

***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. **Sunday Express begins TODAY!** Parents are invited to **Sunday Express Orientation at 10AM today!**

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: 14th Sunday After Pentecost  
8:45 & 11:15am Services of Worship

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

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

# INTROIT

# PRELUDE *Rigaudon*  
André Campre (1660-1774)

**Woody English, Trumpet and Sanghwa Lee, Organ**

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

L: Praise the Lord!

**P: Sing God's praise in the assembly of the faithful!**

L: Praise the Lord!

**P: For the Lord takes pleasure in the people!**

L: Praise the Lord!

**P: Let the faithful sing for joy!**

L: Let us sing our praises to our God!

WELCOME

#\* HYMN 32 *I Sing the Mighty Power of God*

\* CALL TO CONFESSION **Yena Hwang**

L: God so loves us to bathe us with grace and mercy. Confident in God's forgiving grace, let us confess our sins together.

\* PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

**Lord, while we were still slaves to sin, you died for our salvation. Yet we still worship the false gods of the world, forgetting that you are Lord. Loving worldly wealth, we have not loved you with our whole heart nor loved our neighbors as ourselves. Trusting world strength, we have not trusted your word nor followed the Word-made-flesh. Forgiving by world norms, we have not shown mercy to others as you have shown mercy to us. Forgive us yet again, we pray in Christ's name. Amen.**

(Time for silent confession)

\* ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS (responsive)

L: Friends, hear the good news of the gospel: Who is in a position to condemn?

**P: Only Christ. And Christ died for us; Christ rose for us; Christ reigns in power for us; Christ prays for us.**

L: Believe the goodness of the gospel:

**P: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.**

\* RESPONSE TO OUR ASSURANCE *Gloria Patri*



#\* 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 "And Then Shall Your Light" from *Elijah*  
Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

**Sanctuary Choir**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON **Psalm 149**

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. Sunday Express resumes today!*

\* HYMN 803 *My Shepherd Will Supply My Need*  
(Pass prayer cards to the center aisles)

SERMON **Sabbatical Reflections Henry Brinton**

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

\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (unison)

**Together we confess that God unites us in faith. Together we come to know the height, and the breadth, and the depth of the love of Christ. Together we are built up to the full stature of Christ. Together we know and bear one another's burdens. We admonish one another. We comfort one another. We suffer with one another. We need one another. We build up one another. Together we pray. Together we serve God in this world. Together we fight against all which may threaten or hinder this unity. Thanks be to God.**

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COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS & PRAYER CONCERNS

SHEPHERD'S STAFF

RECOGNITION OF SANGHWA LEE

(11:15) 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 *Let All The World*  
William Mathias (1934-1992)

\* DOXOLOGY *Old Hundredth*



\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION (unison)

**We praise God's name with our worship, our songs, and our tithes and offerings. We honor God's work in our lives through our daily life. May these offerings become instruments of your love and justice in the world. In the name of Christ we pray. 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 363 *Rejoice, the Lord is King!*

\* BENEDICTION

\* EXTROIT

\* POSTLUDE *Prelude in Classic Style for Organ & Piano*  
Gordon Young (1919 – 1998)

*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 FPC**

We welcome back Rev. Henry Brinton from his 3 months of sabbatical! Bienvenido!

We are sad to say good-bye to our Associate Director of Music/Organist, Sanghwa Lee, who will be serving alongside her husband, Rev. Joon Lee at Grace Covenant Church in Chantilly, VA. Sanghwa is grateful for the privilege of having served FPC for the past eight and a half years. Both Sanghwa and Joon are grateful to the FPC community for the tremendous blessings FPC has been for them.

CFM kicks off today a new program year with excitement and joy! Sunday Express parents are invited to an information session at 10 am. Following the second service, Sunday Express and GRACE Youth members and their parents are invited to a joint fellowship kick-off event, including lunch!

We welcome Woody English to our worship this morning and thank him for sharing his talent with us.

### **NOTES ON WORSHIP**

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

### **Upcoming Messages**

- \* September 17 8:45 & 11:15AM - Sermon by Henry Brinton, "Jesus the Forgiving Trainer." Matthew 18: 21-35.
- \* September 24 8:45 & 11:15AM - Sermon by Henry Brinton, "Writing Your Own Obituary." Romans 13: 8-14. Congregational Meeting at 12:15PM.

### **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.

*Worship Ministry:* Sara Bowden.

*Clerk of Session :* Gary Sowers

*Treasurer:* Ed Bowen; *Associate Treasurer:* Sonja Hancke.

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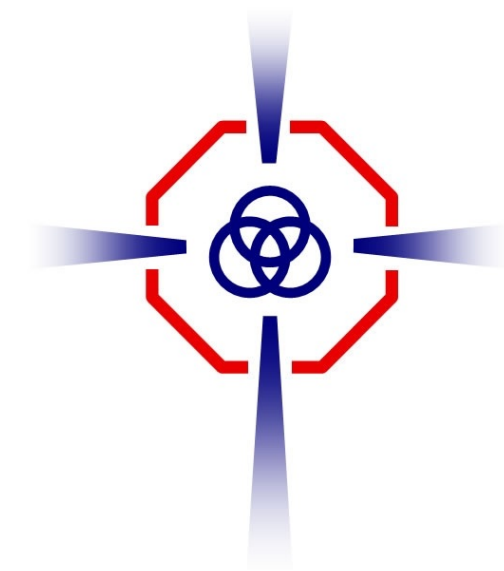
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# Fairfax Presbyterian Church



*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.*

## September 10, 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.*