

FAIRFIELD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

October 18, 2009

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude

Ever Faithful, Ever Near

Chiming of the Hour

Announcements

Call to Worship

L: I will enter his gates with thanksgiving in my heart.

P: **I will enter his courts with praise.**

L: I will say this is the day that the Lord has made.

All: **I will rejoice for God has made me glad.**

WE PRAISE GOD TOGETHER

*Opening Hymn # 56

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

Special Music

Tree Song

Medema

Youth Choir

Prayer of Confession

O God, whose heart beats within creation, we confess our turning away from you. Generations long before us gave of themselves for the building up of the church in the world, and we so often forget their work and their sacrifice. You give us life and freedom and we have traded it for convenience and greed. You ask us to care for each other, and we have been preoccupied with ourselves and our personal insecurities.

Through your Spirit of loving kindness, forgive us. God, change our hearts. Give us grace enough to follow you in all we do. God of mercy, our hope lies in our belief that what seems impossible for us is possible with you. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Silent Prayer and Reflection

Assurance of Pardon

II Corinthians 5:17

Leader: In Jesus Christ we are accepted, we are loved, we are forgiven.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

*Gloria Patri (#734)

"Glory Be to the Father"

Morning Prayer and the Lord's Prayer (inside cover of hymnbook)

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. Younger children may go to our Preschool Nursery)

*Doxology (#34)

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

*Prayer of Dedication

Offering/Offertory

Anthem

People Need the Lord

arr. Mauldin

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Scripture Lesson

Nehemiah (selected verses)

(Pew Bible p. 430 - Old Testament)

Sermon

Community Building Service - Nehemiah

Anna Tuckwiller

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***Affirmation of Faith** The Apostles' Creed (inside cover of hymnal)

***Closing Hymn # 708** *Go Forth For God*

***Benediction**

***Benediction Response** *Make Me a Servant*

***Postlude** *Praising the Almighty* Broughton

* Those who are able, please stand.

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