

***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.

*The children will remain in worship 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: 13th 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 *Hark! the Herald Angels Sing*  
Alfred V. Fedak (b. 1953)  
**Sanghwa Lee, organist**

CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive) **Gretchen Kuhrmann**

L: Give thanks, praise God's name, tell all that the Lord has done.

**P: Sing songs and tell the stories of the Lord's mighty wonders!**

L: Revel in God's holy name, delight in seeking the Lord. Look always for the presence and power of God!

**P: God remembers God's sacred word. God brings out the beloved with joy and so we sing our songs of joy!**

WELCOME

**EXPECTING THE GIFT** (Season of Advent)

#\* HYMN 88 *O Come, O Come Emmanuel* (vv. 1, 2 and 4)

**RECEIVING THE GIFT** (Season of Christmas)

SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 2: 1-14 **Leslie Woods**

#\* HYMN 133 *O Come, All Ye Faithful* (vv. 1 & 3)

**#\* THE PASSING OF THE PEACE**

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

**P: And also with you.**

CONVERSATION WITH CHILDREN **Gretchen Kuhrmann**

*The nursery is available during the service for children under 4 in room 245.*

***The children will remain in worship today.***

ANTHEM

*What a Friend*

Gilbert Martin (b. 1941)

**Nancy Freeborne-Brinton, Ann Koch & Kristin Larsen**

***Proclaim God's Word***

**COMMISSIONING THE GIFT**

(The Season of Epiphany, the Baptism of Our Lord and Transfiguration)

SCRIPTURE LESSON Matthew 2:1-6, 3:13-17 **Tom MacDonald**

\* HYMN 475 *Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing* (vs. 1)  
(Pass prayer cards to the center aisles)

**MEDITATING ON THE GIFT** (unison)

(The Season of Lent and Holy Week)

**Holy God, your Word, Jesus Christ, spoke peace to a sinful world and brought humanity the gift of reconciliation by the suffering and death he endured. Teach us who bear his name to follow the example he gave us. May our faith, hope and charity turn hatred to love, conflict to peace, and death to eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 4:1-13

\* HYMN 215 *What Wondrous Love is This?* (vs.1)

**PALM / PASSION SUNDAY**

SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 19:28-38

\* HYMN 196 *All Glory, Laud and Honor* (vv. 2 &3)

**MAUNDY THURSDAY**

SCRIPTURE LESSON Matthew 26:26-35

\* HYMN 202 *An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare*

**GOOD FRIDAY**

SCRIPTURE LESSON Mark 15:25-39 **Dan Stevens**

\* HYMN 228 *Were You There?* (vv. 1&4)

**REJOICING WITH THE GIFT**

(The Resurrection of Our Lord and Easter Season)

SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 24:1-12

\* HYMN 232 *Jesus Christ is Risen Today!* (vv.1 & 4)

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

\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (unison)

**P: We are God's field, God's building. Everything we have and are should be concentrated on discovering this inestimable treasure. "Truly, the Kingdom of Heaven is within you" Jesus says. Seek first, seek only the Kingdom of God hidden in the depths of your heart and all the rest will be given you over and above.**

(From *The Jerusalem Community Rule of Life* by Pierre-Marie Delfieux)

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS & PRAYER CONCERNS  
**Leslie Woods**

**FILLED WITH THE GIFT**

(The Seasons of Pentecost, Trinity Sunday, & Ordinary Time)

OFFERING OF CHRIST'S PEOPLE

OFFERTORY *Lord I Need You*  
Matthew Guion Maher (b. 1974)

\* DOXOLOGY *Old Hundredth*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here be low; Praise God above, ye heav'n-ly host; Praise Fa-ther, Son and Ho-ly Ghost. A-men.

\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION (unison)

**Gracious Lord, you have given us more mercy than we could imagine and more blessings than we deserve. Receive now these gifts as tokens of our gratitude to you, that your mercy may be multiplied and your blessings abound to embrace all those in need. Amen.**

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Responsive Call to Communion

**Carol Barrett & Kathleen Mulvihill**

L: Let us give thanks!

**P: Our God has bent down and fed us.**

L: Like a mother, God has held us.

**P: Our God has calmed and quieted our fear.**

L: Like a father God has forgiven us.

**P: And removed our sin from us!**

L: Bless God's holy name!

**P: We thank you for the promise of this meal. We thank you for the promise of this day: new life for tired spirits, victory for the faithful. Help us to reach out to each other in community and be agents of renewal. May your resurrection happen in and through us. Amen.**

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving and The 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.**

The Breaking of the Bread and Sharing of the Cup

Communion of the People

*Please walk to a station in the center of the Sanctuary, take a piece of bread, dip it in the cup, and partake. You may then return to your pew by an outer aisle. Please raise your hand if you need to be served in the pew.*

Communion Hymn #450:

*Be Thou My Vision*

Prayer after Communion

**Follow God's Word Into the World**

**CELEBRATING THE ETERNAL GLORY OF GOD THE THREE IN ONE (Christ the King)**

\* HYMN 1 *Holy, Holy, Holy* (vv. 1, 2 & 4)

\* BENEDICTION

\* POSTLUDE

Toccata from *Toccata, Adagio and Fugue in C major*, BWV 564  
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.*

**Upcoming Messages**

- \* September 10 8:45 & 11:15AM - Sermon by Henry Brinton, "Sabbatical Reflections." Psalm 149.
- \* September 17 8:45 & 11:15AM - Sermon by Henry Brinton, "Jesus the Forgiving Trainer." Matthew 18: 21-35.

**NOTES ON WORSHIP**

**OUR USHERS** today are **Gary Cage, Barbara Henderson, Harriet Otchere, Brandon Cage, and Ben Cage.**

**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

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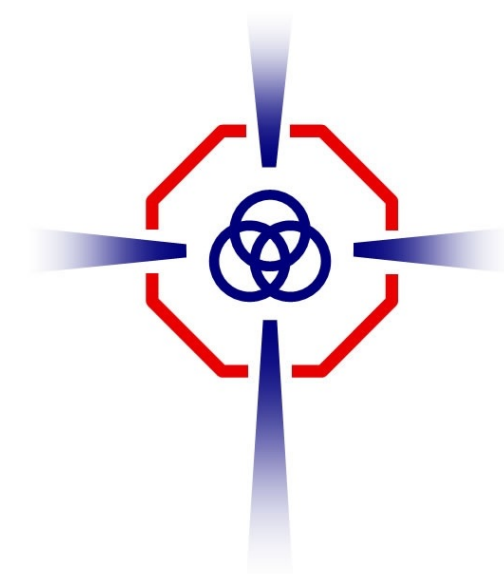
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# Fairfax Presbyterian Church



*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 3, 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.*