

FAIRFIELD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

November 1, 2009

All Saints Day

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude

Sanctuary

Thompson-Scruggs

Chiming of the Hour

Announcements

Call to Worship

L: We gather in the name of God.

P: We gather in the name of the One who is the creator of all that is, who has given us this world and all that is in it, who gave us life and blesses us with seedtime and harvest,

L: Who was present with and to our forbears,

P: Blessing and nurturing them, calling them to be God's people.

All: So let us come with gratitude and joy, for we are God's own people too.

WE PRAISE GOD TOGETHER

***Opening Hymn # 529**

For All the Saints

Prayer of Confession

Holy God, we admit our sins to you. We build our small kingdoms but do not look for your kingdom which is coming. We say the Lord's Prayer, but do not seek to do your will on earth as it is in heaven. Because we see death as the end, we often live as though we have no future, surrendering ourselves to cynicism and despair. Because of our selfish choices, we carry the weight of

our worry and regret.

Forgive us, O God, for failing to live as those who celebrate the risen Christ, the first fruits of those who have died in the faith. Remove the weight of sin and let us lean upon you for all our cares, for You care for us. Set us free to follow you with joyful hearts, we pray. Amen.

Silent Prayer and Reflection

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: In Jesus Christ you 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

Kevin White

(* 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

Lead on Softly, Lord

Posegate

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Scripture Lesson

Esther 4:13-17, 5:1-4

(Pew Bible p. 447 - Old Testament)

Sermon

Esther: Timely Service

Rev. Dixie W. Brachlow

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Remembrance of the Saints

Service of the Lord's Supper (insert)

*Closing Hymn # 515

Hymn of Promise

*Benediction

*Benediction Response

Go Now in Peace

*Postlude

Immortal, Invisible

arr. Smith

* Those who are able, please stand.

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