

A special note to children and their parents:

We welcome all children in worship! Please pick up a worship bag filled with activities to engage the children, right outside the Sanctuary. For infants and toddlers (up to 4 years old) the nursery is available in room 245. For those wishing to attend the service with children outside the Sanctuary, the Gathering Room is located up the stairs from the Narthex and is equipped with a television that shows the service. Toys are also available.

Sunday Express is our Sunday morning program For Pre-K - 5th grade students. As a part of their education program, the children will join us in the Sanctuary at 11:15 am until the Conversation with Children and resume their *Sunday Express* in their respective classrooms. Parents are asked to pick up their children after the service. To allow for rehearsal for the Children's Musical on April 30, there will be no *Sunday Express* during the 10 o'clock hour today.

If you need a hearing assistance device or large print bulletins, please see an usher. The sanctuary is equipped with a T Loop System; set your hearing aid to the "T" position.

Services For The Lord's Day:

Second Sunday of Easter

8:45 & 11:15 a.m. Services of Worship

*Please stand, if you are able. #The ushers will seat worshipers.

Gather Around God's Word

INTROIT

PRELUDE Praeludium, BWV872a
J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive) **Henry Brinton**

L: O give thanks to the Lord, for the Lord is good;

P: God's steadfast love endures forever.

L: By God's great mercy we have been born anew,

P: Through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

(Psalm 118:1; 1 Peter 1:3)

WELCOME

#* HYMN 233 *The Day of Resurrection!*

* CALL TO CONFESSION **Yena Hwang**

L: There are signs of new life all around us, but still we cling to our old ways. Let us confess our sin to God in a responsive prayer:

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION (responsive)

L: When we do not accept sisters and brothers who are different from us,

P: Forgive us, O God.

L: When we oppose you by opposing those who challenge our assumptions,

P: Forgive us, O God.

L: When we willfully disobey you and lose faith in your future,

P: Forgive us, O God.

L: God, in your mercy, restore us to newness of life.

P: Bind us together as your church through the power of your Holy Spirit.

L: Empower us to testify to the presence of Jesus Christ, our Risen Lord.

P: Amen.

(Time for silent confession)

* ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS (responsive)

L: Take heart, God's Spirit moves us from the ways of death to the ways of new life.

P: Through the sacrifice of Christ, our sins are forgiven.

L: Let us forgive one another,

P: And give ourselves to one another,

L: In the joyful community of the Risen Christ.

P: Amen.

* RESPONSE TO OUR ASSURANCE

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today (v. 4)



#* THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

L: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

P: And also with you.

Proclaim God's Word

ANTHEM **Ballade**
Eugene Bozza (1905-1991)
Justin Choi, Bass Clarinet

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION **Gary Sowers (8:45)**
Karen Hammond (11:15)

SCRIPTURE LESSON **Romans 8:1-11**

L: The grass withers, the flower fades, but the Word of our God will stand forever. (Isaiah 40:8)

P: Thanks be to God.

(11:15) CONVERSATION WITH CHILDREN

The nursery (in room 245 for children under 3) is available during the service. PreK-5th grade children are invited to childrens musical rehearsal following the conversation.

* HYMN 240 *Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks*
(Pass prayer cards to center aisles)

SERMON **Rebrand** **Henry Brinton**

Respond to God's Word

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (unison)

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the church. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

(A Brief Statement of Faith, Presbyterian Church, USA)

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS & PRAYER CONCERNS

(11:15) MORNING PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER (unison)

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.

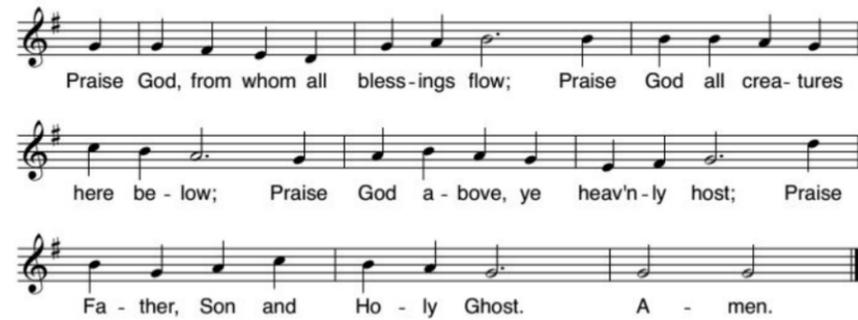
MINUTE FOR WELLNESS **Kathleen Mulvihill**

OFFERING OF CHRIST'S PEOPLE

OFFERTORY *Because He Lives*
arr. Jack Schrader (b. 1942)
Justin Choi, Bass Clarinet

* DOXOLOGY #606

The Old Hundredth



* PRAYER OF DEDICATION (unison)

Accept these gifts, Almighty God, and use them to spread the gifts of your Spirit — love, joy, and peace — throughout the world. We pray all this in the name of our Risen Lord Jesus. Amen.

(8:45) THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Communion will be received at the table. When instructed, please walk to the table via the center of the Sanctuary, take a wafer or a piece of bread, dip it in the cup, and partake. You may then return to your seat by a side aisle. Please raise your hand if you need to be served in the pew.

Follow God's Word Into the World

* HYMN 300

We Are One in the Spirit

* BENEDECTION

* CHORAL BENEDECTION

* POSTLUDE Christ lag in Todesbanden, BWV 625

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

We invite you to remain and listen to the Postlude.

If you prefer to greet the pastors or visit with other members, you may proceed to the Narthex.

NOTES ON WORSHIP

OUR USHERS today are **Ellen MacGregor, Isaac Bumgardner, Eleanor Duffield, Carolyn Gore-Ashe, Gary Sowers, Rob Updegrove, Bill Staples, Mike Stewart, Jennifer Browne, and Clark Bowden.**

The flowers are given to the glory of God in memory of JoAnne Falconer Myers Peterson, by her daughter Becca Peterson.

Today At Fairfax Presbyterian

- Praise Band will be at 3:30 and Youth Fellowship at 4:30!
- Christian Formation Classes are today at 10AM, Wired Word in Room #135, and Basic Bible in Room #134 with Henry Brinton. The second installment of Theology of Star Wars continues this week in Room #234!
- A New Member Conference will be held today in Room #110 at 12:30PM.
- Wellness Committee meets today in the Library at 10AM.

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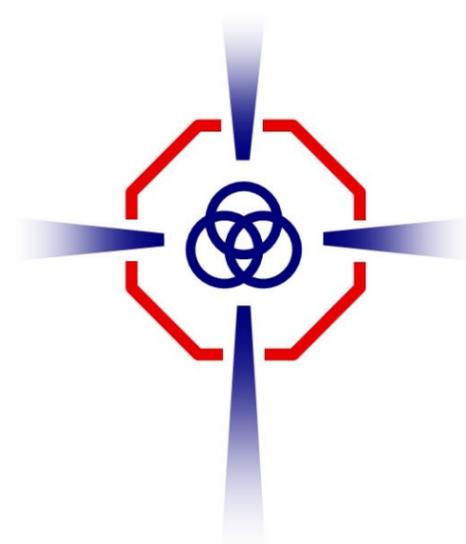
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Fairfax Presbyterian Church



Fairfax Presbyterian Church is
 An Uncommon Christian Community
 Embracing all people with God's love and grace.

By the power of the Holy Spirit,
 We at FPC worship God with honesty, joy, and imagination;
 Nurture our lives of faith in Christ;
 Extend hospitality and grace to all people;
 Serve a world in need; and
 Work for reconciliation among people of diverse perspectives.

April 23, 2017

Visitors: Welcome to Fairfax Presbyterian Church

We are glad you have joined us for worship and want you to feel warmly welcomed to this community of faith. We hope you will experience the Holy Spirit moving in this place through our worship, fellowship and mission. Please sign the red friendship pad, including your name, address, email and phone number so that we might be in touch to welcome you to our congregation. You are invited to join us for a cup of coffee or tea in the Narthex outside the Sanctuary following the service.