

***Order for the Service of Worship
The Lord's Day ~ Sunday, July 12, 2020***



Fairview Presbyterian Church

Westminster Chimes

Welcome

Prelude

***Introit**

How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds, #94, vs 4

*Jesus, my Shepherd, Brother, Friend,
My Prophet, Priest and King,
My Lord, my Life, my Way, my End,
Accept the praise I bring.*

Call to Worship

From Joel 2

Blow a trumpet in Zion; sound an alarm on my hold mountain! Let all the inhabitants of the land tremble, for the day of the Lord is coming; it is near ... for the day of the Lord is great and very awesome; who can endure it? "Yet even now," declares the Lord, "return to me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning; and rend your hearts and not your garments." Return to the Lord your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.

*** Hymn of Adoration**

O for a Thousand Tongues, # 76

*O for a thousand tongues to sing My great
Redeemer's praise, The glories of my God and King,
The triumphs of His grace.*

Jesus! the name that charms our fears, That bids our sorrows cease, 'Tis music in the sinner's ears, 'Tis life and health and peace.

He breaks the power of canceled sin, He sets the prisoner free; His blood can make the foulest clean; His blood availed for me.

*** Invocation and the Lord's Prayer**

*** Praise Response**

Gloria Patri

Corporate Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, you shattered the power of sin and death. We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. We waste your gifts, wander from your ways, and forget your love. We overlook our neighbor, and are constantly fixated on ourselves. Forgive us, God of mercy. Help us to trust your power to change our lives and make us new, that we may know the joy of abundant life given in Jesus Christ, the risen Lord. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardoning Grace | Micah 7:18-19

Who is a God like you, pardoning iniquity and passing over transgression for the remnant of his inheritance? He does not retain his anger forever, because he delights in steadfast love. He will again have compassion on us; he will tread our iniquities underfoot. You will cast all our sins into the depths of the sea.

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.

The Giving of Tithes and Offerings

*** Doxology and Prayer of Thanksgiving #625**

*** Hymn of Preparation**

Jesus, I Come, # 336

Out of my bondage, sorrow and night, Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come; Into Thy freedom, gladness and light, Jesus, I come to Thee. Out of my sickness into Thy health, Out of my want and into Thy wealth, Out of my sin and into Thyself, Jesus, I come to Thee.

Out of my shameful failure and loss, Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come; Into the glorious gain of Thy cross, Jesus, I come to Thee. Out of earth's sorrows into Thy balm, Out of life's storms and into Thy calm, Out of distress to jubilant psalm, Jesus, I come to Thee.

Out of unrest and arrogant pride, Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come; Into Thy blessed will to abide, Jesus, I come to Thee. Out of myself to dwell in Thy love, Out of despair into

raptures above, Upward for aye on wings like a dove, Jesus, I come to Thee.

Out of the fear and dread of the tomb, Jesus I come, Jesus I come; Into the joy and light of Thy home, Jesus, I come to Thee. Out of the depths of ruin untold, Into the peace of Thy sheltering fold, Ever Thy glorious face to behold, Jesus, I come to Thee.

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon | “Why the Millennium Matters”

Kenneth Collins Maple

Sermon Text | Revelation 20

¹Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, holding in his hand the key to the bottomless pit and a great chain. ²And he seized the dragon, that ancient serpent, who is the devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years, ³and threw him into the pit, and shut it and sealed it over him, so that he might not deceive the nations any longer, until the thousand years were ended. After that he must be released for a little while.

⁴Then I saw thrones, and seated on them were those to whom the authority to judge was committed. Also I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded for the testimony of Jesus and for the word of God, and those who had not worshiped the beast or its image and had not received its mark on their foreheads or their hands. They came to life and reigned with Christ for a thousand years. ⁵The rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were ended. This is the first resurrection. ⁶Blessed and holy is the one who shares in the first resurrection! Over such the second death has no power, but they will be priests of God and of Christ, and they will reign with him for a thousand years.

7 And when the thousand years are ended, Satan will be released from his prison ⁸ and will come out to deceive the nations that are at the four corners of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them for battle; their number is like the sand of the sea. ⁹ And they marched up over the broad plain of the earth and surrounded the camp of the saints and the beloved city, but fire came down from heaven and consumed them, ¹⁰ and the devil who had deceived them was thrown into the lake of fire and sulfur where the beast and the false prophet were, and they will be tormented day and night forever and ever.

¹¹ Then I saw a great white throne and him who was seated on it. From his presence earth and sky fled away, and no place was found for them. ¹² And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Then another book was opened, which is the book of life. And the dead were judged by what was written in the books, according to what they had done. ¹³ And the sea gave up the dead who were in it, Death and Hades gave up the dead who were in them, and they were judged, each one of them, according to what they had done. ¹⁴ Then Death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. This is the second death, the lake of fire. ¹⁵ And if anyone's name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire.

***Communion Hymn**

Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy, #334

*Come, ye sinners, poor and needy, Weak and wounded, sick and sore;
Jesus ready stands to save you, Full of pity, love and pow'r.*

Refrain:

*I will arise and go to Jesus, He will embrace me in His arms;
In the arms of my dear Savior, O, there are ten thousand charms.*

*Come, ye thirsty, come, and welcome, God's free bounty
glorify; True belief and true repentance, Every grace that
brings you nigh. [Refrain]*

*Let not conscience make you linger, Nor of fitness fondly
dream; All the fitness He requireth Is to feel your need of
Him. [Refrain]*

*Come, ye weary, heavy laden, Lost and ruined by the fall; If
you tarry till you're better, You will never come at all.
[Refrain]*

The Sacrament of The Lord's Supper

*** Hymn of Response**

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go, #374

*O Love that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in Thee; I
give Thee back the life I owe, That in Thine ocean depths its
flow May richer, fuller be.*

*O Light that follow'st all my way, I yield my flick'ring torch
to Thee; My heart restores its borrowed ray,
That in Thy sunshine's blaze its day May brighter, fairer be.*

*O Joy that seekest me thru pain, I cannot close my heart to
Thee; I trace the rainbow thru the rain,
And feel the promise is not vain That morn shall tearless be.*

*O Cross that liftest up my head, I dare not ask to fly from
Thee; I lay in dust life's glory dead, And from the ground
there blossoms red Life that shall endless be.*

Benediction

Threefold Amen #628 IV

Postlude

Announcements

Prayer

Join us online or in person on Wednesdays at 5:45 for prayer.

Officer Nominations

Nominations for church officers will be received during the month of August. More details to follow on specific nominating procedures.

Men's Breakfast

Men, we will resume our (social distance) devotional and prayer breakfast at Cracker Barrel in Simpsonville at 7 a.m. the 16th of July. All men are invited.