

FAIRFIELD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

April 11, 2010

2nd Sunday of Easter

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude

Were You There

Spiritual arr. Wood

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome & Announcements

Minute for Mission

Call to Worship

L: Let us come, people of God, to know again who we are;

P: We return to the One who gives life, for we long for a closer walk with our Creator.

L: Christ calls us to put aside old ways and to risk our security.

P: We will live by faith rather than by sight.

L: God who has given us life is with us on our journey.

P: We shall dare to trust the promises and the challenges of a life of faith.

L: Let us venture together, daring to feel the winds of God's Spirit.

All: We worship the God who calls us into a new day of hope and joy!

WE PRAISE GOD TOGETHER

***Opening Hymn #312**

Christ Is Alive!

Prayer of Confession

God, we confess that there are many hours when we are not mindful of your presence. We give up the comfort and avoid the challenges that come from your Word and Spirit. You offer springtime to our souls, but we prefer the winter of indifference. We do not take into our souls the new life offered to us. We rejoice that you forgive us, despite our coldness and our difficulty in loving well, despite our forgetfulness and our fears. Forgive us and restore in us the joy of knowing you. Amen. *(Silent prayer and reflection)*

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Friends, in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

***Gloria Patri**

“Glory Be to the Father”

***The Peace**

L: God has also promised us the power to forgive and love one another. Therefore, let us be reconciled with one another and extend to each other the peace of the Lord Jesus Christ.
The peace of Christ be with you.

P: And also with you.

(Extend the peace by these words, shaking hands with one another.)

Time with the Children

Martha Houchins

(* After the Children’s Message, children ages 4 through 2nd grade are welcome to go to Kid’s Worship (room # 6). Infants & younger children may go to our Toddler and Preschool Nurseries.)

Offering

(Please sign and pass the Friendship Pads during this time)

Offertory

We Come as Guests Invited

Hunnicutt

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

***Prayer of Dedication**

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

Scripture Lesson

John 20:19-31

(Pew Bible p. 115-New Testament)

Sermon

“A Living Word”

Rev. Dixie W. Brachlow

***Hymn** #302 (verse 1 only)

He Lives

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

Pastoral Prayer, with the Lord’s Prayer

***Hymn** #695 (verse 1 only)

As We Gather at Your Table

The Lord's Supper (insert)

***Closing Hymn** #695 (verses 2-3)

As We Gather at Your Table

***Benediction**

***Benediction Response**

The Lord Bless You and Keep You

***Postlude**

A Tune for the Trumpet

Fischer

* Those who are able, please stand.

Hearing assistance devices are available for anyone who needs them. Please ask an usher.