

FAIRPLAIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 29, 2023

9:30 am In-Person / Online Hybrid Worship



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WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Let us prepare our hearts for worship in prayer.

PRELUDE

Muyu Zou

MEDITATION

"Once and for all, I give you this one short command:
love, and do what you will." -*St. Augustine, "Homily 7 on the
First Epistle of John", trans. Stephen Tomkins*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

David Schell

CALL TO WORSHIP

adapted from Psalm 84:1-4

**ALL: How lovely is your dwelling place,
O RULER of the multitudes of heaven! My soul longs,
indeed it faints for the courts of the BEAUTIFUL GOD;
my heart and my flesh sing for joy to the living God.
Even the sparrow finds a home,
and the swallow a nest for herself,
where she may lay her young, at your altars,
O EXALTED GOD of hosts, my Sovereign and my God.
Happy are those who live in your house,
ever singing your praise.**

HYMN #387

"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**ALL: Merciful God,
We confess that we have sinned against you,
In what we have said, And what we have left unsaid,**

**In what we have done, and what we have left undone.
We have said of justice, "It cannot be done;"
We have called kindness naivety,
And we have not walked humbly with you, our God.
Forgive us, we pray, and help us
To live out what we believe,
in Jesus' name, Amen.**

TIME OF SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON *adapted from I Corinthians 1:26-29*

One: Consider your own call, brothers and sisters:
not many of you were wise by human standards,
not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth.
But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise;
God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong;
God chose what is low and despised in the world,
things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are,
so that no one might boast in the presence of God. In Jesus
Christ, we are forgiven! We are reconciled to God, and we are
reconciled to one another.

All: Alleluia, Amen.

GLORIA PATRI

on screen

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 5:1-12

ANTHEM	"O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus" By Samuel T. Francis & Thomas J. Williams	Tammy, Nathan and Abby Sommer - voices and ukulele
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OLD TESTAMENT READING

Micah 6:1-8

SERMON

Doing God's Will

David Schell

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Marlene Smith

OFFERTORY "Jesus Wants me For a Sunbeam"
By Nellie Talbot and E. O. Excell,
Arr. Vladimir Slavujevic

Tammy and Abby
Sommer - piano
duet

Prayer of Dedication

Doxology

MORNING PRAYER and THE LORD'S PRAYER

David Schell

HYMN (Screen and Insert)

"What Does the Lord Require of You"

BLESSING AND BENEDICTION

David Schell

BENEDICTION RESPONSE

"Go Now in Peace"

POSTLUDE

Muyu Zou

VIRTUAL SHARING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST & FELLOWSHIP

*Please send messages of peace or make phone calls to loved ones,
especially from this congregation.*