays, 7:00pm

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

Meeting ID: 829 4532 7813

Join us for Bible Study this Thursday evening at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom. We will be prayerfully considering the text for the following Sunday morning. You do not need any preparation and everyone is welcome. This week we will be reflecting on Matthew 6:25-34. You are invited!

Thursdays, 7:00pm

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

Meeting ID: 820 0253 6057

FAIRMONT FAMILY NIGHT. Join us for our April *Fairmont Family Night* on Friday, April 21, 2023, **in the Youth Room, (Note Room Change)** at 6:00 p.m. Fairmont children, youth, and their families will be meeting **once-a-month** for a fun evening of dinner, games, movies, and fellowship. For questions, contact Loralei Harding or Pastor Kelley.

WHAT: Fairmont Family Night

WHEN: April 21, 2023

TIME: 6:00 p.m.

WHERE: **Youth Room (Note Room Change)**

THEME: Spring Fling!: Game Night!

The Women of Fairmont will be having their Spring Gathering April 22 in Fellowship Hall at 11:30 for lunch. Our speaker will be Leigh Ann Fulford who will be talking about suicide prevention. She for many years (with Sallie Luther) organized a walk to build awareness on this issue. She has now organized a high school GEM art Contest for Suicide Prevention. As a group we have supported these efforts. Please plan on attending! Let your circle leader know or let Jennifer in the office know that you will attend. Thank you.

Presbyterianism and Modern Challenges. Our April theme will be focused on Science and Religion. Our next Zoom film presentation and discussion will be on **Friday, April 28, 2023, (Note Date Change)** at 8:00 p.m. This time slot allows parents to get their children to bed and participate in adult conversations!

DATE: **Friday, April 28, 2023 (Note Date Change)**

TIME: 8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

FILM: Science and Religion

Watch for the Zoom link in the weekly Beside Still Waters and Fridays from Fairmont emails, and Fairmont's April worship bulletins or contact Pastor Kelley at kshin@fairmontchurch.org.

Mark your calendars! Join us for a fun summer evening of baseball and fellowship at the Dayton Dragon's on Saturday, June 3rd! Starting in April, you will be able to sign up through a link on the Fairmont Presbyterian Church website. Reach out to Kelly Coan with any questions at (937) 470-3427.

Stellar: Shine Jesus' Light! | Vacation Bible School 2023 | June 12th - 15th | 9am-12pm

At Stellar VBS, kids shine Jesus' light! Stellar is filled with awesome Bible-learning experiences kids see, hear, and touch! Sciency-Fun Gizmos™, team-building games, unforgettable Bible songs, and tasty treats are just a few of the standout activities that help faith flow into real life. Contact Lorelei for questions or information! Register kids and volunteers online at www.fairmontchurch.org/VBS
Contact Lorelei for questions or information!

2024 Holy Land Pilgrimage

Have you ever wanted to walk where Jesus walked and sail on the Sea of Galilee? Join us on our Holy Land Pilgrimage January 29, 2024-February 8, 2024. This pilgrimage journey, sponsored jointly by Fairmont and Hilliard United Methodist Church will visit all the important locations in Jesus' life and ministry as well as visiting many of the important locations of the Old Testament. Pastor Brian, who has now led 16 Holy Land trips for pastors, seminary students, and the United States Army, will be leading the trip sharing his knowledge and helping us to more deeply experience the reality of God's revelation in this land that so many call Holy. A brochure with more information is available at the entrance to the Fellowship Hall and Sanctuary and is available from the office as well.

Kettering Schools Mission: The Mission Team will be gathering items to help stock the Kettering High School nurse's station. They are serving nearly 2400 students. The items requested are for students who have medical needs (think diabetics and such) and right now they could really use a supply of the following: **saltine crackers (small individual packs are best but could also do bigger boxes), peanut butter crackers, juice boxes, and fruit snacks, tissues.** Please place your donations in the box labeled MISSION in the Fellowship Hall. If you have any questions, contact Kerri Miles at kmjdjp53@gmail.com. Thank you in advance for your generous spirit.

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The Strife Is O'er

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Refrain (before stanza 1 and after stanza 4)

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

1 The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done; the vic - to -
 2 The powers of death have done their worst, but Christ their
 3 The three sad days are quick - ly sped; Christ ris - es
 4 Lord, by the stripes which wound - ed thee, from death's dread

ry of life is won; the song of tri - umph
 le - gions hath dis - persed: let shouts of ho - ly
 glo - rious from the dead: all glo - ry to our
 sting thy ser - vants free, that we may live, and

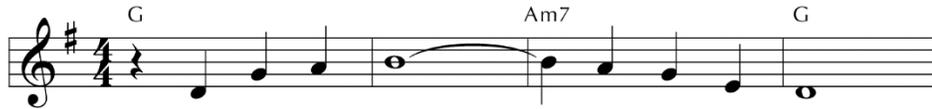
has be - gun.
 joy out - burst. Al - le - lu - ia!
 ris - en Head!
 sing to thee:

The Latin text from which this hymn has been translated may well be older than its earliest printing in a 17th-century collection published in Cologne. It is set to an adaptation of a portion of the Gloria Patri section from a 16th-century choral version of the Magnificat.

Though I May Speak

The Gift of Love

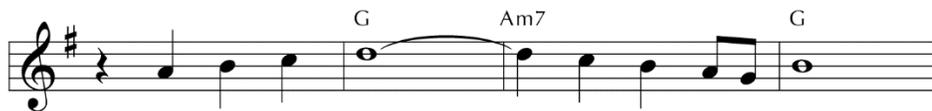
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1 Though I may speak with brav - est fire,
 2 Though I may give all I pos - sess,
 3 Come, Spir - it, come, our hearts con - trol;



and have the gift to all in - spire,
 and striv - ing so my love pro - fess,
 our spir - its long to be made whole.



and have not love, my words are vain,
 but not be given by love with - in,
 Let in - ward love guide ev - ery deed;



as sound - ing brass, and hope - less gain.
 the prof - it soon turns strange - ly thin.
 by this we wor - ship, and are freed.

As paraphrases of 1 Corinthians 13:1, 3 the first two stanzas here are in the first person singular, yet they lead into a plural prayer for the gift of such love, for it thrives in community. These words are especially poignant with this adaptation of an English folk melody.

FORGIVENESS

442 Just as I Am, without One Plea

1 Just as I am, with - out one plea but that thy
 2 Just as I am, though tossed a - bout with man - ya
 3 Just as I am, thou wilt re - ceive, wilt wel - come,
 4 Just as I am, thy love un-known has bro - ken

blood was shed for me, and that thou biddest me
 con - flict, man - ya doubt, fight - ings and fears with -
 par - don, cleanse, re - lieve; be - cause thy prom - ise
 ev - ery bar - rier down; now to be thine, yea,

come to thee,
 in, with - out,
 I be - lieve, O Lamb of God, I come; I come!
 thine a - lone,

SPANISH

1 *Tal como soy de pecador,
 sin más confianza que tu amor;
 a tu llamada vengo a ti,
 ¡Cordero de Dios, heme aquí!*

KOREAN

1 큰-죄에 빠-진 날 위해
 주-보-혈 흘려주시고
 또-나를 오-라하시니-
 주께로 거-저 갑니다

When illness limited her involvement in a bustling household, the author wrote this hymn that helped her both to achieve and to express a renewed sense of worth grounded in Christ's self-giving. Its simple, direct, and deeply felt language has made it a source of comfort to many.

