

# FAIRFIELD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

January 31, 2010

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

**Prelude** *Bell Peal on "All Creatures of our God and King"* arr. Lamb  
Fairfield Ringers

### Chiming of the Hour

### Announcements

### Call to Worship

L: Like a moth drawn toward light,  
P: **Like a deer thirsting for water,**  
L: Like the crying child yearning to be held,  
P: **We come to worship.**  
L: Like a beggar asking for bread,  
P: **Like a prayer longing to reach heaven's gate,**  
All: We gather to praise God, the One who knows our every need.

## WE PRAISE GOD TOGETHER

\***Opening Hymn # 2** *O Worship the King All Glorious Above*

### Prayer of Confession

God of the depths, searcher of hearts, you know the tumult of our lives - a busyness that bruises those nearest, a loneliness that claws at the soul, a fearfulness that leads to distrust and cynicism. You know our longing for a more centered life - time for reflection in prayer, gracious and unhurried times with those we love, renewing rest and exercise, growing moments to deepen our faith and witness. Yet we confess we do not submit ourselves to doing these things. We fear the worst and distrust the best, forgetting that You are with us. O Christ, forgive us, we pray, and let your Holy Spirit transform us for your purposes in our daily lives. (*Silent Prayer and Reflection*)

### Assurance of Pardon

Leader: God turns our mourning into dancing and clothes us with joy through Jesus Christ, the Lamb who was slain and by whose blood we were ransomed. So hear and believe the Good News: In Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven!

**People: Thanks be to God!**

### \*Gloria Patri

*"Glory Be to the Father"*

### Time with the Children

Anne Young

(\* After the Children's Message, children ages 4 through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade are welcome to go to Kid's Worship (room # 6).

Younger children may go to our Preschool Nursery)

### Morning Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

### Offering

**Offertory** *Grazioso* Sherman

\***Doxology** *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*

### \*Prayer of Dedication

## WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

**Anthem** *As the Deer* Nystrom-Wagner

### Scripture Lesson

Psalm 42 (Pew Bible p. 515-Old Testament)

**Sermon** "Thirst for the Living God" Rev. Dixie W. Brachlow

## **WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

**Praise Song # 471**

*As the Deer Pants for the Water*

**\*Affirmation of Faith** (insert)

**\*Closing Hymn #436**

*Grace Alone*

**\*Benediction**

**\*Benediction Response**

*Day by Day*

**\*Postlude**

*Praising the Almighty*

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\* Those who are able, please stand.

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