

***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. During the school year, *Sunday Express* begins at 10 am and continues through the end of the 11:15 worship service. 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.

**Summer Express**, which is our summer program for Pre-K-3rd grades is on now!

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

**Service For The Lord's Day: 10th Sunday After Pentecost**  
9:30 a.m. Service of Worship

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

***Gather Around God's Word***

# PRELUDE *Hymn to Joy*  
Ludwig van Beethoven; arr Kevin McChesney  
**Handbell Ensemble**

CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive) **Thom Campbell**

One: All you who love and serve the Lord,

**Many: Come and worship!**

One: All you who are tired and worn out,

**Many: Come and worship!**

One: All you who doubt and have questions,

**Many: Come and worship!**

One: All you who are scared,

**Many: Come and worship!**

One: We are on Holy Ground.

**Many: Praise be to God!**

WELCOME

#\* HYMN 815 *Give to the Winds Thy Fears*

\* CALL TO CONFESSION **Yena Hwang**

L: Let us confess our sins to the Lord of all, who is generous to all who call upon him.

\* PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

**Almighty and most amazing God, you have called us to serve in the world, but we have become scared and have turned away from you and our own potential. You have given us simple instructions to love one another, but we make it complicated and put conditions on our love. You ask us to trust you and to place our lives in your hands, but in our daily lives we ignore you and think we can do a better job on our own. You offer us the freedom of your grace, but we embrace the bondage of this world and in the process, we add to it. God, forgive our fears and open our hearts to the possibilities of your love and mercy.**

(Time for silent confession)

\* ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS (responsive)

L: Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be heard and saved!

**P: Thanks be to God! Amen!**

\* RESPONSE TO OUR ASSURANCE *Gloria Patri*

Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Ghost; As it was in the be-gin-ning, is now and e-ver shall be, world with-out end. A-men. A-men.

#\* 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 *Love Came Down*  
Brian Johnson  
**Sarah Campbell, Solo**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION **Katie Sievers**

SCRIPTURE LESSON Matthew 14: 22-33

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

**P: Thanks be to God.**

CONVERSATION WITH CHILDREN

*The nursery is available during the service for children under 4 in room 245. Rising Prek-3rd graders are invited to room 244.*

\* HYMN 435 *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy*  
(Pass prayer cards to the center aisles)

SERMON *Just a Little* **Thom Campbell**

***Respond to God's Word***

\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (unison) **Yena Hwang**

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven. With the whole church, we affirm that we are made in God's image, befriended by Christ, empowered by the Spirit. With people everywhere, we affirm God's goodness at the heart of humanity, planted more deeply than all that is wrong. With all creation, we celebrate the miracle and wonder of life, the unfolding purpose of God, forever at work in ourselves and the world. Amen.**  
(from the Iona Community Book of Prayer)

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS & PRAYER CONCERNS

MORNING PRAYER & 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.**

OFFERING OF CHRIST'S PEOPLE

OFFERTORY *Pastoral Symphony*  
George Frederic Handel  
**arr Sharon Elery Rogers**

Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; Praise God all crea- tures here be- low; Praise God a- bove, ye heav'n-ly host; Praise Fa- ther, Son and Ho-ly Ghost. A-men.

\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION (unison)  
**Generous and Loving God, You call us to live boldly for Christ in this world. May these humble gifts be just a small part of our offering to you in thankfulness for inviting us out onto the water, and may they serve to help make the impossible possible. Amen.**

*Follow God's Word Into the World*

- \* HYMN 463 *How Firm A Foundation*
- \* BENEDICTION
- \* POSTLUDE *Prelude in D major, BWV 532*  
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.*

*Today At Fairfax Presbyterian*

- Thom Campbell has been a member of FPC since 2004 with his wife Rachel and their children, David, Sarah, and Ben. Thom is the product of a Presbyterian minister and a Presbyterian church organist and has spent his life active in the church. Thom works for the Administration for Community Living where he manages federal grant programs to help strengthen services and supports for people with disabilities. Thom is also a professional development/career/life coach and works to help individuals to discover and seize their potential.
- A Christian Formation Ministry meeting will be held in the Gathering Room following worship today at 10:45AM.
- Presbyterian Women will be meeting in the Parlor following worship today at 10:45AM.

**NOTES ON WORSHIP**

**OUR USHERS** today are **Rob Updegrove, Bill Staples, Mike Stewart, Clark Bowden, and Jennifer Browne.**

**Leadership at Fairfax Presbyterian Church**

**The Session**

*Christian Formation Ministry:* Rochon Bumgardner, John Williams.  
*Member Connections Ministry:* Susan Chesson, Cate Rodman.  
*Mission Outreach Ministry:* Mike Stewart, Becca Peterson.  
*Property Management Ministry:* Tom MacDonald, Catherine Potter.  
*Staff Personnel & Administration Ministry:* Carolyn Gore-Ashe, George Falck.  
*Stewardship & Finance Ministry:* Tim Leslie, Jessica Harrison, Brad Pontz.  
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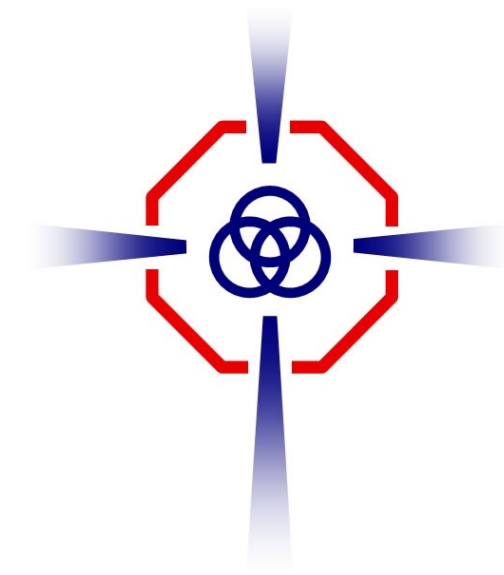
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# Fairfax Presbyterian Church



*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.*

## August 13, 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.*