
January 24, 2016 - 11:00am

Cleveland Heights, Ohio

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Order of Worship

PRELUDE
Benedictus

WORDS OF WELCOME
Rev. Eric Dillenbeck

*CALL TO WORSHIP
One: On this day, which is holy, we gather, not alone, but as Christ's Body;
All: as ones who would suffer together, we gather.
One: On this day of wonder and hope, we gather, not in isolation, but in community;
All: as those who would care for one another, we gather.
One: On this day of prayer and praise, of silence and song, we gather, not with empty hands, but with full hearts;
All: as those baptized in grace's tears, we gather.

*HYMN 610
O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

PRAYER OF CONFESSION
Sarah Kok
Holy God,
you have brought us together as one body with many members,
each of us with gifts given according to your Spirit.
We confess that we struggle to discern what role we are called to do.
We speak when you call us to listen.
We listen when you call us to walk.
We walk when you call us to wait.
Through the power of your Holy Spirit,
show this community who you have called us to be
and how you need each of us to use what we have been given
so your vision for us can take shape.
Hear now our personal confessions of times we have not used the gifts you have given for your purposes.

SILENT CONFESSION AND KYRIE (Hymnal 551)

WORSHIP NOTES
CHILDREN IN WORSHIP
Following in the way of Jesus, we welcome all children in worship at Fairmount Presbyterian Church. Children often see things that adults have ceased to consider. Their wisdom and wonder open us to the magnitude of God's love in ways that change us and for which we give thanks. There is a rocking/crying room in the back corner of the sanctuary for any who need a change of scenery. Worship materials for children are available at each entrance or from an usher. Every first Sunday of the month children are invited to remain in the entire service. Nursery care is available in Room 2, lower level, all morning.

PRELUDE
Alec Rowley (1892-1958) studied at the Royal Academy of Music in London and was a Fellow and faculty member of Trinity College of Music. In the score, Rowley notes that the inspiration for this piece is a writing of Christina Rossetti, "I bring refreshment - I bring ease and calm."

HYMN 610
The text of this hymn was written by Charles Wesley on the first anniversary of his spiritual conversion (1740). He was inspired to write the poem after a conversation with Moravian Peter Böhler during which Wesley asked him about praising Christ. Böhler replied, “Had I a thousand tongues, I would praise Him with them all.” The tune was composed by Carl Gottthelf Gläser (1784-1829), who was a chorister at St. Thomas School in Leipzig, teacher of piano, violin, and voice, and music store manager. The tune was arranged by Lowell Mason, who was responsible for starting public school music instruction in this country.

BIBLE READINGS
Many people are finding ways to incorporate Bible reading through their smartphones. Try biblegateway.com if you would like to follow along.
ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS
One: Friends, believe the good news:
All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven and restored to new life!

*PASSING OF THE PEACE
One: May the peace of Christ be with you all.
All: And also with you.

RESPONSE: Hymn 137
He came down that we may have love;
He came down that we may have love;
He came down that we may have love;
Hallelujah forever more.
...that we may have light
...that we may have peace
...that we may have joy

ANTHEM
Youth Choir
There Is a Balm Spiritual/Stephan Casarella
There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole; there is a balm in Gilead to heal the sin-sick soul. Sometimes I feel discouraged and think my work’s in vain, but then the Holy Spirit revives my soul again. If you cannot sing like angels, if you cannot preach like Paul, you can tell the love of Jesus, and say, “He died for all.”

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM
We rejoice in the presentation of Rory Padraig Gibson-Stewart, child of Ashley and James Stewart, born September 30, 2015.
Pastor: Why do we baptize?
Congregation: Because Jesus instructed his disciples to baptize, and because Jesus himself was baptized by John in the waters of the river Jordan. We celebrate the sacrament among the people whom God has called. Through baptism, we are adopted and welcomed into God’s family. In these waters we share in the dying and rising of Jesus, who washes away all our sins, and we are made one with Christ and one with all who are joined to Christ and the church.

*APOSTLES’ CREED (Hymnal, page 17)

HYMN OF WELCOME 487 (Stanzas 1,2,4,5)
These Treasured Children
Puer Nobis Nascitur

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION
Gretchen Hess

EPISTLE LESSON
1 Corinthians 12:12-31 (NT page 174)

GOSPEL LESSON
Luke 4:14-21 (NT page 77)
One: The Word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God!

SERMON
“Filled” Rev. Eric Dillenbeck

CARING FOR OUR COMMUNITY
Rev. Derek Starr Redwine

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

ANTHEM
Stephan Casarella was born in England, but earned his degrees from the University of Kansas. He is director of music at Christ Church Cathedral in Cincinnati. He wrote this setting of the spiritual for the Cathedra Choir of Children and Youth. “There is a Balm in Gilead” offers a long-delayed answer to the prophet Jeremiah’s question, “Is there no balm in Gilead?” (Jeremiah 8:22). No earthly remedy can compare with the healing that comes from a sense of God’s presence.

HYMN 487
This text emphasizes the covenantal dimensions of baptism, most obvious in the baptism of children (though also present in the baptism of adults), including the worshipping community’s commitment to acquaint children with salvation history and to learn from their humble trust.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM
Philip Stopford (b.1977) is an English sacred music conductor and composer. He started his musical career as a member of the choir of Westminster Abbey and graduated from Keble College, Oxford. He was the choral director at St. Anne’s Cathedral in Belfast, Northern Ireland. He wrote this anthem for the installation of the Archbishop of Philadelphia in 2011. This text from Isaiah 61 is the text that Jesus read in our Gospel lesson.

HYMN 757
This text placing stewardship in the context of faithful witness was written by a retired Presbyterian minister to be part of the 1986 stewardship campaign titled “Called to Be Disciples.” The tune name calls the Sussex village where the arranger first heard the melody.

POSTLUDE
C.S. Lang (1891-1971) was born in New Zealand; studied at the Royal College of Music in London, and earned a doctorate at Durham University. He was director of music at Christ’s Hospital School in West Sussex. Tuba Tune is his best known piece and a favorite of recitalists. It begins in the style of Handel, but has key changes that could only be from a later century.
*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.

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM  
The Spirit of the Lord Philip Stopford  
The spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor. He hath sent me to heal the broken-hearted, to preach deliverance to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to preach the acceptable year of the Lord, to give unto them that mourn a garland of ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness, that they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, that he might be glorified. For as the earth bringeth forth her bud, and as the garden causeth the things that are sown in it to spring forth, so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise to spring forth before the nations. (Isaiah 61)

All are invited to stand at the beginning of the Doxology.

*DOXOLOGY, Hymn 606  
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*or “Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.”

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN 757  
Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples Kingsfold

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE  
Tuba Tune Craig Sellar Lang

*rising, as able

Following worship, all are invited for a time of fellowship in Andersen Hall.
Sacred Scribbles

Worship is a participatory activity. As you seek to discern what God is saying to you this day, we encourage you to write, draw, or doodle as you worship.

If you would like to share your thoughts, questions, or drawings with the staff, please tear off this page and place it on the communion table on your way out of worship.
THANK YOU to our Sunday Volunteers!
Head Ushers: Anne and Rick Smith
Service Recorder: Brian Seekely
Office Volunteer: Jan Spalding
8:30am Liturgist: Sarah Kok
11:00am Liturgist: Gretchen Hess
8:30am Greeter: Jean Sylak
11:00am Elder Greeter (Scarborough Door): Rob Hilton
Deacon Flower Delivery: Vicki Mentrek, Trevor Jones, Laura Migneco-Frentzko

Congregational Care Connectors: On Sunday mornings, you will notice members of the church standing in the sanctuary or Andersen Hall wearing brightly colored stoles over their shoulders. These Congregational Care Connectors will listen to your joys, concerns and prayer requests. The CCC will share this information with the pastors, so that we can follow up in appropriate ways.

Members Requesting Prayer: Melissa Myers, Karen Smith, Gail Larson, Kent Organ, Ruby Williams, Bob Olson, Mel Mihal, Jenna Watt, Judy Woodside, Deborah Erwin, Elaine and Joe Mosbrook

You may submit prayer requests by filling out the prayer cards in the pews.

Online Documents:
To access the Annual Report, Session minutes, sermons, and newsletters; to submit creative service and building use requests; and to view the church calendar, visit www.fairmountchurch.org.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Youth Group Night: Tonight!
Come from 6:00pm-9:00pm to the Youth Room for food, games, and the chance to explore our faith together!

Fairmount Cooperative Preschool
Today, The Fairmount Cooperative Preschool is hosting coffee hour after both sermons, and holding an open house this afternoon from 3:00pm to 5:00pm. They will be enrolling children ages three to five for the upcoming school year. The Fairmount Cooperative Preschool has an immediate opening for an assistant teacher in the Young Three's Classroom. Visit www.fairmountcoop.org for details.

Sunday Morning Adult Education: The Confession of Belhar in the Ganson Room at 9:50am
The Belhar Confession was written by the Dutch Reformed Mission Church as a theological challenge to South African apartheid. This class will explore Belhar and its historical context alongside the confessions of the PC(USA) and the legacy of racism in the United States. The Confession of Belhar has been proposed as an amendment to our Book of Confessions. In the summer of 2016 the Presbytery votes will be tallied to determine its official adoption.

Bereavement Group: Beginning Tuesday, January 26th
Grief is the immediate response to a loss. Bereavement is the ongoing response and reorientation of one's life to include the loss. We will offer a six-week bereavement group beginning Tuesday, January 26th, from 10:00am-11:30am. Although there are many losses that we encounter such as loss of a job, a marriage, economic stability, this group will focus on the bereavement that comes from the death of a loved one. The group is open to the church and community. The loss may be recent or years in the past. If the loss is still impacting you daily, perhaps this group may help. For more information please talk with or email Susan Holderness. If you plan to attend, please let Susan know.

Fairmount Theology Book Group: Wednesday, January 27th, at 7:00pm
The Fairmount Theology Book Group will meet the last Wednesday of each month. On Wednesday, January 27th, we will discuss The Screwtape Letters by CS Lewis.

Parents of Young Children Brunch: Saturday, January 30th
We invite our parents with children under three and those who are expecting babies to come to a brunch on Saturday, January 30th, at 10:00am (childcare provided). We hope this will give you an opportunity to meet, support, share, and get acquainted with one another. Please RSVP to Susan Holderness at sholderness@fairmountchurch.org.
Guest Preacher, Sunday, January 31, 2016

The Session is excited to announce that Alex McNeill, the Executive Director of More Light Presbyterians, will be preaching at both services on Sunday, January 31. More Light Presbyterians, of which Fairmount is a member, is an organization dedicated to promoting acceptance and inclusion of LGBTQ people in the Presbyterian Church (USA) and wider society. Alex McNeill will be leading an inclusivity training later that day at the church for the wider community. Alex holds a Master of Divinity from Harvard Divinity School, and a Bachelor’s degree from the University of North Carolina – Chapel Hill. He currently resides just outside of Washington, DC, with his wife and three dogs.

Help us become a more Welcoming Congregation! Sunday, January 31, 2016, 1:00pm - 2:00pm

Join Alex McNeil, the Director of More Light Presbyterians, as he talks with us about how we can continue to work towards the practice of Abundant Inclusion that flows from the abundant Grace of our God.

Greater Cleveland Congregations Cleveland Heights Listening Session

Sunday, January 31, 2016, 3:00pm - 5:00 pm
St. Paul’s Episcopal Church - Tucker Hall, 2747 Fairmount Blvd., Cleveland Heights, OH.

Come to share what’s happening in your neighborhood and our City, so we can celebrate successes and identify issues that we can act on, together as GCC, to strengthen our community and make it a more just place for all to live and thrive. If you are interested in participating please speak with Elder Ulrich Hopfer or Pastor Eric Dillenbeck. Our goal is to bring together a diverse gathering of people from GCC congregations in Cleveland Heights and individuals who live in Cleveland Heights from GCC congregations outside our community to hear what’s on your mind.

Theology on Tap: February 3rd

In February, Theology on Tap will meet on February 3rd, the first Wednesday of the month, instead of the second Wednesday - which this month is Ash Wednesday. We’ll be at the Wine Spot on Lee Rd. starting at 7:00pm talking about “What do you do when you can’t wrap your head around certain teachings in your religion?”

Souper Bowl of Caring Fundraiser on February 7th

This year on Super Bowl Sunday, enjoy the game and/or the commercials, but also make a difference for people facing food insecurity in our city. Look for Youth Group members before and after worship services holding buckets to collect your contributions to Bethany Hot Meals Ministry! Together we can do something great!

Music Series: The 100 Voice Baldwin Wallace University Men’s Chorus, Directed by Frank Bianchi

Sunday, February 7th, at 3:00pm

Frank Bianchi directs a concert by one of the most unique collegiate, semi-professional choruses in the United States. Membership is drawn from the Baldwin Wallace Conservatory and University communities, as well as the Greater Cleveland-Lorain-Akron communities. The Voices of Harmony singers from Beaumont School will also join with our choir for an anthem, and all three choirs will sing together for a closing anthem.

Jesuit Retreat House invites you to participate in: LIVING PRAYER- A six-week retreat-in-daily-life

5:00pm-7:00pm Sundays in Lent: February 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th; March 6th & 13th

Paul’s exhortation to “pray always” is meant for us today! But how does one “pray without ceasing?” Forest Hill Church, in partnership with Jesuit Retreat House, Parma, will offer a unique experience of learning anew how to live in the presence of God through the practice of prayer. During this six-week Lenten series we will meet at Forest Hill Church once a week to learn a new prayer practice and then pray with it during the week, returning each Sunday evening to share our experiences. $40/person. Contact Rev. Lois Annich at 216-321-2660 or pastorannich@fhcpresb.org or Eric Muller-Girard at 216-752-7006 or multimg@wowway.com.

Braille Books

2016 marks our eighth year of creating Braille Books with our friends at Fairmount Temple. We receive guidance from the Cleveland Sight Center whose pre-schoolers are the recipients of our books. We meet the third Wednesday of the month at Fairmount Temple from 9:30am-11:30am. Our next work day is February 17th. All are welcome. We provide all supplies.

Calvary Hot Meal Mission: February 24th

Will You Join Us? We will serve a hot meal at New Life in Calvary from 4:00pm-6:00pm with Park Synagogue. We are serving spaghetti, a fruit salad, tossed salad, bread and cookies. If you would like to serve or bake, please let Hedy know at hedywestra@ameritech.net. We carpool from church at 3:30pm.
Welcome to Fairmount Presbyterian Church


Core Values: authentic, generous, inclusive, innovative, and relevant.

Diversity Statement: As beloved children of God, we welcome all persons to join our family of faith as full participants, regardless of age, race or ethnicity, national origin, gender, marital status, sexual orientation, mental or physical ability, economic status, differences of thought and expression, or any other human condition. We celebrate and find strength in our diversity.

Next Sunday, January 31st
8:30am Childcare - Infant and Toddler Room 2 (Lower Level)
8:30am Worship with Communion - Chapel
9:30am Coffee Hour - Andersen Hall
9:50am Christian Education for All Ages
11:00am Worship - Sanctuary
12:00pm Coffee Hour - Andersen Hall
3:00pm Lang Recital - Chapel